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Next Week's Events

Monday 25th March –Multi skills sports club / pay and play. Book Fair after school

Tuesday 26th March– Year 5 children to Outdoor Sport Festival at Dalby Forest

Pay & Play after school club

SAT's revision class continues

Wednesday 27th March–Joolz after school club followed by Pay & Play.

Book Fair 3.30-4.15pm

Thursday 28th March– AJ Academy after school club followed by Pay & Play club

Future Diary Dates

Tuesday 9th April – Archery day at Melsonby School

Wednesday 1st May – Whole school trip to Life Centre

Monday 13th – Thursday 16th May – SAT's week for year 6 children

Thursday 23rd May –First of 6 Rugby sessions with Darlington Mowden Park RFC for junior children

Don't Forget:

Signed reading records Monday (years 4, 5 & 6).

Waterproof coat every day

PE kit to keep in school

Awards:

Mrs Sayer's achiever: Callum for committing to his written work with enthusiasm

Miss Cheesbrough's achiever: Mia for working hard with measurement

Head teacher's Award: Matthew for his continuous & conscientious attitude to all his learning

Book Fair

On Monday 25th & Wednesday 27th March we are having a Travelling Books book fair in the dining hall from 3.30pm – 4.15pm. This is a great opportunity for you to purchase fantastic value-for-money books for your children and we earn commission on purchases so then can re-stock our school library.

Attached to this newsletter is a sheet to design the front cover of a book.

Easter

We are planning an Easter egg hunt on Thursday 11th April. We would be grateful of donations small Easter Eggs. Thank you.

Competition

Attached to this newsletter is a design sheet for the front cover of a book. If the children wish to, we would like them to design the front cover of Macbeth. Entries should be returned to Mrs Hughes, with 50p entry fee, and they will be judged on Monday. There will be a winner from Reception/Year 1/Year 2, a winner from Year 3/4 and a winner from Year 5/6. All three winners will receive a book token to spend at the book fair next week.

Macbeth - A Shakespeare Play in a Day

On Tuesday, we were treated to a fantastic day of Shakespearean fun and entertainment. It was another great opportunity for everyone to work together and friendships are forming across our, new to be, Federation. During the day the children practised together, made props together, played together, ate together and performed (brilliantly) together. It was also great to see just how many parents came to enjoy the children's performance, together.





Archery Day

On Tuesday the 9th of April, we will be hosting another collaborative event at Melsonby Methodist Primary School. Children and staff from North and South Cowton Community Primary School will be joining us for a fun filled day of archery and other physical events. There will also be an opportunity for parents to have a go at archery on the village field between 3.30pm and 4.00pm, everyone is welcome.

Cross Country – Aiden

Next Tuesday, one of our year 3 children, Aiden, will be competing in the Level 3 Cross Country Competition at Dalby Forest. At the previous event, he finished second in his year group which made him eligible for the next round. We wish Aiden good luck!

Absence from school

A reminder that if the children are off ill, we need written confirmation of this, on their return. Thank you.

Governor Vacancies

Attached to this newsletter is a letter regarding parent governor vacancies. The letter is self-explanatory but if you have any further questions or queries, please do not hesitate to ask.

Parent's afternoon/evening

Monday 8th April is our parent's afternoon/evening. Ten minute appointments are available to book, via the office. Please do not book with the class teacher as sometimes slots can end up double booked. Appointments will be available from 2.30pm onwards.

Dalby Forest

A reminder that the year 5 pupils will be visiting Dalby Forest on Tuesday to take part in an outdoor sports day. Letters have been given out to parents already with more information.

On Tuesday, Melsonby School came to our school to do a Play in a Day. Because it was Shakespeare week, we did the play Macbeth.

Firstly, we all met in the village hall to meet the man who was putting the play together. But before we started talking about Macbeth, we were all mesmerized by Lee's skills (the man teaching us). He was juggling and balancing swords and shields.

After a while, we were split into three groups – 1, 2 & 3 and our teachers took each group to each station, every group made props, acted and had loads of fun. Because it was a play in a day, we all worked hard.

Groups 1, 2 & 3 each had a part of the play. Part 1 was about Macbeth and Lady Macbeth deciding to kill King Duncan. Part 2 was about the death of King Duncan. And last but not least part 3 was about the death of Macbeth. Prop wise, group 1 made helmets and cups, group 2 made tree hands and group 3 made raven masks.

After lunch, we made final adjustments to props and came all back together to practise Macbeth with everyone.

Finally, we set up for the real show for parents. I felt nervous, but knew it would be fun. So we performed Macbeth and it was brilliant. Everyone enjoyed it.

By Hannah Smith, Year 5

On Tuesday we had a Shakespeare Play in a Day doing one of Shakespeare's plays called Macbeth. The children and staff from Melsonby School joined our school to practise the play with us. We had a man in called Lee from the company called SPLATS.

Both schools were split up into three groups. In group one there were years 2 & 6, in group 2 two there were years 3 & 5 and in group three there were Reception, year 1 & year 4. Our teachers for the day were Mrs Morrice and Miss SB. Group one did their acting first whilst group two made some helmets and my group made some leaf hands out of green paper and green card. We had a template of a leaf and you could either draw around the template or you could draw a leaf free hand.

Secondly, group one made raven masks and group two rehearsed their acting whilst we had a break time. Then it was lunch. After lunch it was group 3 practising our acting. Mrs Morrice and Miss SB chose all of the characters. I was Lady Macbeth and one of my lines was "Out damn spot!" At 14.30 all the parents and other family members came to watch our performance.

By Freya Wilford, Year 4

