



## Fortnightly Newsletter

### A note from your headteacher ...

It certainly has been another busy fortnight.

Last week we had our postponed Sports Afternoon which was very much enjoyed by all and the sun was shining! A perfect end to our Health and Sports week 2022.



Our 'Seaside' themed Summer Fair was fantastic. The classes put on some fabulous stalls and games which the children loved. We raised an amazing £850! Thank you to everyone for your support and a special thanks to FOSS for doing refreshments and Spilman's for donating their amazing local strawberries!



The first ever Sessay Dog Show last Sunday raised over £300! From an agility course to 'The Best In Show', it was rosettes, wagging tails and very happy young handlers all round. A huge thank you to Mrs Waite for organising these events.

All our children have had transition with their new classes and teachers this week in preparation for September. The children are all ready to move up to their next year group and the purpose of transition is to support that move and change.

A huge thankyou to Sessay Songbirds, Sessay musicians, Mrs Pollard and Mrs Day for a fabulous 'Summer Serenade Concert' at the village hall on Tuesday. It was a full house with many Sessay families old and new, the event was very much enjoyed by all.





Years 3 and 4 have had an amazing residential at Carlton Lodge this week. A huge thank you to Miss Southward, Mr Houghton and Mrs Day for accompanying the children. From high ropes and archery to kayaking and raft building, all the children have risen to the challenges set and had so much fun!





## Your fortnightly class summary from...

### Byland, Mrs Tyrka and Mrs Bennison.

In topic work we have been busy designing and making seaside scenes in a shoebox. We thought about which features and animals we could include in our seaside scenes and then made them using a variety of different resources. In English, we have written stories set at the seaside using our own characters. We made sure our stories had a beginning, a middle part with a problem, and an ending. The children then read them out to the rest of the class. Last Tuesday, our new Reception children enjoyed their Teddy Bear's picnic in the sunshine – it was lovely to meet them all! They all then came back for their transition days and to meet the current Reception children. The Year 1s visited their new classroom to spend the morning with Mrs Sowray which they all thoroughly enjoyed.



### Fountains, Mrs Sowray.



We have had a busy week painting rainforest creatures, lots of practical maths activities, observing our beans and plants growing in science and writing our own stories based on our class text - 'The Great Kapok Tree'. The Year 3 children were VERY excited to be going to Carlton Lodge for two nights and it has been lovely to meet the new children who will be joining Fountains class in September.

### Bolton, Miss Southward.



It's been a busy couple of weeks in class Bolton. The children have finished their class text Beowulf which has inspired their own myths in the style of comic strips. In maths the children have been problem solving, using all their learning from over the year. The children have been learning all about Viking Gods and goddesses and have been fascinated by all the myths about their adventures.

The children had amazing seaside costumes on enjoyed the Summer Fair on Friday after school. A highlight this week was learning all about the French calendar with Mrs Watson this week. The children really enjoyed their morning in class Rievaux and are already feeling super excited about moving into Y5/6 in September.

The Y4's have really enjoyed Carlton Lodge this week and took part in lots of activities including kayaking, orienteering and high ropes. It was great to see the children build confidence and work as a team.



**Rievaulx, Mrs Watson and Ms Gauder.**

Cinderella End of Year Production.



All of the Year 6 children were amazing stars in their end of year production of Cinderella. We performed to the whole school on the afternoon and then to parents, grandparents, family and friends in the evening- in glorious sunshine! This week many of the children have been out at Thirk for their transition week so the 4 remaining children have been writing memories about their time at Sessay. They have also enjoyed using the laptops, keeping active to Just dance, setting up the rounders game, helping in the younger classes and supporting the Year 5s in their RSE lessons.

**Friday 8 July no celebration assembly due to Summer Fair  
Friday 15 July Awards**

**Byland, Mrs Tyrka and Mrs Bennison.**  
Squirrel Award – Stanley for working really hard with his reading.  
Headteacher’s sticker – Isabel for her super attitude in all areas of the curriculum.  
Mathlete – Denver for his fantastic work ordering numbers this week.  
Handwriter of the week – Alfie for working hard to extend his sentences and for his lovely, neat writing.

**Fountains, Mrs Sowray.**  
Squirrel Award – Edward for his fantastic determination and bravery on the ‘leap of faith’ at Carlton Lodge this week  
Headteacher’s sticker - Niamh for some wonderful encouragement on the high ropes yesterday, some children would have struggled without her kind support.  
Mathlete – Henry for some really, accurate calculations in maths this week.  
Handwriter of the week - Imogen for her presentation of her animal research report on a lemur in the rainforest.

**Bolton, Miss Southward.**  
Squirrel Award – Esme- for impressing us with her super coding skills  
Headteacher’s sticker - Attilia for her sensible attitude whilst in Rievaulx and for sharing her opinions in our discussions.  
Mathlete – Adele- for super discussion all about our problem solving questions  
Handwriter of the week - Matthew- for making a huge effort I've the last week to improve his handwriting

**Rievaulx, Mrs Watson and Ms Gauder.**  
Sticker– William for his great attitude this week and for organising the rounders.  
Sticker - Luca, sensible attitude and great role model in the Just dance sessions.  
Sticker- Zara for her thoughtful poem based on her memories of her time at Sessay.  
Sticker- Angus for great leadership skills in PE this week.

Everyone is warmly welcome to our **Friday Celebration assembly** this afternoon at 2.45pm at St Cuthbert’s. Have a fabulous weekend.

## NOTICES:

- **Extreme heat ‘Amber’ weather warnings have been given for Monday and Tuesday.** Please make sure your child has a hat and water bottle in school (you could freeze this overnight to ensure it remains cool). Please apply sunscreen before school and send it into school for your child to reapply themselves at lunchtime if appropriate. The children need to be wearing loose, light coloured cotton clothing, tshirt and shorts will be acceptable on Monday and Tuesday. **WE WILL ENCOURAGE THE CHILDREN TO DRINK EVEN MORE WATER THAN USUAL, WEAR HATS OUTSIDE AND NOT BE OUT FOR LONG PERIODS OF TIME. WE WILL NOT DO ANY VIGOROUS PHYSICAL ACTIVITY.**
- Temperatures are meant to be much cooler (maybe even a shower) for our seaside trip on Wednesday. Your child will need the following:  
Sensible non-uniform but a SCHOOL SWEATER must be worn for ease of recognition. All children should have a sunhat, waterproof coat and sensible footwear. Small towel for drying feet (named please), morning snack, packed lunch and drinks (at least 2 drinks are needed). Please make sure you put suncream on your child before they arrive at school. **ALL SHOULD BE PACKED IN A SMALL RUCKSACK YOUR CHILD CAN WEAR ON THEIR BACK SO THEIR HANDS ARE FREE.**
- End of year parent questionnaire – an end of year online Google form parent questionnaire will be emailed out before the end of term. We would be extremely grateful if you would complete the quick, no longer than 10-minute statement choice questionnaire, as your views and feedback supports us in all areas of further school and Federation improvement. We thank you for your time.
- As you know on Sunday 17 July it is the ‘Hustwaite Rat Race’ An exciting obstacle course event for the families of The Hustwaite and Sessay CE Primary Federation and other daring, athletic and fun loving local young people to be held on the Newburgh Priory Estate. Children of Sessay school partaking will be in the 11am Sessay School wave on the day.



Do visit The Hustwaite Rat Race Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/s/hustwaite-rat-race/365178985558760/>

- We would like to inform you there will be a School Dinner Price Increase as of Autumn term 2022. School continues to subsidise school dinners, but with increasing costs from catering, dinners will be £2.70 in September.
- Thirsk Community Library are once again running a ‘Summer Reading Challenge 2022’. Where they challenge all primary school children to read 6 books over the holidays! This year’s theme is ‘Gadgeteers’ – science is all around us.
- **DIARY DATES:**

17 July	Hustwaite Rat Race Public Family Event – Newburgh Priory Estate. Sessay wave 11am.
18 July	Reports Out (email) Year 6 Camp over at Hustwaite (details to be confirmed Monday am)
20 July	Federation Seaside Trip
22 July	Leaver’s Assembly at St Cuthbert’s parents invited 1.30pm