



CE Primary School 'Growing together in love and learning'

Sessay CE Primary School Newsletter

Your fortnightly note from your Headteacher...

Thank you to all who attended a very successful **FOSS** (Friends of Sessay School) meeting last week. It was lovely warmly inviting some new Sessay parents. Look out for lots of exciting and favourite events in the diary this academic year!

Thank you to everyone who baked for our **MACMILLAN** fundraising event on 29th September. We raised an amazing £173.21 and all enjoyed eating a playtime cake, wearing green and supporting a charity very close to all our hearts...



Last week we held a 'European Languages Curriculum Enrichment Day'. The children thoroughly enjoyed our visiting theatre workshop, most of which was in French! Everyone learnt how to say hello in a record number of different languages and it was lovely to see the children enjoying learning and experiencing so many different cultures all in one day!



This week all the children had a special 'Fun at the Fair' themed lunch. Yesterday we held our Harvest Festival at St Cuthbert's Church with Rev David. Thank you so much to those of you that joined us. As always it was lovely to see all the children contribute and celebrate Harvest. A huge thank you to everyone's generous food donations. As you know we are supporting our local foodbank in Thirsk 'Community Matters' who are very grateful for all your donations.





Your fortnightly class summary from ...

Byland, Mrs Tyrka and Mrs Bennison.

Another busy fortnight in Byland! We enjoyed learning how to say 'Hello' in different languages and making flags for the different countries to celebrate European Languages Day. In our topic, we have been learning about our different emotions and enjoyed making our 'pancake' faces. We have talked about our different senses and have tasted different foods to work out which were sweet, sour, bitter and salty. In maths we have been learning all about size, and we have used the weighing scales to see which objects are lighter and which are heavier. In PE we have been practising our throwing and catching skills. On Thursday we all enjoyed showing some new friends around our classroom at our first Stay and Play session.



Fountains, Mrs Jackson.

The children thoroughly enjoyed learning 'Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes' in French as part of European Day of Languages. They also drew their families and labelled them with the correct French words. This week was Fountains turn to read with Conker our pet therapy dog, which is a special time for all the children. In maths the year 1 children have been learning the symbols of greater than, less than and equal to, while year 2 have been estimating numbers on a number line to 100. In science everyone tasted foods that were sweet, sour salty and bitter, identifying which was which.



Bolton, Mrs Sowray and Miss Wilkie.

In RE, the children have made some fabulous Creation Story collages and re-told the story of Adam and Eve being tempted in the Garden of Eden. We were lucky to have Tinker in to read with us last week. The children enjoyed her company and shared their stories with her.

Spelling Shed has proved a massive 'hit' with the children over the last couple of weeks; they are enjoying the challenges set both at home and school – the test scores were FANTASTIC this week!
 Bolton had an extremely busy European Languages Day! We packed so many different aspects of learning into our day and had great fun along the way. Miss Wilkie and Mrs Marshall were very impressed with the imagination, enthusiasm and perseverance of you all.



Rievaulx, Ms Gauder and Mrs Watson.

We have enjoyed reading several books this last week inspired by Black History month. Whilst reading the biography of Jesse Owens, we have been able to highlight the features to include in our own writing. We enjoyed looking at a book written by Floella Benjamin who we found out came to England as part of the Windrush generation. In art we have continued with our paintings inspired by Mayan artefacts and images of things that are special to us, and in PE we have been practising our rugby skills, developing passing and running with the ball. For European Day of Languages we worked in groups to research a European nation and create a fact file including key phrases used in each nation's language.



Friday 29 September Awards

Byland, Mrs Tyrka and Mrs Bennison.

Sessay Acorn Award – Martha for her super listening on the carpet and for her great singing this week.
 Headteacher's sticker – Gege for trying so hard with her phonics this week.
 Mathlete – James for his fabulous counting and comparing groups using more than, less than and equal to.
 Writer of the week – Finlay for working hard with forming the letters in his name accurately.

Fountains, Mrs Jackson.

Sessay Acorn Award – Fran for always working hard and trying her best.
 Headteacher's sticker – Poppie for her creativity making her wooden spoon puppet.
 Mathlete – Leila for her hard work partitioning numbers to 100 in different ways.
 Writer of the week – Cameron for working hard using conjunctions in his writing.

Bolton, Mrs Sowray and Miss Wilkie.

Rievaulx, Ms Gauder and Mrs Watson.

Sessay Acorn Award – Dexter for a super week. He has put in so much effort to help move his learning on.

<p>Sessay Acorn Award – Zoe for trying so hard with ALL her work this week, we have been so impressed, keep it up!</p> <p>Headteacher’s sticker – Mia, we welcome you into Bolton and hope you’ll be very happy at Sessay School.</p> <p>Mathlete – Henry for persevering and not giving up with his work on number lines this week.</p> <p>Writer of the week – Cora for working hard and using prepositions in her writing.</p>	<p>Headteacher’s sticker – Esme for her determination at quicksticks hockey yesterday, well done.</p> <p>Mathlete – Max for his great work rounding within 1,000,000.</p> <p>Writer of the week – Olivia for her enthusiasm when writing a chapter for a story we have been reading.</p>
<p>Mrs Tyrka and Mrs Watson’s Superstars. Frankie for being such a thoughtful friend when someone was hurt.</p>	

Friday 6 October Awards	
<p>Byland, Mrs Tyrka and Mrs Bennison.</p> <p>Sessay Acorn Award – Marnie for her super attitude to her learning and for her fabulous work in maths, finding out which objects are heavy and which are light.</p> <p>Headteacher’s sticker – Joseph for being a good friend and looking after our children who came to Stay and Play.</p> <p>Mathlete – Ted for his super work using the scales to weigh different objects.</p> <p>Writer of the week –Daisy for trying really hard with forming her letters.</p>	<p>Fountains, Mrs Jackson.</p> <p>Sessay Acorn Award – Esme for really working hard in everything this week, keeping on trying and not giving up!</p> <p>Headteacher’s sticker – Elkie for acting on her targets and trying to improve her work.</p> <p>Mathlete – Teddy for persevering when he thought he couldn’t do it! (Estimating numbers up to 100) You were brilliant!</p> <p>Writer of the week – Emily T for amazing progress in using her phonics to write sentences.</p>
<p>Bolton, Mrs Sowray and Miss Wilkie.</p> <p>Sessay Acorn Award – Jack J AND Jack Midgley for immersing themselves in every task and challenge during European Languages Day.</p> <p>Headteacher’s sticker – William A for consistently being polite and helpful.</p> <p>Mathlete – Denver for his work with numbers up to 10,000!</p> <p>Writer of the week – Farrah for her re-telling of the story of Adam and Eve.</p>	<p>Rievaulx, Ms Gauder and Mrs Watson.</p> <p>Sessay Acorn Award – Rocco for his excellent use of watercolour and detailed design in art.</p> <p>Headteacher’s sticker – Alfie for his great sportsmanship in rugby and for trying his best.</p> <p>Mathlete – Betsy for her work on addition this week, great problem solving and checking of her work.</p> <p>Writer of the week – Matthew for his understanding of how an author uses figurative language.</p>
<p>Mrs Tyrka and Mrs Watson’s Superstars. Some superstar spellers in Bolton this week. Well done to Paisley, Billy and William A who are getting full marks on their weekly spelling test. It is great to see so many of Bolton going on Spelling Shed at home.</p>	

This afternoon you are warmly welcome to **Friday Celebration assembly** at St Cuthbert’s Church at 2.45pm, this half term hosted by myself.

Have a great weekend.

NOTICES:

- **‘Life Skills’ whole school curriculum enrichment day – 14th November.** Any parents who would be willing to spare half an hour and come in to speak about your job would be very welcome as part of our career aspirations work. Please let the school office know if you would be willing to support our learning in school and with which class.
- **Mild Illnesses and Infectious Diseases.** The DfE and NHS have asked us to signpost parents to the published guidance to support parents in identifying and knowing when and when not to send your child school.
<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

DIARY DATES:

9 October	School individual photographs
10 & 12 October	Parents evenings
18 October	Y5/6 Federation football match
25 October	Y5/6 trip to The Life Centre, Newcastle.
26 October	FOSS Pumpkin Carving Competition 3.15PM SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR HALF TERM
27 October	TRAINING DAY SCHOOL CLOSED
31 October	NYC Year 6 deadline to apply for secondary school
6 November	8.45AM SCHOOL OPENS
9 November	Stay and Play – Remembrance Day Poppies
14 November	Life Skills whole school curriculum enrichment day
15 November	Years 5 and 6 Crucial Crew visit, working with our local emergency services.
18 November	Sessay CE Primary School open day 10-11am
22 November	Bags2School
23 November	FOSS Disco
29 November	Year 6 KS2 SAT's Parent Information Evening (Zoom 5pm)
7 December	Stay and Play – Christmas
8 December	Sessay School Christmas Fair/Market