Friday 19th September 2025



## A note from Mrs Jameson

As we settle back into the school routine, it is great to observe how swiftly the children are finding their groove. The establishment of daily routines has created a sense of comfort, and it is delightful to see the children engaging in their activities. With full steam ahead on their learning journey, each day brings new opportunities for expanding their knowledge.

While the summer holiday may have led to the forgetting of some previous lessons, we are taking this as an opportunity to revisit foundational concepts, ensuring that the vital knowledge acquired prior to the break remains secure in their minds. This approach not only reinforces their learning but also builds their confidence.

We kindly ask that you encourage your children to complete their homework. Although some of our maths tasks may appear repetitive, over time, we are witnessing significant improvements in their speed, ability, and resilience with their mental maths activities.

Additionally, we urge you to read with your child regularly, even in Year 6. Discussing the story, the language, and the themes will deepen their understanding and appreciation of literature. In Key Stage 2, we subscribe to Times Tables Rock Stars and Spelling Shed as engaging platforms for reinforcing learning. Encouraging your child to log on and participate will greatly benefit their academic progress. Thank you for your continued support.

# **Introducing our New House Captains**

We are delighted to congratulate to our newly elected House Captains. In a remarkable display of confidence and leadership, the Year 6 children put themselves forward for this very important role. Each candidate stood before the entire school, presenting well-prepared PowerPoint presentations aimed at persuading their peers of their suitability for the position.

The courage demonstrated by these young individuals was fantastic. The quality of their pitches not only showcased their individual abilities but also reflected the supportive and nurturing environment we strive to grow within our school.

We are incredibly proud of all the Year 6 students who participated in this process, and we look forward to seeing how our new House Captains will lead and inspire their houses throughout the year. Thank you to all who supported and encouraged them in this endeavour.

Congratulations to House Captains Bodhi, Joey, Matilda and Anya and Vice Captains Freya, Emily, Cooper and Max.



Friday News

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# Generosity

This half term we are focusing on the Christian value of generosity. Attached to todays newsletter is the home school value sheet that you can look at with your child. If you carry out a task, please feel free to send it in so that we can celebrate together.

You may have seen an example of generosity around our school grounds. Many thanks to one of our Grandmas, Helen Suggett who frequents the school grounds on a weekend and in the holidays, making our school look truly amazing. Thank you



### Diary Dates for Autumn Term 2025

Wednesday 24th September Year 5 and 6 football tournament 4pm

Driffield School

Friday 26th September Class 3 and 4 Special Mentions assembly

2.40pm

Monday 29th September KS2 cross country at Sledmere House 4pm

Wednesday 1st October Girls Football Driffield school 4pm

Thursday 2nd October Flu vaccinations in school

Friday 3rd October Class 1 and 2 Special Mentions assembly

2.40pm

Saturday 4th October Year 1 and Year 2 Cross Country at

Driffield Junior School 10am

Monday 4th October Class 4 visit to Hands on History Museum

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Tuesday 7th October Supporting families coffee morning in

school—details to follow

Friday 10th October Harvest Service at St Martin's Church

2pm

Friday 18th October Class 3 and 4 Special Mentions assembly

2.40 pm

Wednesday 22nd October KS2 Hockey tournament at Driffield school

4pm

Thursday 23rd October Individual school photos

School Closes for half term

Friday 25th October Staff training day

#### HALF TERM

Monday 3rd November School Opens

Wednesday 6th November KS2 hockey tournament at Driffield School

Friday 7th November Dance workshops in school No Special

Mentions

Friday 14th November Children in Need Day

Class 1 and 2 Special Mentions assembly

2.40 pm

Friday 21st November Class 3 and 4 Special Mentions assembly

2.40 pm

Friday 28th November Class 1 and 2 Special Mentions assembly

2.40 pm

Friday 5th December Christmas Fair 1.30pm

Monday 8th December Reception and Class 2 Nativity 2.15pm

Tuesday 9th December Reception and Class 2 Nativity adults only

Wednesday 10th December Christmas Lunch

Friday 12th December Carol Service St Martins Church 2pm

Tuesday 16th December Panto at Brid Spa

Wednesday 17th December KS2 Christmas Party pm

Thursday 18th December Class 1 and 2 Christmas Party am

Friday 19th December Carols on the yard 2pm

END OF TERM

## Attendance in school

Last week, we communicated with you regarding our schools stance on attendance. As a school, we are determined to provide the very best educational experience for your child. It is essential to emphasise that children can only benefit from our offerings if they are present in school.

Our analysis of school data from the previous academic year indicates a clear correlation between high attendance rates and student performance, particularly in the SATs tests. Those children who achieved the highest scores consistently demonstrated excellent attendance. Therefore, we urge you to prioritise your child's attendance.

In addition, Government research shows that

At both KS2 and KS4, the higher the 5% attendance band a pupil is in during the assessment year, the more likely they were to achieve a successful outcome in 2022/23.

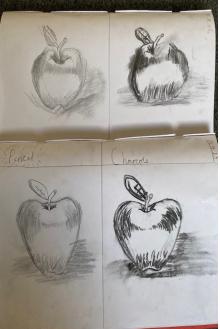
- At KS2, pupils who attended school nearly every day in Year 6 (with an attendance rate of 95-100%) were 1.3 times more likely to achieve the expected standard in reading, writing and maths compared to pupils who only attended 90-95% of the time. This means missing just 10 days of year 6 reduced the likelihood of reaching the expected standard by around 25%.
- Pupils who attended nearly every day were 1.8 times more likely to achieve the standard than persistently absent pupils who only attend 85-90% of the time (relating to 4 -6 weeks more time in school).

Thank you for your support with this.

## **Art at Burton Agnes**

This term in art the whole school will be focusing on developing their drawing skills. Building on the techniques we have previously explored, we aim to further enhance our pupils' artistic abilities and creativity. The whole school will be involved in this initiative, encouraging collaboration and shared learning experiences. To inspire our students, we will delve into the works of various artists, examining their techniques and styles. Check out the work taking place in KS2.





We warmly welcome Ms Sharon Shepherd to our Burton Agnes Team.

She is our new cleaner/caretaker.

We are still in need of someone who is a whizz with flat pack to make up our small lean to shed for the new outdoor area. If you can help please let us know. Thank you.

# A visit from the Lady with the Lamp

Children in Class 2 recently had a visit from the treasure that is Florence Nightingale. This encounter was instrumental in bringing their history learning to life, particularly regarding Victorian times and the realities of the Crimean War. The children immersed themselves in the experience, embracing their roles with enthusiasm and showcasing an understanding of the historical context. Many thanks to parents for supporting this enriching visit, helping to bridge the past with the present and fostering a deeper appreciation for our history curriculum.









Pupil of the Week 19.9.25 Fergus Class 2



Pupil of the Week

10.9.25

Harper Class 4

