



No 24 Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2020

## Next Week's Events

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March** - FREE sports club until 4.30pm followed by Pay & Play after school club

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March**- Team to hockey at Richmond School

FREE sports club until 4.30pm followed by Pay & Play after school club

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March** -

After school club with Connie SAT's club continues for Year 6 pupils 3.30pm - 4.30pm at INFANT building

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March**- Forest Schools for year 3 & 4 pupils

AJ Academy after school club, followed by Pay & Play

## Future Diary Dates

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** - Book Fair

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## THINGS TO REMEMBER - KS2

Signed reading records Monday

Orange spelling books every day

Reading books every day

Full school uniform Wednesday

Trainers every Friday

Musical instruments every Friday

## THINGS TO REMEMBER - KS1

Full school uniform Wednesday

Trainers every Friday

## Achievers

*Infant Achiever: Ollie for good work with numbers*

*Junior Achiever: Nicholas for effort and application of maths*

*Head Teacher's Award: Freya for thorough research and recording in RE*

*Values Award: Alice for always setting a great example in school*

## Heads Up!

World Book Day

On Thursday the school celebrated 'World Book Day' I know that some children and staff enjoy dressing up for the day and we always look forward to seeing the costumes children arrive in however the real reason we celebrate World Book Day is to celebrate the power of reading. It is essential that you continue to support your children in reading regularly at home we are ambitious in school that no child leaves North and South unable to read without confidence, fluency, expression and most importantly enjoyment. Through working together we can achieve this as with the confidence of reading comes the key to unlock other areas of curriculum knowledge.

Wash Your Hands

The Government announced its battle plan to combat the coronavirus this week and as I write this on Friday morning the current total stands at 116. It appears that things may possibly get worse before they get better. Schools are receiving daily updates from the Local Authority and the Government. It is important that we remain calm and listen to the advice provided. In school our main message to children is to continue to wash their hands regularly at lunchtimes and after using the toilet. Both classes have discussed the importance of good hygiene and have been very mature in their approach.

Next week it is British Science Week and the theme is our 'Diverse Planet' - I would like to set a challenge to anyone who would like to create a poster to celebrate our 'Diverse Planet'.

Think about:

Creativity in approach – Innovative angle on the content or creative interpretation of the theme

Content – Clear, accurate and informative

Effective communication – presented and communicated in an engaging way

You could include different habitats, different animals, the impact of pollution or how to care for your local area. There will be a reward for all entrants and a prize for the winner. Entries in by 3:30pm Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March.

Thanks for your continued support

*Richard Linsley, Head teacher*

ENJOY SCHOOL BE READY FOR LIFE

### Forest Schools

Forest Schools started this week, for the year 3 & 4 children. Although the ground was a little boggy in places, the children had a great time working in the outdoor environment.....and the sun was shining too!

### World Book Day

If anybody was around yesterday, they may have seen some unusual and strange looking people in school. For World Book Day, the children and staff were asked to dress as characters from a book. They made a fantastic effort and looked great. Thanks also to the parents who may have assisted!!



### Sport Relief

Next week, to mark Sport Relief, the children will be taking part in a sporting activity each afternoon. Some activities will be outside and others in the village hall. Children should come to school in their PE kits each day and will not need their uniform. There will also be a fruit sale on Monday, with all profits going to Sport Relief, so if your child would like to buy some fruit, they should bring some money with them.

### Junior trip

What a great day out we had on Tuesday. The junior children visited Wensleydale Creamery and the Dales Countryside Museum, both in Hawes, as part of our topic work on National Parks. At the museum they learned about the different industries in the Dales and whilst walking between the two venues, were able to see evidence of these. At the Creamery the children watched a simplified cheese making demonstration where the cheese was made in 20 minutes, unlike the factory method where it takes 5 hours to make a 500g block of cheese. The children watched the factory version from the viewing platform and then got to sample LOTS of cheese in the shop!! Thank you to the parents and friends who kindly donated towards the trip.



### Sports after school clubs Monday & Tuesday

Our sports after school clubs on a Monday and Tuesday are a little lacking in numbers. These are FREE sessions from 3.30pm until 4.30pm and are run by a qualified PE instructor. Sports on offer vary week to week. It would be great if more children could attend, particularly as team games require a certain number on each team in order to be played effectively. Just think, an extra hour after school without the children!!!

**School Council**

The School Council met this week and discussed various issues. One of them was the painting of the bench in the junior playground. The Council would like the children to create a design for the bench. The colours will need to be the same as the bench in the infant playground as we already have the paint (kindly donated) and it is very expensive to buy. Entries should be handed in to Mrs Hughes, no later than Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March. Time to get creative!!

**Assemblies**

A reminder that 3pm on a Monday afternoon is our Celebratory/Open assembly. All parents are welcome to attend and see what the children have been learning during the week. Achievements and attainments are celebrated and the children also have the opportunity to talk about what they have been doing out of school.

**Hockey**

A reminder that the hockey team is taking part in a tournament at Richmond School on Tuesday morning. Those involved have had a letter. The children will be back in time for lunch, although possibly a little later than usual.

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