

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER—21st January 2022

MESSAGE FROM HEADTEACHER

It has been wonderful to hear and witness all of the lovely, creative learning going on in school and across our Federation over the past two weeks. Children and staff seem really focused and I have noticed a real buzz about the environment we are working within.

Teachers will continue to meet with Mr Routh over the next few weeks to support the roll out of our new curriculum. We begin with a focus on all foundation subjects, including History and Geography. This curriculum will build on prior learning of mixed age classes and support children's knowledge and understanding of key topics and concepts. We also understand the importance of reducing staff workload and hope this curriculum will allow staff to plan more effectively for the needs of all children in their class.

Unfortunately, staff absences have been increasing in our schools due to Covid. We have ensured that the children come first, and have worked extremely hard to ensure consistency for children where possible. Thank you for your patience and for continuing to support our small but incredibly dedicated staffing team.

Have a wonderful weekend with your families,

Miss Holly Whyte

SAFEGUARDING

If you are concerned about a child's welfare please contact:

Miss Holly Whyte - Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mr Mathew Atkinson - Deputy Safeguarding Lead

Mr James Routh - Deputy Safeguarding Lead

Anya Walker - Deputy Safeguarding Lead

Ripley 01423 770160, Kettlesing 01423 770576 or Beckwithshaw 01423 504642

CHURCH NEWS

A reminder that it is business as usual: 10.45am service at All Saints' that everyone is welcome to; and Sunday Stars (Sunday School) from 10.30am at Ripley Town Hall. God bless.

Revd. Paul Harford

ATTENDANCE

	Swallows	Robins	Falcons
Week	94.74%	90.76%	97.69%
Year	92.71%	95.74%	92.97%

Each week we publish the attendance from September for each class. Our aspirational target for each class is 97%.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

DATE	EVENT		
WC 31st Jan	Story Telling Week		
4th Feb	Walk to school day		
10th Feb	Bags 2 School		
14th Feb	FORS Valentines bake sale		
14th Feb	Parents Feedback Meeting		
15th Feb	Parent Consultations		
18th Feb	Last day of term		
21st-25th Feb	Half Term		
28th Feb	Staff Training Day.		

Stars of the Week

Falcons - Hugo for 'Share'

Robins - Aoife for 'Aspire'

Swallows - Ellison for 'Share'

House Points

Falcons - Isla 'Ingilby'

Robins - Marcus 'Ingilby'

Swallows - Cuthbert 'Nidd'

House Captains

Brimham - Albert for 'Share'

Ingilby - Joshua for 'Share'

Nidd—Niamh for 'Aspire'

Super Sentence - Reception

Olivia

Spelling Superstars

Kaycie-Jade and Jack

Health and Wellbeing

Harrogate Spring Half Term 2022 Multi Sports Camps & Activity Days

Multi sports & fun activities led by Coach Ciaran and Coach Gunn are hosted at Woodfield Community Primary School (HG1 4HZ) on Monday 21st, Tuesday 22nd, Wednesday 23rd & Thursday 24th February 2022, 9am-4pm with FREE 8am-5pm extended hours open to Reception— Year8 boys & girls at £20 per child.

coachmarkgunn@gmail.com 'Coach Gunn Basketball' 07912 178917

"Strength does not come from what you can do.
It comes from overcoming the things you once thought you couldn't."

- Rikki Rogers

Parental support for Year 6 SATS

This course will provide parents with increased knowledge of SATs content and how you can support your child. During the course you will:

- Learn about SATs test content
- Improve your own ability in key areas of maths
- Learn tips and techniques to better support your child

This course is delivered for 12 hours in weekly online 2 hour sessions. For more information and to book online, visit https://ebsontrackprospect.northyorks.gov.uk/page/findcourse Call our Adult Learning Team on 01609 536066 Email: adultlearningservice@northyorks.gov.uk



LEARNING THIS WEEK



This week Falcons class have shown a real team ethos. They have taken on different roles and have been making comparative timelines as part of their topic on Ancient Egypt. We put the time periods in order, then used our maths skills to calculate a scale so our timelines would fit onto the paper strips. After this, we added timelines for the Stone Age in Britain, and Ancient Greece, to compare what was happening across the known world.

ENERGY SAVING WEEK

This week is Energy Saving week and our children have been thinking about the environment and different ways to save energy. Some of these have been simple changes like turning lights off when you leave a room to the greater benefits of recycling. The children have had great fun designing posters, taking part in Power Down Petes assembly, litter picking and creating energy saving logos to display on their very own bags. Finally it was amazing to see all the crazy, inventive, colourful hair styles today. Well done everyone!



Why not check out our Facebook page for all the photos from this weeks activities and learning.