



## Sessay CE Primary School Newsletter

### Your fortnightly note from your Headteacher...

Another extremely busy fortnight. Last week everyone thoroughly enjoyed Sports, Health and Wellbeing week. Highlights definitely included skateboarding, cycling and lacrosse! Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Sports Day afternoon, we were very lucky that the sun was shining and as always it was an event enjoyed by all.



Currently our Year 3 children are on their Carlton Lodge residential and enjoying every minute. Many new experiences have been had, the children have challenged themselves, often outside their comfort zone, they have shown independence and most importantly lots of fun has been had by all! A huge thank you to Mr Houghton and Mrs Day who have accompanied the children.



We are really proud to announce that we have been awarded the North Yorkshire Healthy Schools Bronze award for our Federation PSHE curriculum this term. A huge thankyou to Mrs Jackson at Husthwaite, our Federation PSHE curriculum leader and well done to everyone - we will be going for silver next academic year!

Yesterday Rievaulx performed their end of year production 'Jack and the Beanstalk' to the whole school and then parents in the evening. The acting and singing was absolutely amazing, and it was very much enjoyed by all.



### Your class summary from...

#### Byland, Mrs Tyrka and Mrs Bennison.



We have been very busy in Byland over the last couple of weeks; we have learnt about a famous artist LS Lowry; we created our very own 'seaside' pictures in his style using water colours. During sports week last week the children created their own 'sports person' and dressed them in kits relating to their favourite sport. In RE we have read the story 'Jonah and the Whale' and 'Noah and the Flood' we created whales from wooden pegs. In maths we have been learning about money and time which all the children have really enjoyed!

#### Fountains, Mrs Sowray.



We've had another busy couple of weeks; Mrs Price's son came in and gave us a drumming workshop that helped us with some of our musical composition. We had our first visit from Conker, the therapy dog, some of the children had the chance to read to him and Robin. In science we have been testing magnets to see if they work from a distance and the children designed ponds and used magnets to move a paper clip fish around! We started the week going back in time with our Victorian Day; a very strict morning of work and drill and Victorian crafts in the afternoon. It was lovely to see the children playing Victorian games at morning break. It's been a very quiet end to the week as our Year 3's are on their residential at Carlton Lodge.

#### Bolton, Miss Southward

An action-packed fortnight for Bolton, the class absolutely loved sports curriculum week last week. They all got to try something new, build teamwork skills and of course get stuck into some sports! This week the children have been discussing our community and have taken part in a 'Thirsk Council Meeting' led by town mayor Miss Southward. In maths, we have enjoyed lots of different activities to embed what we have learned throughout the year. Our favourite was finding different types of angles and lines outside in the school grounds! Some were much

harder than others so we resorted to making shapes with children! In topic we have been looking at the human and physical features of coastal towns. We have loved even more! sports this week and been enjoying rounders and some lacrosse with Mr Shimwell.



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

A huge WELL DONE to the whole of Rievaulx for their fantastic performance of Jack and the Beanstalk last night; there was fabulous acting and singing all round. The last few weeks have been busy rehearsing for the play and making props, some of the year 6s have also been enjoying transition events at their secondary schools. In English we have been writing our adventure stories, with a sci-fi twist; some really ambitious, well-written stories have been produced. In maths the children have been refining their knowledge and understanding of decimals. Our French lessons have been focused on packing suitcases for a holiday, considering items we would pack, and giving reasons for doing so.

**Friday 30 June Awards**

<p><b>Byland, Mrs Tyrka and Mrs Bennison.</b>          Team Spirit - TEAMWORK: Fran          True Sportsman - HONESTY: Teddy          Tried Hardest - DETERMINATION: Dylan          Giving 100% - PASSION: Emily          In It To Win It – SELF BELIEF: Charlie          Awesome Athlete – RESPECT: Poppie</p>	<p><b>Fountains, Mrs Sowray.</b>          Team Spirit - TEAMWORK: Harriet          True Sportsman - HONESTY: Billy          Tried Hardest - DETERMINATION: Alfie          Giving 100% - PASSION: Cora          In It To Win It – SELF BELIEF: William N          Awesome Athlete – RESPECT: Paisley</p>
<p><b>Bolton, Miss Southward.</b>          Team Spirit TEAMWORK: Niamh          True Sportsman - HONESTY: Edward          Tried Hardest - DETERMINATION: Olivia          Giving 100% - PASSION: Alfie          In It To Win It – SELF BELIEF: Max          Awesome Athlete – RESPECT: Joshua</p>	<p><b>Rievaulx, Mrs Watson and Ms Gauder.</b>          Team Spirit TEAMWORK: Primrose          True Sportsman - HONESTY: Elliott          Tried Hardest - DETERMINATION: Ava          Giving 100% - PASSION: Connor          In It To Win It – SELF BELIEF: Noah          Awesome Athlete – RESPECT: Katie</p>

**Friday 7 July Awards**

<p><b>Byland, Mrs Tyrka and Mrs Bennison.</b>          Sessay Acorn Award – Emily for trying really hard in all areas of school life!          Headteacher’s stickers – Poppie for her super confident reading this week.          Wilfred for helping to look after our new starters at our Stay and Play session.          Mathlete – Cameron for excellent understanding of money and making amounts in different ways.          Writer of the week – Ebony for a beautiful piece of writing about Lowry.</p>	<p><b>Fountains, Mrs Sowray.</b>          Sessay Acorn Award – Paisley Gaiter a great PE session this week.          Headteacher’s sticker – All Year 3 children for tackling all the challenges presented to them and showing great teamwork during their residential at Carlton Lodge. Many children stepped out of their comfort zone and all have been an absolute pleasure to be with. We are very proud of each and every one of you.          Mathlete – Zoe for trying really hard with her work on time this week, keep up the good work!          Writer of the week – Connie for super writing as a Victorian school child.</p>
<p><b>Bolton, Miss Southward.</b>          Sessay Acorn Award – Max, Emily and Eliza, you all really stood out this week in PE- great teamwork skills.          Headteacher’s sticker- Alfie for super effort this week across the curriculum.</p>	<p><b>Rievaulx, Mrs Watson and Ms Gauder.</b>          Sessay Acorn Award – Matthew for his positive attitude towards all lessons this week.          Headteacher’s sticker – Roman and Scarlett for great paired work in French this week          Mathlete – Esme, for great work on decimals this week.</p>

Mathlete – Brady for a super score in his maths reasoning quiz this week! Writer of the week – Isla H, for writing and sharing her ideas during our ‘Town Council Meeting’.	Writer of the week – Aida for thorough and well-thought out editing of her story.
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This afternoon you are warmly welcome to **Friday Celebration assembly** in St. Cuthbert’s at 2.45pm, this half term hosted by Mrs Watson.

Have a lovely weekend.

**NOTICES:**

- **Classes, teachers and support staff for 2023-24.** As you know next year, we will have 4 classes split into an EYFS & KS1 block and a KS2 block. Parent transition meetings that are still to take place are as follows:

CLASS SPLIT	PARENT TRANSITION MEETING	CLASS TEACHER	SUPPORT STAFF
<b>Fountains</b> Years 1 & 2	<b>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July</b> Topic: Fountains Transition Meeting Time: Jul 13, 2023 05:00 PM London Join Zoom Meeting <a href="https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72670701437?pwd=LpChJQ7sKFQgghCMjdE5ZgX8ClmKs.1">https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72670701437?pwd=LpChJQ7sKFQgghCMjdE5ZgX8ClmKs.1</a>  Meeting ID: 726 7070 1437 Passcode: Gj9wBm	<b>Mrs Jackson</b>	EYFS & KS1 Mrs Woodhead Mrs Day Mrs Gambles New TA
<b>Rievaulx</b> Years 5 & 6	<b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July</b> Topic: Rievaulx Transition Meeting Time: Jul 12, 2023 05:00 PM London Join Zoom Meeting <a href="https://us05web.zoom.us/j/89318106823?pwd=dksrbUNPdXVkn2RVSONNzm0xcU00UT09">https://us05web.zoom.us/j/89318106823?pwd=dksrbUNPdXVkn2RVSONNzm0xcU00UT09</a>  Meeting ID: 893 1810 6823 Passcode: x38Eze	<b>Ms Gauder and Mrs Watson (Senior teacher)</b>	<b>Mrs Bastow</b> <b>Mrs Gale</b>

- **School dinners** We would like to inform you that in September school dinner price will increase to £3.00. This academic year we have done everything possible to avoid this, but due to circumstances beyond our control and not being able to change providers we are left with no choice. School already heavily subsidises this and even with the increase will still be subsidising over 50p per meal per day. It is essential that we continue to offer a hot option and choice each day and it is with great regret that we have to increase the price.
- **WE HAVE A GOVERNOR VACANCY – DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND BECOME A GOVERNOR AT THE HUSTHWAITE AND SESSAY CE PRIMARY FEDERATION**  
MAKE A POSITIVE CONTRIBUTION TO YOUR COMMUNITY.  
DEVELOP YOUR OWN PROFESSIONAL SKILLS.  
HELP SHAPE EXPERIENCES FOR THE NEXT GENERATION.  
Federation governors are volunteers who work with the leadership team to provide vital support and direction. They help set the strategic vision, oversee the budget and supportively challenge the federation leadership team.  
No in-depth knowledge of the education system is needed, you bring with you skills and workplace knowledge that will help positively impact young lives. For more details contact Mrs Waite or Miss Bennett.

**DIARY DATES:**

13 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole School transition morning
14 <sup>th</sup> July	End of academic year reports Summer Fair 3-4pm
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Federation Art Enrichment Day
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Sessay Summer FOSS Fest. 5.30 – 7pm
21 <sup>st</sup> July	1.30pm Leaver’s Service at St Cuthbert’s
21 <sup>st</sup> July	2.30pm school closes

There is now a parent diary on our website—<http://sessay.n-yorks.sch.uk/home/calendar/>?