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*'Developing the whole child'*

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Our Christian value this term is Honesty

**Science Morning at Richmond School for Class 4** Our Year 5/6 children spent the morning at Richmond School Science laboratories where our staff worked with Richmond science teachers to explore the topic of chemical changes. Class 4 enjoyed using a range of specialist apparatus and making scientific observations.



**Diary Dates for this term** A full list of diary dates were sent home last week. This includes Class Assembly dates and Parent Teacher Consultation dates for the week before half term. More detailed information on events will follow. You can also find these dates in the School Information/Calendar section of our website.

### Friends of the School Fundraising Thank you

A huge thank you to all our parents, carers, families and friends who supported our fundraising raffle and other fundraising events before Christmas. These were hugely successful and thanks to your generosity and everyone's hard work our raffle raised a record £730. Support for the Christmas cards designed by your child also raised £250. Fundraising from Friends of School is helping us to update our IT equipment. It also funds special events for our children such as theatre visits and Easter activities.

### Please note new date: Year 6 SATs Parents Meeting Thursday 24th January at 6pm.

This is for parents of Year 6 children - please put the date in your diary and make it a priority. There will be further opportunity to discuss this at our parental consultation evenings on Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st February.

### Year 6 SATs week 2019 Monday 13<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May

Working in partnership with Durham University We once again have students training to teach on placement in school. Miss Rowe is completing a block practice in Class 2 before February half term.

Instrumental Lessons We currently have spaces available for small group tuition in violin or cello with Mrs Jameson. Please speak to Mrs Dobson or Mrs Newton for more information. It is also possible to have North Yorkshire music lessons for woodwind; flute, clarinet and brass. Information forms are in the office.

Good luck to our Y5/6 Netball Team who are competing this afternoon as winners of the Richmond area tournament last term. If they are successful today they will qualify for the North Yorkshire Youth Games as they did in 2018.

Eco Team Message A huge thank you for collecting so much tin foil to raise money for Guide dogs. Even though you might not be eating as many mince pies please continue to bring your tin foil in to school for recycling.

Next week—Wednesday 23rd January, the Healthy Child Team will be carrying out Reception and Year 6 height and weight checks.

Times Tables Rock Stars - all our children from Year 1 upwards have a login to this - ask your class teacher if you are unsure. It is a great way to learn times tables.

Discovery Education Espresso This is an online learning resource your child can access at home. It has a huge range of resources directly relevant to your child's learning in all areas. There is great weekly news; online safety information; games and exciting videos linked to all primary curriculum areas.  
[www.espress.co.uk/](http://www.espress.co.uk/) Username: student23945

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Please speak to me or your child's teacher with any queries or suggestions. Don't hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Nicola Dobson