



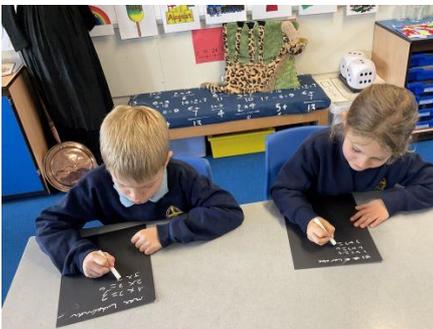
## A fortnightly newsletter from your headteacher...

Another busy fortnight at Sessay!

Byland have been continuing their work on plants in Science and have written some instructions on how to plant a seed. In Maths the children have started learning about fractions and finding half and quarters of different shapes and amounts. In RE the children went on a 'story trail' around the school grounds to learn about the story of 'Jesus' calling of the first Disciples'. In topic they have been learning all about the life of James Herriot ready for their visit next week and the children have typed up their biographies using Purple Mash.



Fountains have been busy planting their runner beans in science this week, hopefully they will have started to germinate over the weekend. In English they have been writing about Victorian schools and how they are different from schools today. They have all had a go at writing with chalks and dipping quills in ink! In maths, they have made a great start to their work on fractions - recognising a half, quarter and a third. In Mental Health Awareness Week they did an activity called 'Mindfulness Balloons', thinking about things that make them happy and wrote poems about Nature in their lives.



Bolton have performed their play which has been filmed ready to share with families shortly. They were all absolute superstars! They enjoyed all the drama, singing and art that came with preparing for their performance. In Maths they have been tackling some challenging problems and in Science they have learnt all about the life cycle of a plant. They braved the rain to check on the seeds they planted a couple of weeks ago and were very pleased to see that some have grown. Nature is the theme of Mental Health Awareness week and they have enjoyed poems from a beautiful book called 'I am the Seed that Grew the Tree'. A highlight this week was the surprise fluffy visitors on

Wednesday morning. Eva brought in her chicken Honey with her two chicks, they brought a big smile to everyone's faces.

Rievaulx have continued to learn about Space and have finished their wonderful collages this week based on the book 'The Skies above my Eyes'. They have also written newspaper articles about a spaceship landing on the school field! In maths they have been persevering with multiplication. A huge congratulations to everyone in Rievaulx as



they are all trying so hard to improve their scores on Times Table Rockstars.

### Friday 7 May Awards

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

*Squirrel Award* – William N for having a super attitude to his learning and persevering when he finds things tricky.

*Headteacher's sticker* – Billy for his super work finding half of different shapes and writing the names correctly using the Maths working wall to help him.

*Mathlete* – Ella-Rose for her fantastic work in maths, sharing objects equally.

*Handwriter of the week* – Jacob for working so hard with his writing on how to plant a seed. He used his phonics well and tried hard to keep his writing neat.

**Fountains, Mrs Sowray.**

*Squirrel Award* – Isla H for her positive and upbeat attitude this week, she has made some great contributions to our work on fractions – well done.

*Headteacher's sticker* – Emily for her super sketches of objects inside the church and her thoughts on special places in RE this week.

*Mathlete* – Chloe for some great work on block diagrams and a fantastic start to fractions this week.

*Handwriter of the week* – Betsy for trying really hard with her handwriting this week; she has managed to make it just a little bit bigger, well done.

**Bolton, Miss Southward.**

*Squirrel Award* – Alex for perseverance and a growth mindset all week, in all of his group AND independent work.

*Headteachers sticker*- Esmé for a beautiful piece of artwork to represent the idea of 'Gospel' in the bible.

*Mathlete* – Connor is super speedy at his timestables all the way up to 12x12, this week he has shown determination to beat his personal best time.

*Handwriter of the week* – Faith for taking such pride in her handwriting across the whole curriculum, this week she wrote up her science experiment beautifully.

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

*Squirrel Award* – Luca for his continuing excellent attitude in EVERYTHING he does but particularly this week for his newspaper article.

*Headteacher's sticker* – Zara and James KC for very fast times in their running with Mr Shimwell.

*Mathlete* – Hannah for improving her score in Times table rockstars.

*Handwriter of the week* – Elsie for neat writing in her spellings and English work.

### Friday 14 May Awards

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

*Squirrel Award* – Denver for his super attitude to his work across the curriculum. He always puts 100% into everything we ask of him.

*Headteacher's sticker* – Henry for his super letter to Baby Bear's mum from our story Whatever Next! He used adjectives and exclamation marks.

*Mathlete* – Paisley for her super work with fractions. She made some playdough cakes and split them into quarters.

**Fountains, Mrs Sowray.**

*Squirrel Award* – Alfie for some great contributions in science this week, he has worked hard on his bean diary.

*Headteacher's sticker* – Max for some accurate throwing and catching in P.E. this week.

*Mathlete* – Olivia for working extremely well creating pictograms on Purple Mash.

*Handwriter of the week* – Niamh for her beautiful presentation of work in all areas, well done!

<i>Handwriter of the week</i> – Olivia for trying hard with her cursive writing, keeping it small and on the line.	
<b>Bolton, Miss Southward</b> <i>Squirrel Award</i> – Dexter has worked extra hard this week to complete his work independently. Keep up the fabulous work. <i>Headteacher's sticker</i> - Asta and Attilia for being superstars in our class performance. They each performed a monologue which they had written themselves. <i>Mathlete</i> – Katie and Primrose for working together on a set of missing number problems, great teamwork and even better maths! <i>Handwriter of the week</i> – Scarlett presents all her work beautifully but this week her presentation in her maths book has been super neat!	<b>Rievaulx, Mrs Watson and Ms Gauder.</b> <i>Squirrel Award</i> – Robert has worked hard on his maths recently and is persevering with division this week, well done. <i>Headteacher's sticker</i> – Holly for getting consistently high scores in Times tables Rockstars. <i>Mathlete</i> – Maddie for her Times tables and recent work on division. <i>Handwriter of the week</i> – Oliver for his very neat writing across all the curriculum areas.

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.

<b>Celebration Assembly invite .</b> Topic: SESSAY Friday Celebration Assembly Time: May 14, 2021 02:30 PM May 21, 2021 02:30 PM May 28, 2021 02:30 PM Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system. Weekly: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZAqce6gqDMqE9HnvFzyRdX4qnaJYfrHy8Vi/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGsqT0tEtKdsBCCRpwIB4_oKPzwp1xfj_p1kgnDGTlhZjuil-xDGI5AvDJ">https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZAqce6gqDMqE9HnvFzyRdX4qnaJYfrHy8Vi/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGsqT0tEtKdsBCCRpwIB4_oKPzwp1xfj_p1kgnDGTlhZjuil-xDGI5AvDJ</a> Join Zoom Meeting <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84767868095?pwd=Y3BUR2VCaWFFYVWV6emRyM3ovcVNrZz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84767868095?pwd=Y3BUR2VCaWFFYVWV6emRyM3ovcVNrZz09</a> Meeting ID: 847 6786 8095 Passcode: 470269
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Have a lovely weekend.

#### NOTICES:

- On Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May we move to step 3 in the government's road map out of lockdown. The wearing of face coverings at drop off and pick up outside is now optional, however, please ensure social distancing is still in place and continue to be as careful and vigilant as possible.

#### DIARY DATES:

Monday 17 May	Bolton Fire Service visit in school.
Tuesday 18 May	Byland trip to the World of James Herriot, Thirsk.
Tuesday 18 May	Bolton local artist, Andrea Mosey visit in school.
Wednesday 26 May	Swinging Sixties Day in Rievaulx.
Thursday 27 May	Break up for half term.
Friday 28 May	Training day. School closed.
Monday 7 June	Back to school, start of Summer term 2.
Thursday 10 June	KS2 Duncombe Park visit.
Friday 11 June	Class photographs.
Thursday 17 June (am)	Apple Tree Nursery, Husthwaite open morning. Please book a slot with Husthwaite school office.