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'Developing the whole child'

Newsletter Friday 16th March 2018 Our Christian value this half term is Forgiveness

Celebrating our 5th Eco Green Flag This is an outstanding achievement and we are one of few schools in the country to have achieved this. It represents consistently strong practice which is led by our children. They presented our work to the Eco assessor on Friday last week and gave her a tour of the school. The children showed them the Minutes of their meetings and the actions they had taken. The assessor feedback commented on our 'brilliant' children and the 'delightful' school environment. We have completed work in the areas of School grounds, Healthy Living, Biodiversity, Global Citizenship and Litter. Well done to everyone for all your hard work. Pictured below are the children busy on Eco projects.



Letter of Congratulations from the Department of Education We have received a letter from Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP, congratulating staff and pupils on the school's very high standards of achievement in reading and mathematics in the key stage 2 assessments in 2017. This placed our school in the top 1% of primary schools in England for attainment in reading and mathematics. This complements a similar letter received in the autumn term placing our school in the top 3% of all primary schools in the country for phonics results in Year 1. Thank you to everyone, staff, parents and children for all your hard work.

Cross Country Success Well done to all our KS2 pupils who have trained and practised for the cross country event this year. Everyone competed with commitment and determination to complete the course. Congratulations to Ashton Newall, Year 5 and Ellen Newton, Year 5 who have both qualified for the North Yorkshire Finals.

Richmond Cross Country result highlights:

Ashton Newall, 5th place (Y5 boys). Ellen Newton, 8th place (Y5 girls). Scarlet Hunter, 13th place (Y4 girls). Emma White 16th (Y3 girls).



Sport Relief Mile Friday 23rd March 2.30pm

Instead of Special Mentions Assembly next Friday we will be supporting the charity Sports Relief. We ask you to donate £1 and we will run in our year groups in a circuit around the field. You are welcome to come and run with your child or to spectate! Reception children will start our races at 2.30pm with other year groups following. Children will return to classes following the racing and home time will still be 3.30pm.

School Council will be selling wrist bands next week for £1 to support the charity. Please ensure your child has **outdoor PE clothes and trainers** suitable for running around the field.

Marrick Priory Residential October 2018 for Y5/6 All children have letters with consent and further details sent home tonight.

Class 2's Parental Assembly is on Thursday 22nd March 9.30am. All Class 2 parents and carers welcome.

NSPCC Staying Safe online campaign - Parent's Presentation on Thursday 22nd

March at 6pm The NSPCC Staying Safe online campaign will be giving a presentation to parents in school. Lots of top tips to help keep your child safe online.

Clubs finish next week. No Gymnastics Club on Monday 19th March.

Easter Activities Each child has a template Easter egg to decorate, if they wish, for a competition run by Catterick Premier Inn. Please put the child's name and year group on the back and return to school by next Friday 23rd March.

Decorate an egg and Easter bonnet competition. Egg rolling Tuesday 27th March

Please complete your entries at home and bring them to school on Tuesday morning. Also bring 50p for the Friends of School egg tombola. You will need a plain hard boiled egg for the egg rolling in the afternoon. Parents/carers are welcome to watch the egg rolling in the playground at 2pm. **Friends of the School will provide refreshments and a cake stall for the Egg rolling. Donations of cakes requested.**

Easter Service in Church at 2pm on Thursday 29th March Everyone is welcome.