Bedale Church of England Primary School Newsletter 'Learning & Caring Together'

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Dear Parents/Carers

I would like to start by congratulating everyone this week. It has been assessment week in school and everyone has risen to the challenge. Our children have really persevered so well to give their very best. It is also lovely to see how smart all the children are looking in their uniforms.

It is wonderful to see the return of clubs; we are offering a wide range of choice and they all seem very popular, even though they can only be open to a single year group with bubble restrictions.

Please see below for some quotes for our pupils who are attending clubs along with some photographs!

Netball Club

'I really enjoyed netball, and loved learning new skills like passing' - Tallica

'I think netball is good for helping us to work as a team and communicate with each other - Arthur



Y1 Yoga Club

'Yoga keeps you healthy and your bodies strong. We did colour breathing too, breathing in yellow for happiness and pink for love, it keeps you calm' -Mollie



Forest Schools Club

'Forest school Club is really fun; we can be as creative as we would like to be. On Wednesday, we made fires using flint and steel with cotton wool to set the Flames off. We got to boil



water for hot chocolate and got into groups to be blind-folded and feel our way round the forest school. It was very fun and exciting. There are many things we have got planned over the new few weeks' - Katie

<u>Throwing and Catching Club</u>

'I really enjoyed this club because we got to play some fun new games. Dodgeball was my

favourite. I also enjoyed playing the games with my friends from the other year 3 class' - George



Lego Club

'It's lots of fun because you get to make lots of creations' —Luke

'I am making a farm because I love to ride my horses at the weekend' —Freya

'We are doing teamwork to make RAF plane like in our DT'—Nico



Art Club

'It helps my imagination' - Maisie

'It puts the colour in my eye' - Annabelle

'It helps me to relax' - Abigail



Y3Yoga

'I like yoga because it is a nice way to end the week and it is very calming' —Elsie



Year 6 Transition

Unfortunately, the secondary schools are now having to make changes to their plans following last week's announcement. We will be in touch with parents of Year 6 and will keep you updated. If things change again on 5th July we will go with plan C! We are all eager to provide this experience for our Year 6 pupils if at all possible.

Robinwood 2022

This week Mr Hartley-Haw and Mrs Pennock have taken great joy in booking Robinwood for next June. It will be something our current Year 5 pupils can look forward to. Further information will follow in the new academic year.



It is no longer compulsory to wear masks when outside but we do ask all adults to do so unless you have an exemption. Some parents have contacted staff this past week or two saying they were very concerned with the number of parents not wearing a mask. We cannot enforce this but we do recommend that masks are worn by all adults/carers whilst on the school site. Thank you for your continued support.

School Meal Parentpay Accounts

ParentPay As of today we have 25 pupils accounts on parentpay that are in arrears for school meals. Please can we remind parents that we do not offer credit for school meals. All meals ordered should be paid for in advance. Please log onto Parentpay and check your account. Thank you.

EYFS News

The children have really enjoyed learning more about China and have made lanterns ready for our Chinese day on July 6th. Following on from our work on The Magic Paintbrush, they have painted things that they think would be helpful to people. They were so compassionate and thoughtful; thinking really hard about other people and what they might need.



They have been working on writing sentences and making sure that their letters sit on the line. What good progress they have made with their writing.

They are enjoying Forest Schools and den building and have worked really well as a team. They have handled all of the equipment carefully and have really enjoyed it.

Thank you very much for your continued support with the homework on Google Classroom and the reading. The children have settled well into life at school and we feel are getting ready for Year One confidently.

Year 1 News

We have been really impressed with how hard the children have worked in the assessments. Now that we have nearly finished learning about Captain Cook, we are going to have a few weeks thinking about pirates and will be reading the story Class 3 at Sea. To celebrate our learning, we are going to have a pirate day on Wednesday 7th July, we would like it if all the children could come dressed up as a pirate that day.

We have noticed a dip in the Reading Rainbow numbers recently Please make sure your child is reading three times a week at home so they can move up the Reading Rainbow. Regular reading at home is the most important thing you can do to help with your child's learning.

Year 2 News

We have had a busy few weeks after the half term holiday, especially in writing. Over the past few weeks the children have worked very hard to produce news reports and diary entries based on the book 'Quest'. We were amazed by some of the progress seen in the writing and all the children did a wonderful job.



On Friday we had a visit from an officer from Bedale Fire station to talk to us about water safety.

This week has been assessment week and the children have worked their socks off. We look forward to celebrating their success in the reports in a few weeks time.

On Tuesday 6th July we are hosting our 'Around the world in a day' event where your child can come dressed as an explorer and will travel the world to sample food and learn more about the cultures. Please see separate letter with further details.

Time is racing towards the end of term now and we can't believe their time in Year two is coming to a close. Thank you for your continued support at home with homework and reading. We have loved reading all the biographies and history holiday homework. There has clearly been lots of time and effort put into these which is greatly appreciated.





What a last couple of weeks! The children in year 3 have been really impressive with their efforts and determination while completing assessments this week. Assessments can be quite intimidating, but they are just an opportunity for us to see how much has been learnt and for the children to demonstrate all their learning that they've remembered. In the past few weeks, we have started geometry and looking into shapes and angles in maths.

Meanwhile in English, we studied the beginning of Hugo Cabret. We recommend for the children to watch the film as they have been reading the story in class.

The children are excited to continue our bread and dip challenge in the next few weeks. We have tasted different styles of breads and some traditional dips. Also in geography, we are soon to be carrying out an environmental survey of Bedale Town and we will find out where the 'best' location in Bedale is.

As the weather remains warm, please make sure your child brings in suitable fluids in a named bottle.

Year 4 News

Year Four have really enjoyed starting our new science topic of the digestive system, learning all about what happens to our food in our bodies after we've eaten it!

In our English lessons this half-term, we have learnt about the purpose and features of a biography as well as researching the life of King Alfred the Great. We are now beginning to write our own biographies about his achievements during the Viking invasion of Britain.

Digestive system

In maths, we've been learning about data and how to draw bar charts from pictograms and tables. We've especially enjoyed collecting our own data to create our own graphs. Well done everyone for continuing to move up the times tables take off!

Year 5 News



The children have been working hard on their diary entries over the last two weeks in English, they are based on our class reader — The Highland Falcon. Linked to this work, the children have been so excited to predict who the jewel thief is! In maths they have been very keen to learn how to use a protractor and have done well. This week they are working extremely hard on their assessments.

Please make sure they bring their water bottles everyday as the weather gets hotter.

Year 6 News

What an amazing week of assessments. The children have put 100% into showing us all that they know - we are very proud of how hard they have worked. We can't wait to celebrate next Friday with our picnic and trip to Bedale Park. (Please see separate letter for details.) This week has also seen the start of our drama sessions.



We are flexing our comedic muscles in class and having lots of fun at the same time, trying to 'out funny' each other. Furthermore, we have really enjoyed the orienteering sessions with Connor from the Cleveland Orienteering Klub (CLOK). Our only negative? That the sessions had to end!