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'Developing the whole child'

Newsletter Friday 23rd March 2018 Our Christian value this half term is Forgiveness

Easter Activities and traditions at Bolton-on-Swale On the morning of Tuesday 27th March the children are asked to bring in a **decorated hard boiled egg and an Easter bonnet/hat if they wish**. They also need a **spare hard boiled egg** for the egg rolling in the afternoon. Prizes are awarded in age categories and the eggs and bonnets are on display. Friends of the School will also run an Easter tombola and the children will need **50p to take part in this**. On the afternoon of Tuesday 27th March at 2pm you are invited to join us to watch the children roll their eggs. We will also present the prizes donated by Friends of the School for the egg decorating and bonnet competitions.

Friends of the School Refreshments and Cake Stall During the egg rolling on the afternoon of Tuesday 27th March FoS are selling refreshments and cakes. **Donations of cakes - please bring these to school on Tuesday morning 27th March.**

On Thursday 29th March at 2pm you are invited to join us at **St Mary's Church for our Easter Service**, led by the children. Children will walk back to school with their class following the service and we will finish for Easter at 3.30pm as normal.

Book Fair open from today Our Book Fair was rearranged from the snow week and will be open tonight after school and before and after school each day next week.

NSPCC Staying Safe online campaign Thank you to everyone who came to hear the online safety messages last night. O₂ and NSPCC are working together and have a free online safety helpline open weekdays, evenings and weekends for free advice about any issues. They will guide you through how to put parental controls onto devices and queries about the suitability of Apps and games your child may want to download.

O₂ NSPCC free online helpline: 0808 800 5002

O₂ stores will also put parental controls onto your child's devices if you take them in to a store. There is no charge and you do not have to be an O₂ customer.

O₂ NSPCC also recommend the website <https://www.net-aware.org.uk> Search for a site, game or App and it will give you advice about the content and suitability.

The key message was to have conversations with your child and share in any online activities. Explore, Talk, Manage, Agree.

Class Assembly Congratulations All our classes have enjoyed sharing their learning with parents and carers this half term. It was a wonderful insight into their work across all curriculum areas with excellent speaking, listening, drama and singing also. Thank you for supporting us.

Cross Country North Yorkshire Finals Results Congratulations to Ashton Newall, Year 5 who finished in 26th place and Ellen Newton who finished in 43rd place. These are great achievements across the whole of North Yorkshire. We are all looking forward to running our Sports Relief Mile this afternoon.

Clubs have finished for this term Thank you to all our staff and parents who run these voluntarily. Clubs will restart in the week beginning 23rd April.

Decorate an egg for Catterick Premier Inn Competition These will be judged and prizes presented in school next week. All the entries will be on display in the entrance area of Premier Inn over Easter.

Year 6 Parents SATs Information evening This has been rearranged from the snow week to this **Monday 26th March at 6pm in Class 4.** Mrs Jones will share important information to help you support your child as they move towards the end of Year 6 and prepare for Secondary School.

Easter Holiday Sporting Activities Mike Layfield will be running cricket and football sessions during the 2 weeks of the Easter holidays. Details of times and age

groups are available on forms from the office.

Parish News Rev Yvonne would like to share details of the Palm Sunday service at Easby and an Easter Eve sleep over suitable for Year 6 upwards.


Palm Sunday
St Agatha's Church Easby
25th March

If you wish to join the procession please meet by Easby Hall at 10am

From where we will walk down the hill to join the congregation in church to begin the service at 10.30am

The service will be followed by a bring and share lunch of simple foods such as soup, cheese and bread.



For more information please contact admin@esbb.co.uk or contact the Parish Office: 01748 810613



Join the Journey
Saturday 31st March 2018



We would love to invite you to journey with us as we watch, wait and pray together, from low Saturday on Easter Eve to the Resurrection of Easter Day, as we have an Easter Sleep Over in the ancient church of St Agatha, Easby. After the vigil service we will have fun with activities, games, stories of "mind the gap", pizza, and film.



Everyone is welcome to the Easter Eve Vigil Service at 6pm. After the service there is the opportunity to watch, wait and pray as the young people gather for their time together.

Everyone is most welcome to stay from 6-9pm, those who are between year 6 and under 18 years old are invited to register (by the 18th March) to continue the Easter Eve Vigil and sleepover in the church. We will then be part of the Easter Dawn Service in Easby Abbey after which we will share breakfast together.

For more information or to book in please contact: sianlawton@esbb.co.uk or call 01748 810 613

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

Nicola Dobson