



## A fortnightly newsletter from your headteacher...

Another busy fortnight of the final half term.

Firstly, thank you to everyone for selling, buying and contributing to our Summer Raffle. We have raised an amazing £496 - a BIG THANKYOU to everyone.

Secondly, a huge thank you to Mr Houghton and all parents that helped clear the wildlife and pond area last weekend. A huge improvement and now all is accessible for Forest School sessions. THANKYOU.

Byland had a visit from Storm the guide dog last week. The children were impressed at seeing him in action and that he knows his right and left! A huge thank you to Mr and Mrs Midgley for organising this to support our learning. Byland also had Mrs Price and her family in to talk about their brass instruments. They explained what they were all called and how they worked, and we all enjoyed listening to them play a selection of tunes. This week the children enjoyed learning about foods from different continents. They made their own pizzas and sushi! Mrs Sanderson was very impressed that they could locate Japan on a map!



In Science Fountains have been busy finding transparent, translucent and opaque objects in the classroom and they've been making and testing their very own shadow puppets. In Forest Schools, they have enjoyed building paper bridges and testing them to see if they could hold a 500g weight - all were successful! In R.E. they have designed some posters about the different things that happen in St. Cuthbert's church.





Bolton have been writing persuasive letters in English. In maths, they have been challenging themselves with a variety of problem-solving questions. They have finished off their Science topic by using their knowledge of light and shadows to create a shadow puppet show. As part of our PSHE we have been thinking about the changes we experience in life and in the world and how important change is. We celebrated England's incredible performances in the Euros by researching the different countries that took part.



Rievaulx have been busy practising their performance 'Glastonbury Through The Ages' and really enjoyed making all their own props! Thankfully they did get to perform to Fountains and Bolton bubbles who absolutely loved it. All the staff were singing along! In English they even wrote persuasive letters to convince Spilman's farm to host a festival! They are also enjoying writing memories of their time at Sessay,

### Friday 9 July Awards

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

Squirrel Award – Isabel for her independent work creating a new gingerbread girl character.  
 Headteacher's sticker – Dylan for his super mark making. Dylan drew his family and then named everyone including Zeus the dog.  
 Mathlete – Billy for his great work with place value.  
 Handwriter of the week – Jack Johnson for really thinking about how he can extend his sentences using different connectives.

#### **Bolton, Miss Southward.**

Squirrel Award – Connor, Matthew and Elliott for showing good sportsmanship when playing football at lunchtimes.  
 Headteacher's sticker – Joey for being such a good friend who always cheers everybody up!  
 Mathlete – Harry, Arthur and Adele for superb work on fractions! You are whizzes!

#### **Fountains, Mrs Sowray.**

Squirrel Award – Emily for designing a super pair of UV sunglasses to protect her eyes from the sun.  
 Headteacher's sticker – Chloe for working sensibly with a partner in science this week.  
 Mathlete – Olivia for some accurate work addition and subtraction; great presentation too.  
 Handwriter of the week – Alfie for trying incredibly hard with his handwriting – well done.

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

Squirrel Award – Freddie for being super helpful and sensible during the performance and making the props.  
 Headteacher's sticker – Angus, for a great effort with learning spellings.  
 Mathlete – Danny for persevering with his work on angles.  
 Handwriter of the week – Robert for trying hard with his joined writing and overall presentation.

Handwriter of the week –Matthew, Imogen and Dexter for beautiful stories inspired by our class book	
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### Friday 16 July Awards

<p><b>Byland, Mrs Tyrka and Mrs Bennison.</b> Squirrel Award – Ella-Rose for her super attitude to learning and for being a lovely friend. Headteacher’s sticker – William Atkinson and Isabel for their super Gingerbread Man stories written independently. Mathlete – Oliver for his great work finding different ways to make 8 using numicon. Handwriter of the week – Harriet for her Gingerbread Man wanted poster. Harriet used some super adjectives and her writing was beautiful.</p>	<p><b>Fountains, Mrs Sowray.</b> Squirrel Award – Joshua for his enthusiasm with his reading, he has made so much progress and he is enjoying reading a variety of books. Headteacher’s sticker – Max for an interesting piece of homework on the Olympic event - fencing. Mathlete – Isla C for some great multiplication problem solving this week. Handwriter of the week – Betsy for working hard to answer questions about Tokyo.</p>
<p><b>Bolton, Miss Southward.</b> Squirrel Award – Imogen and Abby for their excellent work when researching the countries of France and Belgium. Headteacher’s sticker – Elliott and Sam for being so helpful You have both been a big help keeping our classroom organised! Mathlete – Rocco and Eva for excellent problem solving skills in maths. Well done for challenging yourselves! Handwriter of the week – Roman and Joey for their beautiful letter writing this week.</p>	<p><b>Rievaulx, Mrs Watson and Ms Gauder.</b> Squirrel Award – Luca for going the extra mile with his performance- you are a star! Headteacher’s sticker – To ALL of Rievaulx for the brilliant effort put into getting the performance ready and for a fabulous rehearsal! Mathlete – Alban for always challenging himself and never giving up with problem solving. Handwriter of the week – Poppy-, for working extremely hard on her joined writing and it is very neat, well done.</p>

I continue to host my Friday Celebration Zoom Assembly. This is an opportunity for all our bubbles in school, those self isolating at home and you the parents/carers, to still be able to all come together at the end of the week to celebrate individual and group achievements. As always everyone is warmly invited.

<p><b>Celebration Assembly invite.</b> Miss Bennett is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting. Topic: SESSAY Friday Celebration Assembly Time: 2.30pm Every week on Fri, until Jul 23, 2021, 6 occurrence(s) Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system. Weekly: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84767868095?pwd=Y3BUR2VCaWFFYV6emRyM3ovcVNrZz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84767868095?pwd=Y3BUR2VCaWFFYV6emRyM3ovcVNrZz09</a> Join Zoom Meeting <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84767868095?pwd=Y3BUR2VCaWFFYV6emRyM3ovcVNrZz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84767868095?pwd=Y3BUR2VCaWFFYV6emRyM3ovcVNrZz09</a> Meeting ID: 847 6786 8095 Passcode: 470269</p>
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Next Wednesday is our Federation Summer Fun Day – all children learning remotely will enjoy dressing up in their summer beach wear and doing a range of fun summer activities.

On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July at 9.30am it is our end of the year Leaver’s Service on zoom to which our whole Sessay family is invited.

<p><b>Leaver’s Service invite.</b> Topic: Sessay Leaver's Service Time: Jul 23, 2021 09:30 AM London Join Zoom Meeting <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87623756880?pwd=YIA3Nm1uK0t6VVpoTm9XS0FkRU9jQT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87623756880?pwd=YIA3Nm1uK0t6VVpoTm9XS0FkRU9jQT09</a> Meeting ID: 876 2375 6880 Passcode: 4ct55P</p>
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Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the beautiful weather that is forecast.

#### NOTICES:

- The following is a uniform reminder for September as we have had a few queries.

<b>School uniform:</b> Navy sweater/cardigan	<b>PE Kit:</b> Plain sky blue / white t-shirt
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White/sky blue polo shirt Grey or black skirt, trousers or shorts Grey/white socks or tights Black sensible shoes.	Navy/black shorts Tracksuit bottoms and sweatshirt (for outdoor PE) Plimsolls / trainers
<b>Jewellery:-</b> For safety reasons, jewellery should not be worn in school. If a watch is worn, it is at your own risk. Plain stud type earrings may be worn with pierced ears but must be removed (independently) during PE sessions. This is in line with North Yorkshire County Council's policy.	

- I would like to let you know there will be a School Dinner Price Increase as of Autumn term 2021. School continues to subsidise school dinners, but with increasing costs from catering, dinners will be £2.60 in September.
- White Rose Maths books - Parents and carers can collect a series of exciting and **FREE** workbooks to use at home, from 2nd August onwards at any of Morrisons' network of stores nationwide. All you need to do is to call in at the 'Children's Little Library' in your local Morrisons store during your regular shop, and collect your free copies! <https://whiterosemaths.com/morrisons/>
- Thirsk Community Library are once again running a 'Summer Reading Challenge 2021'. Where they challenge all primary school children to read 6 books over the holidays! This year's theme is 'Wild World Heroes' – save our planet. Please go to the following website for further details.  
[www.library@thirskcommunity library.org.uk](http://www.library@thirskcommunitylibrary.org.uk)
- St Oswalds Sowerby 'Superheroes' Annual Holiday Club is running out of a marquee this year Numbers are limited, please use the following contact for further details.  
[pauline@stoswaldsowerby.org.uk](mailto:pauline@stoswaldsowerby.org.uk)

**DIARY DATES:**

Tuesday 20 July	Reports will be emailed out.
Wednesday 21 July	Summer Fun Day! Non uniform, wearing your beach wear!
Friday 23 July 9.30am	Year 6 Leaver's Service.
Tuesday 7 September	First day of academic year 2021-22.