



Friday Letter for Parents and Carers

12th July 2024



Headteacher Update

Events and opportunities continue with their usual buzz as we approach the final week of this academic year and near the long Summer holiday!

The children and staff have all worked incredibly hard, and we are so proud of each and every one of our children. Whilst we celebrate all we have achieved, a special mention must go to our Year 6 leavers. Year 6 performed amazingly well in their summer festival 'Social Me'.

All the children have worked hard on their enterprise activity and we are hoping they have raised lots of money for an extra special end of year treat. The children have been smiling non-stop and are so proud of their businesses. Thank you to all the Year 6 staff who have made this such a fabulous event, and to York Dance Space who worked with the children over 8 weeks to choreograph, and perform, such a memorable dance.

Fond Farewells:

Year 6, you will all be very much missed, but we know you have such wonderful adventures ahead as you move onto your new schools. Good luck and goodbye!

As the school year draws to a close, we find ourselves saying goodbye to: Mr Diggins, Mrs Dobson and Miss Miles. We wish them all the best as they are embarking on exciting new journeys.

We would like to say a special message to Mrs Lyons and Mrs Hanson who, after years of dedicated service, are embarking on a well-deserved retirement. We're filled with immense gratitude for their dedication and service, and a touch of sadness to see them go.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Robinson



KS1

This half term in Key Stage One, our exciting topic has been "From Farm to Fork," where we have been exploring the fascinating journeys that our food takes before it reaches our plates. The children have engaged in various activities and lessons, discovering how different foods are grown, harvested, processed, and transported. The highlight of our term was undoubtedly this week's visit to Farmer Dave's farm. The Key Stage 1 children were thrilled to have this hands-on learning experience, which brought our classroom lessons to life in a vibrant and memorable way.

Upon arriving at the farm, the children got to feel and see a variety of seeds which grow into different crops such as wheat and barley. They were then super eager to see the vast array of machinery that farmers use in their daily tasks. From tractors to ploughs, each piece of equipment was explained and demonstrated, showing the children how technology aids in farming. We even got to test our strength of horsepower to see if we could make the trailers and tractors move!

The visit continued with a tour of the barn, where the children saw cows up close. They learned about the different breeds of cows and their role on the farm, from milk production to contributing to the meat supply. Did you know that a cow has 4 stomachs? The children were amazed to see the cows and enjoyed learning about their diet and habits. We then got to try out the exciting cattle handler machine. The children got to experience first hand how the farmers check to see if the cows are healthy and how they get their injections.

This visit to Farmer Dave's farm has been an invaluable part of our "From Farm to Fork" topic, providing a tangible and interactive experience that the children will remember for years to come. The children returned to school with a deeper appreciation of where their food comes from and the hard work that goes into farming.

Our class attendance this week is...

w/c	Orca	Turtle	Seashells	Octopus	Seahorse	Dolphin	Stingray	Lobster	Puffer Fish	Shark	Sea Otter	Whale
24.06.24	87.40%	93.30%	70.80%	93.80%	94.70%	88.00%	94.80%	89.10%	91.80%	94.70%	88.40%	85.30%
01.07.24	83.80%	89.60%	83.30%	98.30%	95.80%	94.40%	91.70%	94.30%	95.80%	93.80%	88.60%	83.20%



KS1 at Grasslands Farm

Stars of the Week

5th July

Orca

Carter for arriving at Nursery happily, choosing his own activities and really trying to follow all the Nursery routines. Well done Carter.

Ezel for arriving at Nursery happy and confident, and for beginning to use his speech with his friends when playing. Well done Ezel.

Octopus

Bella for being a Superstar this half term & working hard to push herself to follow our REACH values.

Seahorse

Grace for being a great role model & always showing our REACH values!

Dolphin

Team Dolphin for working together to produce and perform an amazing class assembly, and for representing our school so well on yesterday's trip to Grasslands farm!

Stingray

Elif for always showing and demonstrating the school's REACH values. You show fantastic attitude and effort in all your learning to try and improve yourself further. Well done Elif.

Lobster

Elliott for trying super hard in his independent write and in his maths assessments too. Well done Elliott. I am so proud of the progress you have made! Keep up the hard work!

Puffer Fish

Joshi for taking his project work to the high road - redesigning road systems and writing stories about roads. His imagination is incredible! Well done Joshi!

Shark

Isaac for continuing with an amazing attitude & showcasing amazing ideas for the Summer Festival.

Sea Otter

A huge well done, Scarlett! You've been a true star this week with your fantastic attitude to learning. Especially your writing efforts - they've wowed us all. Keep up the fantastic work, you're a real inspiration to the class!

Whale

Zachary for achieving fantastic results in his Maths test and working hard to help others to improve.

Miss Miles

Demi-Lacey for always being super helpful in, and outside, of class, and always contributing amazingly in lessons.

Deputy Headteacher Award

Ryan for putting so much effort into his writing, maths and reading.