



CE Primary School

'Growing together in love and learning'

Your fortnightly note from your Headteacher ...

Another busy fortnight, last week the children enjoyed dressing in red and wearing their character red noses for Red Nose Day. They also had a great science day across the Federation focused on theme 'Growth'. Different classes learning included the life cycle of a butterfly, investigating the size of our hands and feet as we get older and investigating how and what plants need to grow. Science day was concluded with a celebration of all the children's learning about 'growth' on a federation zoom led by our science subject leader Mrs Bennison.



Cluster sport is well and truly back up and running, last week our Years 5 and 6 High 5 Netball team and coach Mrs Woodhead travelled to Thirsk High School to take part in a competition. They won a match and drew a match, all the children thoroughly enjoyed it and Zara and Primrose received star player awards and Hannah an award for persevering in sport! Yesterday our Year 3/4 Tchoukball team also competed against our local schools. The children loved learning a new sport, with extremely fast paced catching and throwing involved and they came home the silver medallists!

A huge thankyou to Mrs Woodhead, parents that baked and all staff that helped run a pop-up tearoom at school last Friday. An amazing £365 was raised for the Ukraine in helping to provide fresh food produce at the Refugee centres in Kosice – Slovakia. The Thirsk Rotary Club who have linked with the charity Teech to support the Ukrainian refugees came in to thank the school staff and children for all their efforts.



Byland children have been learning about the different parts of a castle and drawing their own castles using pastels making sure they have all of the features included. They then designed their very own castles with working drawbridges ready to make next week in DT. In maths they have been measuring using non- standard units of measure and then moved onto cm and using a ruler accurately. After reading and thoroughly enjoying their new class text 'Zog and the flying Doctors', they have written a letter to the King from Zog persuading him to set Princess Pearl free!

Fountains children all enjoyed investigating the size of hands, heads and feet on science day last week. This week they have been learning about Ernest Shackleton after his ship 'Endurance' was discovered last week and they have thoroughly enjoyed researching Emperor penguins and writing some fantastic fact files. The Year 2's have been mastering 'time' and working with clocks and the Year 3 children have been working with calendars and ordering dates. Class Fountains will now never be late and are super organised in organising their diaries! They had a fantastic hockey session with Mr McClive this week, great practice for the tournament next Thursday.



Bolton children have been collecting data about how children travel to school and presenting their findings in tables and as bar charts. They will be using their data to answer the question 'What would be the most environmentally friendly way for us all to travel to school?' They have written some fabulous explanation texts about how Roman's entertained themselves and have also enjoyed exploring famous Roman architecture. They all thoroughly enjoyed their print making in art and in science they have been carrying out several experiments investigating the properties of different materials. All the children have worked hard on their ball skills and have tried a new sport 'T'choukball' which originates from Switzerland.



Rievaulx children have been busy as always, converting units of measurement in maths and doing lots of problem solving. In English they have been planning some writing for a speech or letter entitled 'If I Ruled the World!' In art and design they have started to plan their weaving based on the natural world and have been inspired by artist Barbara Hicks. Margaret Godfrey, a Hawaiian artist, has been the inspiration for some volcanic artwork in our topic lessons.

Friday 18 March Awards

Byland, Mrs Tyrka and Mrs Bennison.

Squirrel Award - Harriet for her enthusiasm for learning and for helping others.
 Headteacher's sticker - Denver for his super acting skills playing the character of Zog from our class text.
 Mathlete - Ebony for her super measuring skills – she used the cubes to carefully measure different objects.
 Handwriter of the week - Alfie for working really hard with his letter formation.

Fountains, Mrs Sowray.

Squirrel Award -Max for his super effort with his work on Shackleton this week, he has tried extremely hard with his presentation.
 Headteacher's sticker - Ellie for being so kind and thoughtful around school, a great role model to all.
 Mathlete - Jack J for challenging himself with his work on time and explaining some reasoning questions.
 Handwriter of the week – Olivia P for beautifully presented work across the curriculum, your books are a pleasure to read!

Bolton, Miss Southward.

Squirrel Award -. Rosie for listening carefully to other children during speaking and listening activities in English this week.
 Headteacher's sticker – Attilia for her meticulous attitude towards all her work. Attilia always wants to know how she can improve and challenge herself even more.
 Mathlete - Rocco has shown a positive, growth mindset when faced with challenging questions in maths. You are growing in confidence, keep it up.
 Handwriter of the week – Asta for a detailed and very

Rievaulx, Mrs Watson and Ms Gauder.

Squirrel Award -. William for his inspirational first draft of his speech, 'If I Ruled the World!'
 Headteacher's sticker - James for his maths work this week, trying really hard with problem solving and showing perseverance
 Mathlete - Freddie for challenging himself in maths converting units of measurement and applying his knowledge and understanding in problem solving.
 Handwriter of the week – Summer for consistently beautifully neat, cursive writing across the curriculum.

interesting explanation text about the hobbies people had during the Roman period.	
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Friday 25 March Awards	
<p>Byland, Mrs Tyrka and Mrs Bennison. Squirrel Award – Zoe for trying very hard to form correct sentences when writing a letter to the King from Zog. Headteacher’s sticker - Ella-Rose for having very good behaviour for learning and trying hard this week. Mathlete - Leila for super measuring and trying very hard using ‘cm’. Handwriter of the week – Isabel for trying very hard to keep her writing neat and on the lines.</p>	<p>Fountains, Mrs Sowray. Squirrel Award - . William N for some accurate work on quarter past and to the hour this week. Headteacher’s sticker – Farrah, well done for getting 10/10 in your spellings this week. Mathlete - Isla H for persevering with her ordering of events and her arithmetic quiz this week. Handwriter of the week – Jacob for trying hard with the presentation of ALL his work.</p>
<p>Bolton, Miss Southward. Squirrel Award - Loc for putting 100% effort into achieving his targets this week. Loc has been focused and determined to succeed. Headteacher’s sticker - Matthew for taking his time and creating a beautiful piece of art in our print-making session. Mathlete – Eva for presenting data on her bar chart beautifully and with accuracy. Handwriter of the week – Primrose for her beautifully presented piece of writing all about Roman architecture.</p>	<p>Rievaulx, Mrs Watson and Ms Gauder. Squirrel Award - . Robert for his excellent grammar work focussing on relative clauses and adverbial phrases. Headteacher’s sticker - Hannah for working hard in PE and being a real team player and encouraging others. Mathlete - Ruby for her excellent work with imperial measures. Handwriter of the week – Maddie for trying hard with her handwriting in all areas of the curriculum.</p>
<p>Mrs Tyrka’s Superstars Stanley- For trying so hard with his sentence writing in his Learning Journey this week at home. Isla- For being a kind and supportive friend and helping the reception children on the tyres at playtime. Sam and Roman- For supporting the younger children in setting up a football game when we moved playtime onto the field this week.</p>	

This afternoon we would like to warmly invite you to join us for our Friday celebration Assembly in St Cuthbert’s church at 2.30pm.

Have a lovely weekend.

NOTICES:

- Thank you to all for supporting our Mother’s Day gift sale. We raised an amazing £246 and wish all our amazing Mummy’s, Grandma’s and special ladies a fabulous Mothering Sunday.
- Congratulations to Mr Bentley who made it to Everest Basecamp, raising funds for our school library, he has nearly reached £500! His adventure is a total of 17 days, returning on Sunday and he will have completed his dream challenge! We are so looking forward to hearing all about it on his return. If anyone would like to donate, please use the following link:
<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/bruce-bentley-sessayschool>
- Easter Chocolate Hamper Raffle - £1 a strip available from the school office.



- A huge congratulations and well done to Eva, Isla, Mummy and Nana for raising an amazing £1000 for the Ukraine through selling their gorgeous crocheted blue and yellow flowers. An amazing achievement to help others during such difficult times.
- On Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th April, Rievaulx will be hosting a book sale straight after school. All books will be priced at 20p, to raise funds for the school library.

31 March	Year 3/4 Hockey at Thirsk High School
4 and 5 April	20p book sale after school.
8 April	FOSS Easter Egg Hunt Year 5/6 Hockey at Thirsk High School Easter Service 1.30pm St Cuthbert's Church, Easter Chocolate Hamper Raffle being drawn. Break up for the Easter holiday at 2.30pm
25 April	School reopens for the Summer term.
28 April	Young Voices
2 May	Bank Holiday School closed
9 – 12 May	KS2 SATS week