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'To love, live and learn together'

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E-Mail:

Our Christian value this half term is 'Community'

Congratulations to our KS2 children for an excellent Summer Production Performance

A huge well done to our KS2 children who performed the Musical 'Treachery at Traitor's Quay' in the Village Hall for two nights. The whole school had enjoyed an earlier dress rehearsal performance. The musical is set in the Second World War featuring evacuees, home guard, air raid wardens and even Winston Churchill. We were so impressed with the outstanding drama, speaking and part singing, along with great costumes and scenery. Our Year 5/6 children took the acting roles and were supported by a brilliant Y3/4 Choir. Thank you to everyone, staff, children and parents who made this possible. More photos on our school website under Gallery/Celebrations:

http://bolton-on-swale.n-yorks.sch.uk/celebrations/





Bike Day in school We had a great two days cycling and scootering in our school grounds. Thank you to Class 4 children who organized the circuits and supported the younger children so well.

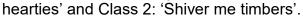


<u>Fundraising for Isaac's bike success</u> Everyone thought that the best thing of all about Bike Day this year was that Isaac now has a bike of his own which he can power using one leg. This was thanks to the amazing fundraising efforts last year of his class mates and everyone in the school and wider community. Thank you to everyone.

We wish Isaac good luck this summer as he heads to Poland with the England Crutch Football Team.



<u>Pirate Day in Class 1 and 2</u> We had so much fun in Class 1 and 2 dressed as pirates for the day! We read pirate stories, sang songs, took part in pirate themed art activities, created pirate treasure maps, bookmarks and telescopes. We loved 'walking the plank' to start our day. Class 1 Pirates say :'Ah ah me





<u>Diary Dates and events coming up for the rest of this term</u> We are entering a very busy time in the school calendar. All our key dates have been on the **school website under Parents/Diary Dates** since the start of Summer term. **Reminders and more information below.**

Swimming cancelled for the rest of term due to problems with the pool. We are sorry that the children will not be able to complete their course of swimming lessons. Parents will be reimbursed on Parent Pay for missed lessons.

Wednesday 12th July Class 1 and 2 Fun Run at Richmond School Please check the letter sent home for further details. Children should wear PE kit and bring a water bottle. Depending on weather they may need a sweatshirt and lightweight coat. They will travel by coach to Richmond school with their teachers and will return in time for school lunch.

Wednesday 12th July Summer Music Concert at 6pm in the school hall. No tickets or booking necessary. You are invited to see your child perform. (Others are welcome if you would like to share in our music in school).

This is for parents and carers of all children in Class 3 who will play their violin or cello for you.

Also for all children who have individual/small group instrumental lessons on piano, violin or cello and for all children who sing in the Choir or attend recorder club.

Friends of the School will be serving refreshments.

A reminder from Mrs Jameson to practice your pieces at home ready for the concert.

Thursday 13th July Current Reception Parent's Consultation Meeting This is an opportunity to meet with Mrs Reynolds to discuss your child's progress as they reach the end of their first year in school. Please sign up for a time in the office entrance area or email/phone school. Appointments are available from 1.15pm to 6.15pm. Please enter school through the office entrance area.

Friday 14th July Summer Fair 1.30pm All welcome to enjoy our stalls, games, bouncy slide, farm and emergency vehicles and refreshments. Children in Classes 1 and 2 need to collected by an adult and taken around the Fair if possible (if not school staff will escort them). Children in Classes 3 and 4 will be free to enjoy the Fair supervised by school staff. Class 4 children will run their Young Apprentice Stalls on team rotas.

Friday 14th July Summer Fair Timetable

- **1.15pm Playground gate opens to visitors** Please gather on the edge of the kick wall playground to watch the Maypole Dancing.
- 1.30pm Summer Fair opens with Maypole dancing from all classes
- **1.45pm Class 1 and 2 children** return to their classrooms and need to be collected by parents/carers from their classroom door to go around the Fair. Please inform your child's class teacher if someone other than a parent is collecting your child. If you are not able to be at the Fair with your child they will be supervised by Class 1 and 2 teachers.
- **1.45pm Class 3 and 4 children will be helping with stalls and enjoying the Fair**. They are free to explore the stalls under the wider supervision of their teachers.
- **3.30pm Fair finishes.** Children who have permission to walk home alone may leave the school site. School staff will supervise the gate. Please help to tidy at the end if you can.

Children may bring their own money to spend at the Fair in a named purse which their class teachers will supervise. Alternatively you can support your child during the afternoon. Free activities. Activities such as the Bouncy slide and Farm vehicles/ Emergency Vehicles are free.

If you can help to run a stall at the Fair please contact me or Friends of School.

Summer Fair Donations required please: ASAP - Raffle prizes, tombola prizes wine, chocolates, sweets, summer games and arts and crafts.

Wednesday onwards (if possible) - books, toys, games, children's jewellery, pre loved school uniform.

Friday Cakes for the cake stall and refreshments

Raffle Tickets - please could tickets and money be retuned to school by Friday 14th July as the winners will be announced at the Fair.



Monday 17th July Teddy Bears Picnic Lunch Bring your Teddy to school and picnic together with your class. School lunch children will have a special picnic lunch with pre ordered sandwich choice. Packed lunch children may order this also. Please check with Mrs Newton

Friends of School Sponsored Walk for June - Please return these to school with any money raised by Monday 10th July so we can total the miles walked/cycled. We have extended the deadline to give more people time to respond. Prizes and winners for each year group to follow.

End of Year Pupil Reports home:

Reception Pupils Reports went home in book bags on Friday 7th July

Year 1 to Year 6 Pupils Reports go home on Friday 14th July

Monday 17th July Open Classroom Drop-in 3.30pm An opportunity to 'drop in' to your child's new classroom for September and meet their teacher informally.

Tuesday 18th July 1.30pm Sports Day All welcome. (Sports Day reserve Wednesday 19th July)

Friday 21st July Year 6 Leaver's Assembly 2.30pm in school hall. Parents/carers of Year 6 children welcome.

Friday 21st July Term finishes for the Summer

Staffing updates in school for September 23 Saying farewell and thank you at the end of term

Mrs Parr is retiring after 18 years in our school.

Miss Crabbe is leaving to take up a post in another school and to continue to develop her career.

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Staff organisation in September 23

We will be welcoming Miss Cooper to work as a Teaching Assistant in Class 2 and Mrs Smith to work as a Teaching Assistant in Class 4. Both bring with them a wide range of experience across the primary school.

Class 1 Mrs Reynolds and Mrs Saward, (Mrs Moodie part time) Class 2 Mrs Dutton and Miss Cooper Class 3 Mrs Wright and Mrs Brooks Class 4 Mr Ramsbottom and Mrs Smith Shelly's Summer Holiday Club in school Shelly will once again be running her very popular holiday club in school each Tuesday and Wednesday from 8am to 5pm for the first 4 weeks of the summer holiday. Please book directly with Shelly. Details later in the newsletter.Email: shellyschildminding7@gmail.com

Before and After School Care in September Please contact Shelly directly to book your place.

Mike Layfield Sports run Summer Holiday Camps usually based at Richmond School. These include cricket, football and multi sports. Please book directly.

High Greenbury Farm Holiday Club with Lucy Atkinson. Based in the woodland farm on Mondays and Thursdays during the summer holidays. To check availability please get in touch by email with the dates you'd be interested in booking. Please contact Lucy directly through her website.

https://sites.google.com/view/highgreenburychildcare/

Summer Reading Challenge 2023 at your local library all free! Ready Set Read.

Register for the Summer Reading Challenge from 15th July at your local library or online. Books are free to borrow and children receive activity packs and stickers and prizes. Click on the link:

https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/home-zone-src

You can access all kinds of reading advice, book recommendations, digital incentives for reading.

Please check the flier which went home in your child's book bag this week for free activities based in local libraries: Catterick, Colburn, Richmond. They include Lego Club, Marvellous Music, Puppet Show, Detective Mystery Event. Booking is required and activities are for all ages, 3-6, 4-11 and 7-11 years.

Remember– Reading for pleasure is possibly the single most important activity your child can do to improve achievement in school. Research has shown that reading helps cognitive development; a recent IoE study revealed that students who read at home do 'significantly better' across the curriculum – including 9.9% better in maths – than students who don't read. Make time to read this summer!

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any gueries.

With my best wishes, Nicola Dobson

Holiday Club!

We will be offering a summer holiday club based in Bolton-on-Swale School. The club will be running on Tuesday and Wednesday from 8am till 5pm. If you are interested in sending your children, please book in advance, by emailing shellyschildminding7@gmail.com

Dates of the club





Prices:

Full day £36

Half day 4.5 hours £18

Activities

Our holiday club will include lots of different activities, utilising the indoor and outdoor space at the school and the beautiful village. A loose example timetable below shows what a typical day will look like:

8-9	Breakfast (if needed) – free flow outside, reading, colouring, HAMA beads etc
9-10	Walk around the village
10-12	A small snack - crafts and board games (free flow to the outdoors)
12-1	Lunch (A packed lunch will need to be provided by yourselves)
1-3	Organised games on the field (football/rounders/water fights etc)
3-3.30	A small snack (I will provide a light snack (sandwich/wraps etc)
3.30-4	Chill out time (children can bring in tech toys if they wish to use them during this time for
4-5	Free time – Free flow outdoors, indoor activities (reading/crafts etc)

Your child would need to bring a packed lunch a water bottle, sensible shoes, sun hat, sun cream, a waterproof coat, and a spare set of clothes.

We will provide sugar free drinks and healthy snacks, but feel free to bring your own too. If they have a scooter/bike, they can bring it in to use on the playground, please bring a helmet.

Please email to book your places! shellyschildminding7@gmail.com

Thank you, Shelly, Ann, and Cally