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'To love, live and learn together'

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Our Christian value this half term is 'Creation'

Road Safety and Bikeability Well done to our Year 5 children who have all now completed their Bikeability training. They learnt important skills to keep safe on the roads. Our children complete this training each year and need to be able to ride a bike confidently to access the course fully.

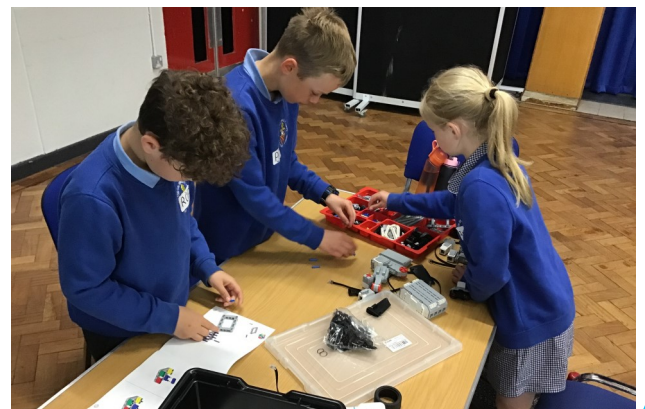


Bike Days in School Once again we will be holding a bike day in the school grounds for different classes. Class 4 organise this and children can bring in a bike or scooter for the day. **All children need a cycle helmet.** We do have spare helmets and scooters, please speak to your child's teacher. **These dates are extra to our diary date list. Classes 1 and 2 can bring bikes or scooters to school on Wednesday 28th June. Classes 3 and 4 can bring bikes or scooters to school on Thursday 29th June.**



Lego Brickmasters Challenge Competition - 2nd place

Well done to our teams who represented school in this Design Technology and Computing competition. We performed well in the robotic coding challenge and finished in 2nd place in the creative challenge.



Assessment and National Statutory Tests to come

Year 1 complete their Phonic screen check in the week of Monday 12th June.

Year 4 will complete the National Times Tables test called the **Multiplication Tables Check** in the week of 12th June. Thank you for continuing to practice tables to x 12 with your child.

Help for parents of Y4 to practice Times Tables with your child ready for the National Times Tables Test

Please see the information sent home in your child's book bag. There are also links to practice the test in the same way as the children will complete it in June. The link below takes you to a **practise Multiplication Tables Check**.

www.timestables.co.uk

Helping my child with their learning

Your class teacher regularly shares information on what you can do to help your child with their learning.

Reading, learning times tables and completing all homework tasks carefully remain top of the list. If you have any queries at all please do speak to your child's teacher.

Annual Pupil Reports

Each child receives an Annual Pupil Report at the end of this academic year. **Reception children's reports go home on Friday 7th July. Year 1 to Year 6 children's reports go home on Friday 14th July.** These reports contain all pupil progress and attainment data, including the results of any statutory assessments. They also contain comments from their class teacher about attitudes to learning and wider achievements in school.

Reception children are teacher assessed against EYFS Early Learning Goals.

Y1 children receive their Phonics Screen Check result.

Y2 children are teacher assessed against Y2 National Curriculum targets in Reading, Writing, Maths and Science. The Y2 assessment test results inform the overall teacher assessment level. The test results are not reported.

Y4 children receive their Times Tables Check result.

Y6 children receive their test result in Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation, Reading and Maths. They also receive teacher assessment levels in these subjects. Y6 receive teacher assessment levels in Writing and Science. For all other year groups and in all subjects the report gives a teacher assessment level.

Educational visits coming up:

Class 1 and 2 visit to Tynemouth Aquarium on Monday 12th June. Please see the details and consent slip letter sent home.

Class 3 and 4 visit Whitby on Thursday 15th June. Please see the details and consent slip letter in your child's book bag sent home.

Clubs for after half term can be booked for free in Parent Pay. **All finish at 4.15pm.**

Tues: Cricket Y1/2; Athletics Y3-6 ; Drama Y3-6; Lego Y3-6

Wed: Choir Y1-6

Thurs: Rounders Y1/2/3; Eco/Gardening Y3-6

Fri 8.15am: Recorders

Friends of the School thank you

A huge thank you to everyone who organised the Coronation disco. It was great fun. **Please check the recent Friends of the School Newsletter for further events.** **Bags2School** Collection Day is after half term, Friday 9th June.

Sponsored Walk forms have gone home with a family walk on Sunday 2nd July planned.

Parish News Thank you to everyone who supported the 'We are 1' Young People's Group at their Plant and Cake Sale last Saturday. Some of our children were involved and raised £270 for the Open Pantry and Food Bank.

Staffing News

After 18 years in our school, Mrs Parr is retiring at the end of the Summer term. We will be planning some very special farewells. An advertisement for her replacement is now on the North Yorkshire jobs website: 'Early Years Teaching Assistant GTA/HLTA'.

We finish for half term today and return to school on **Tuesday 6th June.**

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

With my best wishes, Nicola Dobson

Please see the following pages for highlights and photos from each class.

Class 1 We had a wonderful time when Henry's mum brought their baby chicks into school. We learnt how to care for them and observed them closely. We have enjoyed the summer weather and learning in our outdoor area and on the field.



Class 2 have also enjoyed learning about Charlotte's chicks. This week we have been busy finding halves and quarters of numbers in Maths; writing seaside poetry; investigating how seeds need light and improving our Word processing skills. In PE we are developing our cricket skills.



In Class 3 we continue to enjoy our cricket and a group of us competed in a cricket tournament this week. We have also been developing our Computing skills using Publisher to display our non fiction writing on sea creatures. In French we are learning about Les Sports. In RE we have explored Pentecost and the fruits of the Holy Spirit. In Science we used our school grounds for an invertebrate hunt.



In Class 4 we are working hard to prepare for our Summer Musical Production, 'Treachery at Traitor's Quay'. We are learning our lines and practising the songs. We are enjoying our cricket and enjoying the summer weather. Both boys and girls teams have competed in the area cricket tournament. This year success went to our girls cricket team who finished in 2nd place and will go forward to the district finals. In Art we have explored features of Whitby to produce water colour postcards.



Holiday Club!

We will be offering a half term holiday club based in Bolton-on-Swale St Mary's 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

Tuesday	Wednesday
30/05/23	31/05/23

Prices:

Full day (including cereal for breakfast and a snack at 3.30pm): £36

Half day 4.5 hours (including a snack): £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 a limited amount of time)
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

Cally and a member of her staff will be running this May half term club as Shelly and Ann are away. If you have any questions, please get in touch.

Thank you, Shelly, Ann, and Cally