



Friday Letter for Parents and Carers

11th February 2022



Headteacher Update

Diary Dates

February

14th Valentines Disco
14th 'Worry Wizard' Big Foot
Arts Group Workshops
21-25th Half Term

March

4th World Book Day
18th Red Nose Day- 'Funny
is Power'

11th Training Day

April

11-22nd Easter Holidays

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank You to everyone who gave a kind donation last Friday for the NSPCC and the Children's Heart Foundation. The children had lots of fun on 'Number Day' working on lots of great number activities to practise their maths skills.

Our day ended with a really memorable 'Masked Mathematician' assembly where the children solved number problems to guess the identity of the teacher behind the mask.

Everyone is looking forward to a dance at the Valentine's disco on Monday and some positive family time at half term.

I look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday 28th February.



Debbie Cousins



Swans and Robins



This term Robins and Swans have been focusing on 'Protecting what's Precious'. On Friday, we went on a Season's walk to West Bank Park to investigate changes in the environment caused by the seasons. We also explored signs of winter on a scavenger hunt where we had lots of fun searching the wooded area, spying for different winter plants and animals. We also made some observational drawings with chalk of what we could see around us such as the bare trees and lots of the squirrels that we had spotted! Thank you to all the parents and carers that volunteered to come with us on the trip. We really appreciate it!



In January key stage 1 went back in time to the 1960s for their new topic 'The swinging sixties.' We have been researching all about the famous faces of the 60s such as Neil Armstrong, The Beatles, Andy Warhol and Bobby Moore. Last Wednesday we launched into space with Neil Armstrong and his crew landing on the moon. We were very excited to experience the Cosmo Dome and hear all about Richard's amazing facts. Did you know that footprints last 1 million years on the moon? The children loved watching the launch of Apollo 11 and seeing it blast off right above us. It was incredible to witness the moment when Neil Armstrong steps foot onto the moon and changes history. However we were on the edge of our seats when we saw that the fuel guage was low and they needed to land or they would crash! Thank you to all the parents and carers who contributed to help this amazing experience happen. We are looking forward to sharing all our learning with you next week at our 60s showcase.



Year 5 and 6 had a great time exploring the legacy of Roman's in York. We learnt how important York was as the northern capital of Roman Britain and discovered where we can see their remains. The Roman Emperor Constantine the Great resided in York, ruling the empire from our city! The children enjoyed seeing 2000 year old remains in the undercroft of the Minster and exploring the Roman Baths. As well as learning about the historical significance of our city the children walked 10k and raised over £1000!!!

Valentines Disco

Monday 14th February

Swans/Robins 1.30-2.30pm

KS1 - 2.30-3.15pm

Yr 3/4 - 3.30-4.30

Yr 5/6 - 5.00-6.00pm

Price: £1.00 (Payable on ParentPay)

Children will enjoy a drink and some treats during the disco.

Children will need picking up straight after the disco, please let school know if someone different will be picking up your child.

Thank you

Thank you to everyone for your kind donations towards last week's NSPCC Number Day and the Children's Heart Surgery Fund wear red day. We raised £86.30 which will be split between these two worthy charities.



Drop in Flu Clinic

There will be a walk in clinic for the Flu nasal spray at Costa Coffee shop in Haxby on Wednesday 23rd February.

Family Matters York have parenting courses starting in March, 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 -The Primary Years.** To book a place or for further information please contact Helen Atkinson on 07393 147259 email helenatkinson@fmy.org.uk or visit: <https://fmy.org.uk/parenting/>



Stars of the Week

4th February

Swan Elsie for challenging herself, especially at Review time when she writes her sentence carefully

Robin Sarah for her amazing subitising in maths this week, where she has spied lots of groups of numbers!

Toucan Kian for his amazing non-chronological report about Neil Armstrong!

Parrot Kimberly for showing a grown up attitude to her work and giving her best all week!

Woodpecker Everyone for showing so much perseverance and effort during the online lessons. You have made Miss Ward, Mrs Young and Mr Hinde so proud!

Puffin Rowan for being a lovely, kind and considerate role model whilst on our school trip

Albatross Nicky for sharing his previous knowledge of perimeter and using it to solve perimeter problems.

Razorbill Bella-Rose for showing such amazing resilience on our river walk this week and carrying on even when things felt difficult!

Osprey Everyone for their amazing attitude and behaviour during our Roman trip into York, showing great stamina to complete the 10 km route!

Eagle Everyone for completing a 10km trip around York with enthusiasm, for being great ambassadors for Hob Moor and for persevering despite struggling towards the end.

Hawk Everyone for being fantastic representatives for our school during our Roman trip on Wednesday. They were polite to the public, enthusiastic about the sites and coped brilliantly with a challenging 10k walk.

Falcon Everyone for being the best role models on our trip and showing endurance and resilience when walking the 10k and managing to complete it!

Wellbeing Award

Lacey for most improved attendance for this year so far

Mrs Cousins Headteachers Award

Thomas & Evie for fantastic fundraising, raising the most money for our sponsored walk this week. Well done!

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Swan Millie-Rose for playing an amazing cafe game and returning to it throughout the week

Robin Lexi for her fantastic reading this week, where she has been reading for fluency

Toucan Jackson for his super efforts in English and Maths, in particular his acrostic poem about Bobby Moore!

Parrot Emily for super problem solving and engineering when building her prototype moon buggy model!

Woodpecker Maya-Rose for super effort and contributions during whole class reading!

Puffin Naman for always rising to any challenge we give him. Whether a difficult maths problem, an art project or reading a book Naman always gives his all. He is a pleasure to teach

Albatross Zara for showing enthusiasm in her learning and trying hard in her maths and writing

Razorbill Lilly for a hugely improved attitude to her learning and showing respect to her teachers and teammates. Well done Lilly, keep it up!

Osprey Freya for having a positive attitude to her learning and friendships

Eagle Bryce for continued hard work and effort in class as well as superb progress in maths this week. Well done Bryce!

Hawk Riley for his fantastic positive attitude this week, working really hard and clearly expressing how he feels

Falcon Leah for fantastic work on Autism

Wellbeing Award

Emily for being in school everyday with a beautiful smile