



## A fortnightly note from your headteacher...

A busy start to the Autumn second half term with everyone enjoying their learning.

Our collective worship theme in school this half term is 'Creativity'. In book bags last Friday, your child brought home a 'Home School Values' sheet with some fun ideas to reinforce and explore the value at home.

Byland have enjoyed learning about Diwali, the festival of lights this week and loved making their own Diva lamps using clay and gems.



This week is National Maths week and Fountains have been making 2D shapes as part of their outdoor Maths challenges this week.

Bolton enjoyed sharing their dance routines to end their African Dance topic. They are now enjoying improving their netball skills!



In Rievaulx the children have been learning about blood and the heart in science and enjoyed making 3D models out of clay.

All the classes marked Remembrance Day in school and I must bring to your attention the beautiful poppies outside St Cuthbert's that I've seen when arriving at and leaving school this week too.



All the children are enjoying being in non-uniform today and having a playtime treat in support of Children in Need. 'Together, we can make a huge difference in a time when it's needed most. Together we can help change young lives for the better...'

This year we are having a 'CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE' which will be drawn live during celebration assembly on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December. To help make this a success we are asking you to sell raffle tickets (you can fill in stubs for the buyers) for 4 Christmas Hampers (Luxury, Drinks, Children's Fun and Chocolate). Every family today has been sent home a brown envelope with tickets in. Please return the stubs, money and any unsold tickets to school in the envelope provided by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December. Additional books are available. We will be having a non-uniform day in return for hamper donations on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November. We need to keep fundraising activities going for the school so we can do all the extra much-loved events like the pantomime!

As you know I am continuing to host my Friday Celebration Zoom Assembly. This is an opportunity for all our classes / children in school, alongside you the parents/carers at home, 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.

Celebration Assembly invite for this Half Term
<p>Topic: SESSAY Friday Celebration Assembly  Time: Nov 13, 2020 02:30 PM  Nov 20, 2020 02:30 PM  Nov 27, 2020 02:30 PM  Dec 4, 2020 02:30 PM  Dec 11, 2020 02:30 PM</p> <p>Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.  Weekly: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZEufuCrqTovGtyTEhdYaK6zra_LNVdqaHAP/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGTrTljGdOUTRmPRpwMA4r4Xenwtn5YjbdEqDrtBxISSVxsJON9HpxJFMnR">https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZEufuCrqTovGtyTEhdYaK6zra_LNVdqaHAP/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGTrTljGdOUTRmPRpwMA4r4Xenwtn5YjbdEqDrtBxISSVxsJON9HpxJFMnR</a></p> <p>Join Zoom Meeting  <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85399371508?pwd=N3k5WUhqQWRPejN2anVYQkdPbWtoUT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85399371508?pwd=N3k5WUhqQWRPejN2anVYQkdPbWtoUT09</a>  Meeting ID: 853 9937 1508  Passcode: 734438</p> <p>One tap mobile  +442034815237,,85399371508#,,,,,0#,,734438# United Kingdom  +442034815240,,85399371508#,,,,,0#,,734438# United Kingdom</p> <p>Dial by your location  +44 203 481 5237 United Kingdom  +44 203 481 5240 United Kingdom  +44 203 901 7895 United Kingdom  +44 131 460 1196 United Kingdom  +44 203 051 2874 United Kingdom  +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)  +1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)  +1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)  +1 929 436 2866 US (New York)  +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)  +1 301 715 8592 US (Germantown)</p> <p>Meeting ID: 853 9937 1508  Passcode: 734438  Find your local number: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kbuKSUEku3">https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kbuKSUEku3</a></p>

Fortnight Awards	
<p><b>Byland, Mrs Tyrka and Mrs Bennison.</b>  <i>Squirrel Award</i> – Billy and Dylan.  <i>Headteacher's sticker</i> – Imogen and Denver.  <i>Mathlete</i> – Oliver and Henry Bell.  <i>Handwriter of the week</i> – Isabel and Jack Midgley.</p>	<p><b>Fountains, Mrs Sowray.</b>  <i>Squirrel Award</i> – Max and Isla Holme.  <i>Headteacher's sticker</i> – Lola and Niamh  <i>Mathlete</i> – Olivia and Eliza.  <i>Handwriter of the week</i> – Betsy and Alfie.</p>
<p><b>Bolton, Miss Southward.</b>  <i>Squirrel Award</i> – Attilia and Primrose.  <i>Headteacher's sticker</i> – Connor and Scarlett. Loc.  <i>Mathlete</i> – Dexter. Imogen and Abby.  <i>Handwriter of the week</i> – Charlie and Sam.</p>	<p><b>Rievaulx, Mrs Watson and Ms Gauder.</b>  <i>Squirrel Award</i> – Ella and Edie  <i>Headteacher's sticker</i> – Zara and Maisie.  <i>Mathlete</i> – Holly and Summer.  <i>Handwriter of the week</i> – Edie and Hannah.</p>

Next week we look forward to marking Anti bullying week (United against Bullying) and Road Safety week (No Need to Speed) in school.

As you know due to COVID-19 restrictions we are currently unable to have non-essential visitors into school. For your information all staff and children are currently putting together a Welcome to Sessay School slideshow to show off our fabulous school and give prospective new children and parents a virtual tour. I will be showing it to all in

Friday celebration assembly next week and then it will go live on our website. Do take a look and I'm sure you'll feel as proud as I do to be a part of our whole school community.

Have a great weekend.

#### Diary Dates

27 November	Non-uniform day in return for Christmas Hamper donations
11 December	Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas raffle
17 December	Pantomime and Christmas parties in class bubbles
18 December	Christingle Zoom Service 11am School closes for Christmas at 2.30/2.45pm