

# Friday Letter for Parents and Carers 23rd April 2021



# **Headteacher Update**

## Dates for your Diary

## April

29th Birthday Party Day 30th April Training Day May

7th NSPCC Number Day W/C 17th Parents Evenings 31st May-4th June Half Term **Fulv** 

9th Training Day 23rd Last Day of Term

Any changes/additions will be marked in red

School Meal Booking
Don't forget to book
your child's meals on
ParentPay.
Bookings must be made
by the Wednesday for
the following week.
Thank you.

Happy St Georges Day everyone!

Earlier this week we had a lovely on-line assembly hearing the story of St George and the dragon and we asked the children to ask you all if you can remember hearing the legend when you were at school. I certainly can! We linked the story of our patron saint to showing kindness in school and at home so I do hope the children have been extra kind to you and their brothers and sisters this week. Last week we talked about the importance of using the words 'Thank You' and lots of children have been telling me they have remembered to use them at home too.

This term we are launching our new PSHE (Personal, Social, Health and Economic) curriculum through which our children will develop the knowledge and skills they need to manage their lives, now and in the future. You will find more detailed information about this on our school website next week. If you would like to discuss aspects of this please email us on admin.hmp@ebor.academy

Happy weekend, lets hope the sun shines brightly for us again.

Debbie Cousins

# Year 6

The children in year 6 have been taking part in 'Me and My Chimp' workshops, where they have been learning about building emotional skills and how the mind works. Below the children have written about what they learned during the workshops.

In the 'Me and My Chimp' workshop, we learned that we have a part of our brain that can sometimes take over and do things that we do not want to do. If this happens, we cannot just blame it on our chimp. We must take responsibility for these actions by understanding what we have done wrong, apologising and then finding a way to fix it. We also learned that this part of the brain - called the chimp or red brain - helps us to survive. For example, if you were in danger, your chimp brain would protect you by running away.

Robyn

It was really fun doing the 'Me and My Chimp' workshop because we learnt a lot, like how we have two brains (a red brain and a blue brain). Our blue brain is our sensible brain and when using your blue brain, you're being the person you want to be. But your red brain can take over and you can do things you wouldn't necessarily want to do, like getting angry and grumpy. The important thing is to learn how to manage your inner chimp as ultimately you have to be responsible for your actions.

Max

# Morrisons- Seeds of Hope Project



This week both Hob Moor Primary and Hob Moor Oaks were kindly gifted two 'Bags of Hope' from Morrisons Acomb. The bags contained seeds of hope, giant sunflower seeds and some fantastic booklets for the children to log what they can see happen as the seeds begin to grow. There is also space for the children to keep a written log of the sunflower's growth and create their own sunflower diary! We can't wait to get out and about in the lovely weather to plant the seeds, and watch closely to see how tall they grow! Thank you Morrisons for such a fab Spring treat!

We will be holding our next birthday party day on Thursday 29th April 2021.

This will be a chance to celebrate all the children who have had a birthday from November to April. On this day, the children are welcome to come into school in their party clothes.

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This year we will be taking part in the NSPCC Number Day. We are asking children to come to school wearing an item of clothing with numbers or a pattern on it to tie in with our maths fundraising day. We will not be accepting cash payments but donations can be paid via ParentPay. If you would like to make a donation please logon to ParentPay to make your payment and help us raise money for the NSPCC. Thank you.

# Hob Moor Baby Boom

We would like to announce the exciting news that Mrs Borszowski has welcomed her new arrival Izabella Katalina Alice and Miss Kirby who has also welcomed her new baby daughter Birdie Eenie weighing 6lb 4oz. We send them all our best wishes and congratulations.





Family Matters York are running a selection of parenting courses throughout April and May and there are still places available. The courses are available online via Zoom, to book or for more information on any of their courses please visit: https://fmy.org.uk/parenting/ or email: helenatkinson@fmy.org.uk.

# Stars of the Week

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# 16th April 2021

Swan Jackson for trying his hardest in all lessons, especially in review when he wrote an amazing sentence all by himself. Jackson has also been a super helper in the areas!

Robin Emily for writing and illustrating an amazing dinosaur story!

Toucan Lexi for an amazing first week in her new class, settling in straight away and making friends! Well done. Parrot Lexi for making a super effort in improving her joined up writing! It has improved so much, well done! **Woodpecker** Demi-Lacey for being such a positive member of Team Woodpecker!

**Puffin** Lexi-Rose for being a kind and supportive team member. Working hard in all her learning.

Albatross Blake, what a great return to school- such a great attitude to learning this week Blake!

Razorbill Ruban for a fantastic attitude to all his work this new term so far, particularly his reasoning in maths. Keep up the great work!

Osprey Riley for settling back into school after half term with a much more positive attitude. Well done Riley! Eagle Jack for his amazing effort and hard work with his teachers. You are a ray of sunshine Robyn! 'Battle of the Somme' writing.

Hawk Suzie for her beautiful poem in response to 'In Flanders Fields.'

**Falcon** Gabriela for always working hard and having a fantastic attitude to work.

### Wellbeing Award

Ruban for a wonderful start back and a positive attitude to his learning

Jack for a wonderful understanding and contribution to the "inner chimp" training

# **Mrs Cousins Headteacher Award**

Lacie for her fabulous contributions during our 'Me and my Chimp' session. Kimberley was very impressed!

Swan Eddie for settling in really well to Team Swans and making lots of new friends!

Robin Isabella for her amazing subtraction knowledge during our maths sessions this week!

Toucan Zelal for making amazing progress in her phonics and increased confidence when working independently **Parrot** Aaron for fantastic perseverance and effort in this week's Maths challenge booklets!

Woodpecker Ruby-Mai for amazing effort in this week's Maths challenge!

**Puffin** Nicky for having a brilliant week!

Albatross Lydia for an amazing attitude to all her learning this week and showing great determination

Razorbill Amelia for great work during assessment week and always having a sunny, positive attitude in school. **Osprey** Jack for being a supportive team member and helping his friends.

Eagle Sebastian for his powerful WW1 poem about 'The White Feathers'. Well done Seb!

**Hawk** Robyn for her wonderfully positive attitude in school, both to her learning and to her peers and

Falcon Harvey for ALWAYS being amazing, having a fantastic attitude to learning and generally being brilliant. His debating skills were incredibly impressive this week!

## **Wellbeing Award**

Jack and Liam for being very supportive friends Mrs Cousins Headteacher Award

Ava for being such a reliable member of Team Osprey! Thank You for always being ready to help your teacher



