



# Friday Letter for Parents and Carers



20th September 2019

## Headteacher Update

### Dates for your Diary

#### September

25th-27th Kingswood Residential

27th Macmillan Cake Sale

#### October

15th Team Puffins Harvest Festival Assembly

22nd Hawks and Falcons Class Assembly

28th-1st November Half Term

#### November

6th Flu Immunisation

15th Training Day

24th Halloween Dress up/Disco

2.30-3.00pm EYFS, 3.30-4.15pm KS1,

4.30-5.30pm LKS2, 5.45-6.45pm UKS2

29th Christmas Fair

**Any changes/additions will be marked in red**

Dear Parents and Carers

It's been great to see the sunshine return this week! Perfect for our children to play in their first football matches of the year. Mr Unwin and Mr Jones were immensely proud of our Year 1/2 children and our Year 5/6 children when they played at York High this week. What an achievement in the first few weeks of the year. I am always keen to hear about the fabulous things our children achieve outside of school. In assembly this week I introduced our new 'Achievement Tree' which will celebrate successes out of school. We already have three children who achieved the 'Summer Reading Challenge' in the Summer Holidays. If your child(ren) have achieved something special (e.g. a swimming award, martial arts belt, learnt to ride their bike) please send in a photo with an explanation of their achievement.



We also introduced the 'Aldi's Kit for Schools' campaign. Get collecting those Team GB stickers and we could win £20,000! Have a lovely weekend.

*Debbie Cousins*



## Welcome Back



On the first Friday of our new school year, the children in Key Stage One were lucky enough to start off their new learning with a trip into York, as part of their topic 'Out of my Window'. Our first stop was the Castle Museum, where we looked around the former castle prison, explored the World War and 1960s exhibits, before taking a trip down the Victorian street. The children loved learning about how York had changed over time and were amazed at the real life rooms from the past that had been recreated in the



museum. After a quick lunch break, we set off on a walk to York Minster. We passed famous York landmarks Clifford's Tower and The Shambles en-route. Arriving at the Minster, we split into groups and started Monty the Monkey's scavenger hunt. We found the 'Five Sisters' window, the Golden Eagle statue and we even found Monty the Monkey himself in the Chapter House! We had a fantastic day and the children really did the school proud. Team Parrots have also had a special visitor in class this past week - Attendy Bear - due to their 100% attendance during the first week of term. Attendy Bear has been very busy in the Parrots, getting involved in P.E, taking part in Maths where he was comparing the size of numbers, and even helping to edit Mr Donkin's sentences! The Parrots loved having Attendy Bear in their class and are going to try really hard to be in school every day on time so that he can come visit again soon!



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## REDTED- Read Every Day Talk Every Day



REDTED has been busy visiting the children in Swans and Robins this week. He has been listening to the children read and recommending his favourite books. REDTED loves reading and challenges the children to read and return their books every week. The children collect stamps from REDTED and receive a message and a certificate for 10 stamps, a picture with REDTED and a bookmark for 20 stamps and they get their very own REDTED to keep when they reach 25 stamps!



## Year 1 and 2 Football



Our Year 1 and 2 children had a great time at the Football competition at York High School this week, well done everyone!

## Stars of the Week 13th September

### Ducklings

Erik for settling into Nursery, trying all the different activities and making the right choices.  
Mollie for settling back into Nursery, being a good example to the other Ducklings and for making new friends.

### Swan

Ashleigh for fantastic listening during story time.

### Robin

Gracie-May for being a fantastic role model to all of Team Robins!

### Parrot

Rowan for a super, grown-up attitude to learning, especially in Maths!

### Toucan

Harrison for coming back so grown up in his attitude to learning.

### Woodpecker

Kara for being a super role model to her team!

### Razorbill

Anya for being a role model to all the class and applying herself in every lesson

### Albatross

Leo for showing great enthusiasm to all learning as well as visitors into school

### Puffin

Jayden for brilliant discussions in whole class reading that made our team think about the story in a different way!

### Osprey

Tyson for his fantastic attitude towards learning both at school and at home  
Kaiden for his fabulous attitude to learning

### Eagle

Ellie for great contributions and enthusiasm in lessons.

### Hawk

Lewis for brilliant contributions in reading.

### Falcon

Jack for fantastic work in writing.

### PE star

Ellie for great first impressions in PE with Mr Jones; setting fantastic examples to the rest of her class!

### Mrs Cousin's Headteacher's award

Laila for a fantastic start to the New School Year. You've been smiling all week!

### Wellbeing Award

Kaiden for a great first week at Hob Moor Primary Academy