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'Developing the whole child'

Newsletter Friday 24th January 2020 Our Christian value this term is Love

Working together as a team As part of 'developing the whole child' we recognise the importance of giving our children opportunities to work collaboratively together.

Our Materials Hunt in Science took Class 2 on an exploration both indoors and outdoors.



The Eco Team had great fun making bird food.



Gymnastics in Class 4 has required lots of cooperation and team work this week.



RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch Homework Challenge Take the opportunity to work together with your family this weekend to take part in this years annual RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch.

BIG Garden Birdwatch



Sports Premium Funding We use our funding for PE and sport to widen participation in all sports; to upskill our own staff and pupils; to encourage health and fitness; to support our competition structure and our extra curricular clubs offer. This half term we are funding clubs for Gymnastics, Dance and Fitness and coaching for our Netball and Gymnastics Team to enter competitions.

Outdoor Education Experience for Y3/4 For the first time we are offering our Year 3/4 children the opportunity to spend a day at Carlton Lodge near Thirsk. This is a North Yorkshire approved Outdoor Education Centre which Class 3 will visit for the day on Tuesday 24th March. They will work in teams with qualified instructors and school staff to experience: canoeing, climbing, archery and orienteering. We plan to offer this on a two year cycle for all our Y3/4 children to experience. It will be good preparation for their Outdoor Residential Week in Y5/6 at Marrick Priory.

Our Y5/6 Netball Team who were winners of the Richmond Area tournament before Christmas will compete in the North of County final next Tuesday afternoon 28th January. They have been training hard and we wish them good luck.

Key assessment dates for 2020

Year 6 SATs week is Monday 11th-Thursday 14th May

Year 1 children have a phonics check in the week of **Monday 8th June**.

Year 2 children complete statutory assessments during **May**. These assessments take place with your child's own class teacher as part of their normal learning week in school.

Year 4 children have a Multiplication Tables Check during June. **Year 4 children are expected to know all Times Tables up to 12x with rapid mixed recall.** eg $9 \times 12 =$ $7 \times 8 =$ We are focussing on this in class and with homework tasks. Times Tables Rock Stars and the apps and websites listed here are also good ways to practice; or simply chant your times tables together: $0 \times 8 = 0$, $1 \times 8 = 8$, $2 \times 8 = 16$, $3 \times 8 = 24$, $4 \times 8 = 32$, $5 \times 8 = 40$ etc to $12 \times 8 = 96$.

Educational websites to support learning

Maths websites to help:

www.topmarks.co.uk

<http://www.crickweb.co.uk/>

ks2numeracy.html<http://mathsframe.co.uk/>

Apps for Times Tables Learning Bubble Pop Multiplication; Squeebles Times Tables

Times Tables RockStars Your child has an individual login. Please ask their teacher if you are unsure.

Discovery Education Espresso This is an online learning resource your child can access at home. It has a huge range of resources directly relevant to your child's learning in all areas. There is great weekly news; online safety information; games and exciting videos linked to all primary curriculum areas.

www.espresso.co.uk/ Username: student23945
Password: bolton

Staffing in School Mrs Dobson has been called to do Jury Service. She expects to finish on Friday 31st January. Mrs Reynolds, as Deputy Head is responsible in her absence.

No recorder club on Friday 24th January or Friday 31st January due to Mrs Dobson's Jury Service. All other clubs as normal.

Diary Dates for this term A full list of diary dates have been sent home. You can also find these dates in the School Information/Calendar section of our website.

Parent Teacher Consultations Your child's teacher will share their progress and ways of supporting at our **Parent Teacher Consultation Meetings on Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th February**. Please sign up in the office entrance area or ring or email the office. These Parent Teacher Consultations are for all children from Reception to Year 6.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any queries.

Yours sincerely,

Paula Reynolds

Deputy Head