

drowing together in love and learning

Your fortnightly note from your Headteacher ...

A very busy final fortnight of this half term. Last week we marked Safer Internet Day along the theme of 'All fun and games?' and Mental Health week.

This week Years 5 and 6 across the Federation have thoroughly enjoyed their residential at East Barnby, despite a week of very variable weather! From beck scrambling, orienteering and hiking to skiing, mountain biking, rock pools and fossil hunting! Not to mention the team building, independence and resilience that all children have shown and improved upon throughout the week. A memorable week for all and a huge thank you to all staff that accompanied the children.













Byland children have been learning about the famous fossil hunter Mary Anning. They have been exploring the feature of a non-fiction text in English and then made their own class information book about Dinosaurs. In maths they have learnt how to represent numbers to 50 using different apparatus, the Reception children have thought about odd/even and doubles to 10. For Mental health a wellbeing week they each made a positivity tree and learnt a dance to show how they are proud of themselves and their individual talents.









Fountains children have been busy doing Internet Safety activities, enjoying hot chocolate and marshmallows in Forest School and focusing on Children's Mental Health Week activities. They have been thinking of positive things to say about themselves and made their very own 'Positivity Tree' which is on display in their class reflection area. This week, they have been painting their Roman shields, finding the names of Roman towns on a map and learning about the Five Pillars of Islam.





Bolton children enjoyed lots of activities focused on Children's Mental Health Week. They cared for a plant for the week and thought carefully about how humans too, can bloom like flowers with the right environment and support from others. To mark this week, they created two beautiful class displays which were contributed to by the whole class. In their science sessions, they have continued learning about Earth and Space and have enjoyed looking at the time zones across the globe. They even used a sun dial to help explain the movements of our solar system- watch out Professor Brian Cox! To mark February 14th, Bolton have been writing poetry and letters, baking cookies and creating art!







Rievaulx have been outside looking at the beck in Sessay last week in Forest Schools. For Mental Health week they enjoyed dancing and finding out what it is like to move out of their 'comfort zone.' They enjoyed working as a team and having lots of fun. They continue to enjoy their class text Kensuke's Kingdom and have started to create a character that might inhabit the island in the story.

Friday 11 February Awards

Byland, Mrs Bennison.

Squirrel Award - Rosie for her super explanation on how we are all unique and different.

Fountains, Mrs Sowray.

Squirrel Award - Aletta for her super attitude towards her work and quizzes this week and for making me laugh!

Headteacher's sticker - Ella-Rose for having super behaviour for learning this week!

Mathlete - Stanley for having a great understanding of odds and evens, using socks on our washing line. Handwriter of the week - Fran for super formation of her letters and trying hard to sit them on the line.

Headteacher's sticker - Farrah for some great work on Internet Safety; the importance of keeping information private or public.

Mathlete - Betsy for her fantastic perseverance with the Arithmetic, you showed perseverance, well done! Handwriter of the week – Joshua for his consistent effort with the presentation of his work, especially in RE this week. Your work is a pleasure to read and mark.

Bolton, Miss Southward.

Squirrel Award - Dexter for asking some super questions to support his learning in our Science topic Earth and Space

Headteacher's sticker - Ava for all her kind words of encouragement to her classmates.

Mathlete - Joey for showing off all his excellent progress in maths during our maths quiz this week. Handwriter of the week –Scarlett for presenting her work beautifully across all areas of the curriculum

Rievaulx, Ms Gauder.

Squirrel Award - Danny for some great dancing and ideas about how to be resilient.

Headteacher's sticker - William for his great attitude and skill in Mr Shimwell's PE lessons.

Mathlete - Angus for his good understanding of percentages and application in the tests this week. Handwriter of the week –Honesty for her consistently neat writing across the whole curriculum.

Friday 18 February Awards

Byland, Mrs Tyrka and Mrs Bennison.

Squirrel Award - Isabel for her super work in science explaining why different materials are suitable for different objects.

Headteacher's sticker - Cameron for putting his hand up and having a go at answering questions.

Mathlete - Elkie for her great work with counting, reading and writing numbers.

Handwriter of the week –Obi for working really hard with his letter formation in phonics.

Fountains, Mrs Sowray.

Squirrel Award - Ellie H for persevering with her 2D shape work this week, drawing hexagons is tricky! Headteacher's sticker - Imogen for super concentration when she was painting her Roman shield – well done! Mathlete - Lola for continuing to get 60/60 in Times Table Rockstars.

Handwriter of the week – Isla C for her presentation in RE; her work on the Five pillars of Islam.

Bolton, Miss Southward.

Squirrel Award – Matthew for being an excellent role model to all whilst he has been one of the oldest children in school this week!

Headteacher's sticker – Rocco for impressing all of Class Bolton with his creativity this week whilst designing a poster to represent one of our Christian values.

Mathlete – Ella who has been super accurate in her formal written methods in maths.

Handwriter of the week – Faith for a beautiful informal letter written in cursive handwriting.

Years 5 and 6. Mrs Watson, Ms Gauder and Miss Southward.

All the children and staff for being amazing all week at East Barnby. Everyone has challenged themselves and achieved in so many different ways. We are so proud of each and every one of you. Well done to all!

This afternoon we would like to warmly invite you to join us for our Friday celebration Assembly at St Cuthbert's. We politely ask all adults to wear masks.

Have a lovely half term and we look forward to seeing the children back in school on Tuesday 1st March.

NOTICES:

- Sports after school clubs next half term. Mrs Waite will send out letters on the first day back.
 Mr Houchen's Wednesday football club will also be open to the Year 2 children after half term.
 Netball club for years 4, 5 and 6 will be starting every Thursday until 4.15pm.
 Mr Shimwell Years 3-6 multisports club till 4.15pm every Thursday (please sign up with Mr Shimwell directly).
- We would like to remind all Byland parents that after half term Mrs Tyrka is reducing her hours. She will
 continue to be Byland Class teacher Monday and Tuesday alongside Mrs Bennison Wednesday, Thursday

and Friday. Mrs Tyrka will continue to be senior teacher Monday and Tuesday and Mrs Sowray Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Friday 18 February	Year 5 and 6 children return from East Barnby residential. Break up for half term normal time after Celebration assembly at St Cuthbert's at 2.30pm. Parents warmly invited; we politely ask that adults wear masks indoors.
Monday 28 February	Training Day
Tuesday 1 March	Children back to school for Spring Term 2 (Red Noses on sale this week £1.50)
7-11 March	International curriculum enrichment week
18 March	Science Day Red Nose Day 2022
28 April	New Young Voices date, further details to follow after half term.