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'Developing the whole child'

Newsletter Friday 4th October 2019 Our Christian value this half term is 'Friendship'

Whole School Theatre Performance of 'The Railway Children' Everyone from Reception to Year 6 thoroughly enjoyed this outstanding theatre performance. Once again the children in Class 4 took part in a stagecraft workshop following the performance where they learnt about special effects, sound, lighting and costume. The Railway Children novel is also their class reader for this term. Thank you to Friends of the School for funding this event for the whole school.



Congratulations to everyone for great poetry reading We have been very impressed with the high quality of poems learnt and the excellent delivery as we shared our poems in class. Thank you to parents who supported this homework. Well done if you really challenged yourself in your choice of poetry. We will aim to try and share some of these at Special Mentions or class assemblies in the next few weeks.

Exploring our natural environment and autumn days Classes 1 and 2 have enjoyed our seasonal autumn weather this week. They have observed, using all their senses and collected and recorded signs of autumn. The colours of autumn have inspired their art work, poetry and prayers.



Vikings for the day! Class 3 had a wonderful living history day at Danelaw Viking village. They explored life as Vikings, looking at replica artefacts; living and exploring the reconstructed Viking village; making clay pots and taking part in role play. They even defended their village from Saxon attack.



Cross Country Competition for KS2
 Congratulations to the 40 children from KS2 who competed so well in the cross country competition on Wednesday at Richmond School. Everyone persevered to complete the course and there were some great individual performances also. Congratulations to Emma White who has qualified for the North Yorkshire final at Danby Forest.



A reminder to Reception parents to complete the online health questionnaire.

Register online for your child to have the flu vaccination in school for Reception to Year 6

Go to www.hdft.nhs.uk/flu-consent.

Click on the link in the grey box which says "Click here for the online consent form."

Enter the School Code **121604** and click "Find School".

Complete the form with your child's information and parent/guardian contact information*. Click the green "Submit" button.

Book Fair will be open before and after school starting after school on Friday 4th until after school on Thursday 10th October. Commission from sales of books supports the restocking of our class and school libraries.

Fundraising with Bags2School Friends of the School organise this fundraising activity. Bags should be returned by 9.00am on Wednesday 9th October.

Class 1 Parental Assembly reminder Parents and carers of children in Class 1 are invited into school on Thursday 17th October at 9.30am to share in this with us.

Parent Governor Vacancy We have one vacancy for a parent governor on our governing body. Letters have gone home today with more detailed information. The closing date for nominations is not until Friday 18th October so please do speak to me if you would like more information about what is involved.

Individual School Photographs These will be taken next Friday morning 11th October in school time. We will automatically take both individual and sibling photographs. If you have a younger child, not yet in school, you may have a group photo taken in the hall from 8.30am. You will receive a proof and the option to purchase the photograph.

If you would like to receive this newsletter by email please email the admin address above.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

Your sincerely,
 Nicola Dobson