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'To love, live and learn together'

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Our Christian value this half term is 'Creation'

Our Eco School and International Green Flag Award holder Many of you will be aware that our school has held the Green Flag Eco Award for almost 10 years now. Our Eco Teams in each class are working hard towards renewing this once again.

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle Our Eco leaders want to remind everyone that you can start bringing in tin foil, ink cartridges, batteries and crisp packets again. Please bring them into your classes. Our tin foil is taken by the Parish Open the Book Team to a recycling centre and the proceeds support Guide Dogs for the Blind. Sam and Sophie's family help us to recycle crisp packets and these are recycled by <https://www.terracycle.com/>. The recycled plastic is made into watering cans, storage bins, playground equipment and surfaces, planters and much more.

Class 3's Eco/Gardening Team have created posters to display in our community which encourage people to think twice before littering our beautiful world. They have recycled milk containers by turning them into watering cans for the younger children in our school to use in their garden areas.

Pictured below are Class 3's Eco Team who had lots of fun decorating their recycled watering cans. Everyone has been busy this week watering all our seeds and plants.



Special Mentions in Class 1 this week

Mrs Reynolds has been very impressed with Class 1's Science work when planting seeds this week. They all displayed excellent speaking and listening skills when discussing their new topic 'The Seaside'.

Special Mention certificates are for: Theo for amazing knowledge and understanding of our Seaside topic; **Sidney and William H** for showing great enthusiasm and determination in our Maths work; **Olivia, Tom, Betsy, Evie, Daisy, Edward G and Kitt** for excellent participation, great listening and good skills in our PE work this week.

Pictured below are Class 1: planting their tomato seeds



Writing their letters to the Queen



Displaying copies of their paintings for the Queen in their class



Special Mentions in Class 2 this week

Mrs Dutton wants to congratulate everyone on all their hard work this week.

Special Mention certificates are for: Imogen for impressive problem solving and reasoning in Maths. Imogen demonstrated excellent knowledge of 'Fact Families'; **Eleanor** for helping others by raising money and taking part in a charity walk; **Ettie, Grace, and Poppy Y** for demonstrating excellent speaking and listening skills in our discussion about The Lighthouse Keeper's lunch; **Lucy and Tilly** for completing a book review about The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch to a high standard; **Freya** for independent comprehension work when answering a range of questions about The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch. **Bertie** for responding thoughtfully to a Bible story in RE and reflecting on how both he and other children are special.

Pictured below are Class 2: planting their tomato seeds and working on rhythm in Music with Mrs Ridley and displaying their excellent notation work.



Special Mentions in Class 3 this week

Mrs Wright says: 'We've had a great week in Class 3 this week. Here is a snapshot of our week: in Maths we have been looking at tenths and decimals, in English we have been analysing the poem 'The Magic Box' by Kit Wright, in Science we have been classifying vertebrates and in Art we have enjoyed experimenting with the effects of using different sketching pencils.

Special Mentions certificates are for: Isaac for excellent contributions to our analysis of the poem 'The Magic Box'; **Darcie** for the time and pride you take in presenting your work in all areas of the curriculum including homework. Your work is always a pleasure to read; **Ben** for careful presentation of your working out in Maths, always ensuring it is clear and accurate; **Myles** for the excellent skills you demonstrate when drawing and when experimenting with different sketching pencils; **Beau** for your amazing knowledge of animals making excellent contributions to our class discussion on classifying vertebrates; **Lucy** for your enthusiasm in all areas of the curriculum and always giving 100% in everything we do. **Pictured below are Class 3 working as a team to time and record their athletics' skills.**



Special Mentions in Class 4 this week

Mr Ramsbottom says: 'All of Class 4 are working very hard. In Maths they have focused on ratio and proportion. In English everyone is enjoying the class reader: Shackleton: The Boss. The Remarkable Adventures of a heroic Antarctic Explorer. This is inspiring their writing as they prepare a CV to become a member of Shackleton's Expedition. Science work has focused on pollination of plants; in Music they are looking at note reading and in RE they discussed life after death.

Special Mentions certificates are for: Theo for a great understanding of scale factors in Maths; **Jack** for a positive attitude to learning in all lessons- always wanting to improve; **Holly B** for using semi-colons and colons confidently in your writing; **Alex** for being Scientist of the week; **Alicia** for excellent Artwork- using different fonts on postcard designs; **Charlie and Aidan** for showing determination and resilience during P.E lessons. **Pictured below are Class 4 completing their art work and presenting their fact files on Shacklton's crew to their class.**



Sir Captain Tom Moore and his 100 challenge - what might you do this weekend?

In our Collective Worship this week we looked at the life of Sir Captain Tom Moore and considered how we could make a difference in our world today. Inspired by the Captain Tom Foundation and their 100 challenge we have thought of 100 things we could do to make our communities and world better. Some children are going to pick litter over the Bank Holiday. There are 102 children in our school-that could be a lot of litter!



Parent Teacher Telephone Consultations

During this half term we would like to offer you another telephone catch up with your child's class teacher.

Class 2's telephone consultations with Mrs Dutton will be on Wednesday afternoon 5th

May between 1pm and 5pm - sign up for a time on the list at Class 2's drop off area or phone the office.

Class 3's telephone consultations with Mrs Wright will be on Tuesday 11th May 1pm – 5.10pm and Tuesday 18th May 1pm–2.20pm

Please sign up for a time from Tuesday on the list outside Class 3's fire door or phone school from Tuesday for a time slot.

Class 4's telephone consultations with Mr Ramsbottom will be on Wednesday 12th May 1.20pm–5pm and Wednesday 19th May 1.20pm-3pm

Please sign up for a time from Tuesday on the list outside Class 4's entrance gate or phone school from Tuesday for a time slot.

Please remember that you can contact school and your child's class teacher at any time if you have a question or concern.

Congratulations to Emma who achieved 1st place for Y1/2 in North Yorkshire's Ultimate Warrior Challenge

Emma completed the Ultimate Warrior PE Challenge during lockdown and her score was the highest across all North Yorkshire schools.



Class 4 Bikeability Each summer term we aim to provide our Year 5 children with the opportunity to take part in this cycling proficiency course. This year both Year 5 and Year 6 children will have this opportunity during this half term. All the dates and details have been sent home - please return your forms. There is no cost for this but the children do need a cycle helmet and a bike which is in good working order. If you have any concerns about this please do contact us and we will try to help.

Class 3 Outward bound activity day at Carlton Lodge, Thirsk on Thursday 1st July

Many thanks to you all for returning all the paperwork for this so promptly. You can pay on ParentPay - there is plenty of time for this still. The Carlton Lodge website has lots of photos of the activities which the children might like to look at with you at home.

Congratulations to Eleanor, Edward and Henry who Raised £462 for cancer by completing a 10K Race for Life Walk



Other Summer term events and visits

We are working hard to determine what range of experiences we will be able to offer our children as the summer term progresses. We will continue to keep you updated on this.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or your child's class teacher if you have any questions of concerns.

With my very best wishes,

Nicola Dobson