



CE Primary School *'Growing together in love and learning'*

Sessay CE Primary School Monthly Newsletter

September 2024...

What a fabulous start to the new academic year! All our children, old and new have settled in so well to their new year groups. It is so lovely as always to see our older children supporting our youngest and the buzz and love of learning fills our school once again after the summer break.

Everything is back in full swing and at the beginning of the term Fountains class had a lovely morning at our KS1 Cluster Fun Run at Sowerby Academy. We were so proud of all the children who were impeccably well behaved and ran so well in all their races. They also displayed fabulous sportsmanship in congratulating our medal winners, Martha, Ted, Wilfred and Charlie. A huge well done to all the children.



Yesterday we celebrated European Languages Day...

In **Byland** we started the day by trying to answer the register in different languages. We had French, German, Spanish, Finnish and Swedish. We found out some information about Finland and then created some pictures and paintings, including the Finnish flag and images of Finland. (Mrs Fielding)



In **Fountains** we looked at where France was on a map and then answered the register in French. We counted to 10 in French and enjoyed tasting croissants. (Mrs Bennison)

In **Bolton** we greeted each other in 10 different languages. We then focused on one country, drew the flag, found a traditional food, fun fact and sampled croissants! (Mrs Sowray)

Pupils in **Rievaulx** had to investigate how to say 'hello' in 5 different languages. They then had to select one of these countries and find 5 facts related to that country. For an extra challenge, they entered a virtual Escape Room with different tasks that had to be completed in order to find the correct numbers to crack a code and escape. (Miss Wilkie)



Today we are once again supporting Macmillan – wearing green and enjoying a yummy bun at play time! Thank you to all who baked and donated on our Just Giving page to support this amazing cancer charity that is so close to many of our hearts.

https://macmillan-email.org.uk/c/AQjU9QE0_rfpBhiU7P_XASDQ6NKaATZhGUimr_anthWteorCkeWmtTOVxQ7qQ1gw8drpQMG

Friday 6th September Awards

Byland, Mrs Tyrka and Mrs Fielding.

This week we are recognising ALL the children in Byland class. They have had a brilliant first week at Sessay school and we are so proud of them. We are excited for the year ahead and seeing each child 'Growing together in love and learning.'

Fountains, Mrs Bennison.

Sessay Acorn Award – James for his super attitude and great listening this week. He has been so focused and worked really hard with sequencing the events in the story A Squash and a Squeeze. Keep up the great work James.
Headteacher's sticker - Alfie for settling in so well to Fountains class. You are a pleasure to teach and you have had a super week. Well done.
Mathlete – Poppie for persevering with her work on place value - well done.
Writer of the week – Emily for really thinking about extending her sentences and keeping her handwriting neat.

Bolton, Mrs Sowray and Mr Houghton.

Sessay Acorn Award – Joseph for listening and working well in art and for helping with all the tidying up.
Headteacher's sticker - Isabel for such a positive attitude in class this week, keep it up!
Mathlete – Alice for making a fantastic start with her work on place value this week – well done!
Writer of the week – Leila for some super ideas linked to our class texts this week.

Rievaulx, Ms Gauder and Miss Wilkie.

Sessay Acorn Award – Niamh C. Niamh has really stepped up to being a Year 6. Amazing attitude to her learning, thoughtful responses to ALL questions. Total star!
Headteacher's sticker - William N for his excellent observational drawing of a house this week.
Mathlete – All of Rievaulx, for completing a maths quiz with a smile in our first week back!
Writer of the week – Olivia T for getting on with all written work (no matter how tough!) independently.

Friday 13th September Awards

Byland, Mrs Tyrka and Mrs Fielding.

Sessay Acorn Award – Billy has made a brilliant start to life at Sessay. He is always ready to listen and learn. He answers questions enthusiastically. Keep it up!
Headteacher's sticker - Ralph- it has been wonderful to see him coming through the door this week with a

Fountains, Mrs Bennison.

Sessay Acorn Award – Emmie for working hard and trying her best in all areas of the curriculum. She is a lovely friend and a super role model for the younger children. Well done Emmie.

<p>smile on his face and ready to start his activities. We are really pleased, well done.</p> <p>Mathlete – Elsie has shown an excellent understanding of number this week, matching the correct amount of conkers to a given number. Keep up the good work.</p> <p>Writer of the week – Jessica can confidently write her name and loves to do activities involving mark making resources. We have also loved seeing your neat colouring. Super work Jessica.</p>	<p>Headteacher's sticker - Joseph for his super work in science sorting the animals into the different animal classes. Well done Joseph.</p> <p>Mathlete – Lily for her super work with problem solving using place value this week. Great work Lily.</p> <p>Writer of the week – Wilfred for working hard and persevering with his cursive writing this week. He has taken his time and really thought about his letter formation and overall presentation. Well done Wilfred.</p>
<p>Bolton, Mrs Sowray and Mr Houghton.</p> <p>Sessay Acorn Award – Mia for a superb attitude to her work; she has worked incredibly hard in phonics and has been so positive in maths – keep up the good work!</p> <p>Headteacher's sticker - Stanley for developing his organisational skills in both class and Forest school.</p> <p>Mathlete – Cameron for his great contributions in maths this week. He has shown a really secure knowledge of place value and partitioning numbers.</p> <p>Writer of the week – Ebony for some detailed writing about what she would do to cheer someone up linked to our class text.</p>	<p>Rievaulx, Ms Gauder and Miss Wilkie.</p> <p>Sessay Acorn Award – Joel. He has shown maturity and responsibility, making sensible choices and taking ownership for his learning. We are so impressed Joel! Well done.</p> <p>Headteacher's sticker - Betsy has shown determination and self-belief, having a go and answering challenging questions. You can do it!</p> <p>Mathlete – Denver, for persevering with a maths problem.</p> <p>Writer of the week – Billy for fantastic use of relative clauses.</p>

Friday 20th September Awards

<p>Byland, Mrs Tyrka and Mrs Fielding.</p> <p>Sessay Acorn Award – Fearne is a delight to have in the class. She is always ready to listen and learn, following instructions carefully, and usually with a beaming smile.</p> <p>Headteacher's sticker - Etta is a great addition to Sessay School. She has such a happy and positive attitude to everything we do. What a super start!</p> <p>Mathlete – Jasper has shown a positive attitude to maths work this week. He has shown the class how to sort items into different groups, according to colour, size and type of vehicle.</p> <p>Writer of the week – Hailey can write her name independently and has shown super letter formation in phonics this week of s/a/t/p. Well done.</p>	<p>Fountains, Mrs Bennison.</p> <p>Sessay Acorn Award – Daisy for her superb attitude to her work. Daisy always listens carefully and works hard in all areas of the curriculum.</p> <p>Headteacher's sticker - Frankie B-I for his super hot seating work in RE. Frankie played the role of Jonah from 'Jonah and the whale', answering the questions with great enthusiasm.</p> <p>Mathlete – Charlie for persevering with his work on partitioning numbers using the base ten equipment. Well done Charlie.</p> <p>Writer of the week – Rosalie for her super writing linked to the story 'Billy's Bucket'. Rosalie really thought about her sentences and even included adjectives in her writing. Well done Rosalie.</p>
<p>Bolton, Mrs Sowray and Mr Houghton.</p> <p>Sessay Acorn Award – Rosie has had a super week – some great work observing rocks in science, a positive attitude to all her work – yesterday, she was so focused in art, using tint and shade to create a 3D effect.</p> <p>Headteacher's sticker - Obi for his fantastic efforts in goal with Mr Shimwell – in his words “I took one to the head!”</p> <p>Mathlete – Harriet for her excellent maths work this week; she's been partitioning numbers to 10,000.</p> <p>Writer of the week – Ted for some great answers in his homework; making two points for a 2-mark answer and for his excellent Harvest poem – well done!</p>	<p>Rievaulx, Ms Gauder and Miss Wilkie.</p> <p>Sessay Acorn Award – Emily. She is always polite, helpful and smiling. A great role model!</p> <p>Headteacher's sticker - Farrah, for displaying fantastic dribbling skills in football with Mr Shimwell.</p> <p>Mathlete – Jack J, for his accurate and speedy use of number lines.</p> <p>Writer of the week – Imogen, for her English work using relative clauses.</p>

Friday 27th September Awards

<p>Byland, Mrs Tyrka and Mrs Fielding. Sessay Acorn Award – Jackson has been a superstar this week. We are all so impressed to hear him chatting away to his friends and teachers. Keep it up Jackson. Headteacher’s sticker - Jessica is incredibly helpful and kind to everyone in class. She voluntarily tidies up for other people without being asked. What a star! Mathlete – Ralph has enjoyed learning in the maths provision area this week. He can find objects and compare them using the balance scales. Writer of the week – Elsie seems to really enjoy written activities. It is lovely to see her pencil control when writing her name and numbers to 10. Well done Elsie.</p>	<p>Fountains, Mrs Bennison. Sessay Acorn Award – Frankie S for completing all the maths challenges this week and for some lovely artwork using charcoals. Headteacher’s sticker - Genevieve for her fabulous monster design and for super work with place value in maths. Mathlete – Edith for working so hard and persevering with her maths work this week. Well done Edith. Writer of the week – Marnie for her super description of the monster she created. Marnie used lots of adjectives and her writing was lovely and neat. Well done.</p>
<p>Bolton, Mrs Sowray and Mr Houghton. Sessay Acorn Award – Cameron for a super week. He has put 100% into all his work and always does it with a smile on his face! Headteacher’s sticker - Pippa for settling in SO well to Bolton class, it’s lovely that you have joined us. Mathlete – Joseph for his accurate measuring using a ruler to the nearest millimetre. Writer of the week – Connie for her writing in poetry this week based on a poem by Michael Rosen ‘Sweetshop’. Keep up the good work.</p>	<p>Rievaulx, Ms Gauder and Miss Wilkie. Sessay Acorn Award – Joshua and Olivia P for their very successful science work, making a periscope. Headteacher’s sticker - Bryony. She has settled in amazingly well and is now a fully fledged member of Rievaulx. we are so pleased to have you! Mathlete – Henry, for his work rounding numbers to 10,000 accurately and confidently. Writer of the week- Darcie for her very neat writing about oceans and sea creatures, planning a non-chronological report.</p>

For your information our Collective worship Christian value this half term is Generosity. Your child took home a school values sheet of ideas in the first week of term, should you wish to explore their understanding of this value further at home.

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 lovely weekend.

NOTICES:

- **School dinner 3 October 2024.** We are having a special ‘Build a Burger’ themed school dinner on this day. All EYFS and KS1 children will receive a school dinner taster on this day.
We would like to inform you that on Friday 4 October school dinner will be a ‘Grab Bag’ due to us having works done in our school kitchen.
- **HARVEST FESTIVAL** You are warmly invited to our Harvest Festival on Monday 7th October at 9.30am at St Cuthbert’s Church. As always, all the children will be contributing to our service which is being hosted by Mrs Sowray, Rev David and myself.
- **World Mental Health Day** - Thursday 10th October. As a school, we will be recognising World Mental Health Day through a range of activities that will explore and enhance our mental health. These include being outdoors at Forest School and using books that explore feelings and emotions and how to manage them. Children are encouraged to wear something yellow on this day, Young Minds are calling it ‘Hello Yellow’. Please don't feel you need something special, just a nod to yellow would be great.
- **FOSS & FOHS Family festival** – a huge thank you to FOSS for supporting FOHS and to Low Osgoodby Grange for hosting such a fabulous end of year Federation family festival. The line dancing, crafts, cookery demo, heavy horses, mouse race and fun games were very much enjoyed by all. The sun shone on a beautiful summer Saturday and over £350 was raised for school. Thanks to all for supporting this special family event.
- **School Drop Off** Please can we remind everyone that **school starts at/registration is at 8.45am**. The wooden gates are officially opened at 8.35am and locked at 8.45am/after all school buses have arrived. Any child arriving

after 8.45am is recorded as late (L) and if arrives after registration is closed at 9am, is recorded as unauthorised (U).

- **September online safety newsletter for parents.** Please see the September online safety newsletter to support you in providing your child with a safe online environment. As always we want to promote having a safe online environment for children both at school and at home.
- **Federation Governors.**

GOVERNOR VACANCIES – WOULD YOU OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND BECOME A GOVERNOR AT OUR FEDERATION?

MAKE A POSITIVE CONTRIBUTION TO YOUR COMMUNITY.

DEVELOP YOUR OWN PROFESSIONAL SKILLS.

HELP SHAPE EXPERIENCES FOR THE NEXT GENERATION.

No in-depth knowledge of the education system is needed, you bring with you skills and workplace knowledge that will help positively impact young lives. For more details please don't hesitate to contact Miss Bennett.

DIARY DATES:

28 September TOMORROW	OPEN SCHOOL On Saturday 28 th September, 10-11am we are opening the school to warmly welcome the whole community. This is an opportunity for all to see what a fabulous rural primary school we are and all that we offer to our amazing children. Please do spread the word and come and join us.
3 October	Year 3 and 4 Cluster Quicksticks Hockey Tournament
7 October	Harvest Festival at St Cuthbert's Church at 9.30am Stay & Play 10.45am
8 October	Individual school photographs
8 & 10 October	Parents Evenings
17 October	Year 5 and 6 Cluster Football Tournament
23 October	Rievaulx Lindisfarne Federation Trip
25 October	Pumpkin Carving Competition Break up for half term at normal time.
4 November	Training Day – School Closed.
5 November	Back to school for Autumn Term 2

Please see 2024-2025 term dates attached once again for your convenience.