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'Developing the whole child'

Newsletter Monday 15th July 2019 Our Christian value this half term is 'Community'

Congratulations to all our children in school on their excellent progress and academic results

We are very proud of all our children. As a school we work very hard with parents to ensure each child achieves their potential. Once again we are celebrating **excellent Y6 SAT results**. We would like to congratulate our Y6 children and their parents and all our staff on the excellent Y6 SAT results once again this year.

Grammar, Punctuation, Spelling Test 100% achieved expected or better (National 78%)

Reading Test 87% achieved expected or better (National 75%)

Writing 93% achieved expected or better (National 78%)

Maths 93% achieved expected or better (National 76%)

As a small school with a cohort size of only 15 Y6 pupils there are clearly variations year on year.

Our 3 year average for Reading, Writing and Maths combined is 89% (National average 63%).

Reports for children in Years 1 -6 went home on Friday and these contain further information and detail about your child's progress this year. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher.

'Developing the Whole Child' We value very highly the achievements of our children in all aspects of their lives and want to see them flourishing to be their very best selves. As our Year 6 children prepare to leave us we celebrate their full range of achievements: caring and considerate of the needs of others with values underpinned by our Christian ethos; confident and articulate with experience of speaking in public and performing to an audience; team players who are resilient and determined to keep trying developed through sporting participation and residential visits such as Marrick Priory; an appreciation of the global world through our Eco work; a love of learning inspired by visits and experiences across the curriculum in areas such as literature, music, art, design, science, history, geography.

North Yorkshire Youth Games Sunday 7th July

Congratulations to our Year 3/4 tennis team and Year 5/6 netball team who competed at County level on Sunday. Our tennis team finished in 2nd place overall and our netball team in 5th place. Competing across County at this level is an amazing achievement for our school. A huge thank you to our school

staff, Mr Ramsbottom, Mrs Jones and Mrs Thorogood who accompanied the children and to parents for their support. Netball team left and Tennis Team right with Olympic gymnast, Craig Heap.



Transition between classes On Monday morning last week the children spent time in their new classes for September. Today we are holding our open classroom drop in at 3.30pm. This is an opportunity to visit your child's new classroom and teacher for September and to see their work and books from this term. We will send your child's books home with them on Thursday this week. **Please bring a carrier bag into school by Thursday with your child's name on so that we can send books home.**

Summer Fair Success - Thank you A huge thank you to Friends of the School, all our helpers, parents and friends who came to support us on Friday afternoon. Thank you also to everyone who donated so generously and for the support from our local community and businesses. We are waiting for the final total raised to be calculated. Fundraising from previous years is funding 16 new laptops which will be available for the children from September in addition to our existing computers. We are currently fundraising to redevelop our pond area and will keep you up to date on progress with this. The sun shone and we had a wonderful time. Everyone loved the Maypole dancing too!



Sports Day Wednesday 17th July at 1.30pm

Everyone is invited to join us on Wednesday afternoon to watch the children take part in a variety of activities and races. The children need to wear their school PE kit (white t shirt and dark shorts). The children represent their house colour; red, blue, green, yellow and they can, if they wish, wear a t- shirt of this colour instead. Please do not make a special purchase- white t- shirts are fine. Please send a cap and apply sun cream. There is lots of shade on our field and water will be readily available. **If you have a gazebo which you could lend us for the afternoon of Sports Day to provide the children with shade please let us know.**

Music Concert Congratulations Many congratulations to all our children who performed in our music concert last Thursday night. Our children played their instruments and sang to a very high standard. Thank you for coming to support them.



Gold School Games Mark Award 2018/19



We are delighted to have had the high quality of our Sport and PE recognised by the awarding of the Gold School Games Mark Award.

Saying farewell to Paula our Cook We are very sad to be saying farewell to Paula Sutterby our cook this summer. The children will be saying a special good bye in assembly on Thursday morning.

Cost of School lunch from September 2019 Due to increased costs from County Caterers a school lunch will be priced at £2.75 per day (£13.75) per week from September 2019. Children from Reception to Y2 will continue to receive free lunches through government funding.

Date reminders till the end of term:

Wed 17th July Sports Day 1.30pm (Reserve date Thurs 18th July am)

Fri 19th July Leavers Assembly 2.30pm. Finish for Summer 3.30pm

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any queries about school.

Yours sincerely,

Nicola Dobson