



Friday Letter for Parents and Carers

15th October 2021



Headteacher Update

Diary Dates

October

25-29th Half Term Holidays

November

18th Children in Need- Wear Something Spotty

19th Training Day

December

20th Dec-3rd Jan Christmas Holidays

Any changes/additions will be marked in red

Dear Parents and Carers

What a perfect week to 'Walk to School!'

It's been great to see how keen the children have been to get their walking boots on or jump on their bike to gain a point to go towards our entry to the Jack Archer Award. Let's hope the weather stays pleasant for our half term break.

This week I have spent lots of time in lessons with the children, seen some really impressive writing and been delighted by how keen they are to talk to me about their reading. The Year 3/4 children have been writing a persuasive letter to persuade me not to appoint 'Coach Ghengis' to our staff team, they'll be pleased to

hear I decided NOT to recruit him!

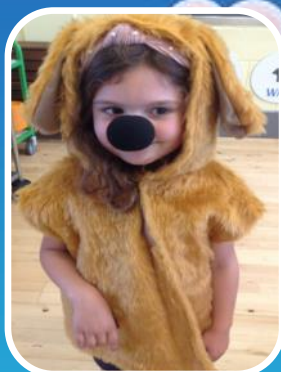
Team Robin had lots of children on 'WOW' this week for the writing they did after a visit from Red Ted.

Well done everyone for a great week's work, you all deserve a lovely weekend so we're ready for the final week of our half term.

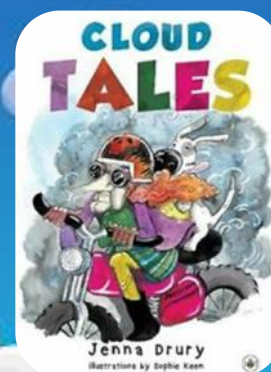
Debbie Cousins



Cloud Tales



The last two Fridays we have had the pleasure of Jenna Drury who wrote the book Cloud Tales. Each class from Key Stage one had a story from the book read to them and came up with ideas on how the story ended. It was fantastic to see each class act out their endings as they all worked together as teams becoming actors in the making. Jenna helped and encouraged each class team to find their inner characters to act out their endings which were amazing and so creative well done everyone.



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20 - 26 OCTOBER 2021

Spanning the October half term, York Design Week will have fun and educational events for all the family. Come and take part in workshops, exhibitions and events that aim to help make our city a better place to live by working together and sharing perspectives. Learn about drawing machines, explore dream spaces, make your mark on a big shared painting and help build a cardboard prototype community space. Come and shape the future of York!

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Children in Need


Thursday 18th November
This year we are asking the children to wear something spotty and if possible bring a donation to help us raise money for Children in Need.
Thank you



School Council

We are pleased to have selected our new School Council Members. All interested children expressed their interest verbally or completed an application form. So many children were keen to help our school and this was wonderful to see. I loved hearing their ideas which varied from new ideas for playtimes to ways our school can help in the community. I think my personal favourite was adopting goats to keep the grass nice and short! We have had our first meeting and the children have been given areas of responsibility such as 'Outside Environment'. We felt this was the best way to keep the tasks manageable and for everybody to have some responsibility. All of the children shared some great ideas and we had a lovely discussion. I look forward to meeting with them again soon. Mrs Yarnold

Family Matters York have courses starting after half term, some online and some in person. The courses are as follows: **Handling Anger in the Family, Time Out for Parents -The Teenage Years, Time Out for Parents –Children with Additional Needs and Time Out for Dads.** To book a place or for further information please visit: <https://fmy.org.uk/parenting/> or email: helenatkinson@fmy.org.uk.



Stars of the Week

8th October 2021

Swan Abigail for creating an amazing Princess game in the areas and playing it really nicely with her friends!

Robin Elsie for her fantastic writing this week, where she has been writing lots of CVC words!

Toucan Reggie for always trying his hardest in everything that he does and a great start to Year 1!

Parrot Gracie-May for being a kind, considerate and encouraging member of the class!

Woodpecker Chester for amazing effort in Maths with doubles and halves

Puffin Alfie for putting 100% effort into his reading all week, it is a pleasure to listen to Alfie tell a story

Albatross Oscar for contributing fantastic ideas for our persuasive writing about Global warming

Razorbill Lilly for a much improved attitude towards her learning and brilliant effort in swimming

Osprey Imogen for celebrating the achievements of her team and herself with positivity and pride

Eagle Harvey for excellent effort and progress in maths

Hawk Dunya for working really hard with her Maths work this week

Summer for all the work she has done on her home learning and coming back to school fully ready for the class writing task

Falcon Lacey for her great maths work this week!

Wellbeing Award

Lilly for working really hard with Miss Brady and showing maturity

Rian for enjoying a full week in school

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Swan Otto for reading the story 'Owl Babies' and remembering lots of the key words and events that happened in it. Superstar!

Robin Savannah for being an amazing friend, helping and encouraging her friends to try new activities when they were a little nervous

Toucan Dexter for a great start to Year 1 and always trying his hardest!

Parrot Isabella for super reasoning in Maths and being a Phonics superstar in her new Phonics groups!

Woodpecker Phoebe for being a superstar during phonics and having an amazing attitude to her learning!

Puffin Oliver for writing an amazing, detailed and thoughtful persuasive advert and reading it so passionately

Albatross Lydia for great participation in our reading circles, sharing valuable ideas and predictions

Razorbill Bella-Rose for doing some fantastic persuasive writing

Osprey George for being an amazing team member, supporting others whilst always trying to be his best self

Eagle Bryoni for always trying her best and being such a positive member of the class.

Hawk Tyler for absolutely superb mathematical reasoning skills and all round hardworking attitude

Falcon Lucas for amazing work in writing! Well done!

Wellbeing Award

Millie for trying hard to use positive strategies to manage big feelings

Mrs Cousins Headteachers Award

Maya for getting on board with Walk 2 School week and taking on the long journey to school, on foot, with her dad!