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HUGE thanks to Mr Thompson for being our independent observer during SATs this week!

Pupils of the week

Florence Jackson Reggie Bulman Isla Coates Alice Wilson Baylee Stevens **Evergreen Griffiths** Mabel MacDonald Joseph Wilson Adelaide Moon Year Six

Mr Thompson's shout out!

Mr Thompson has recently been very impressed by the determination and hard work of Darcie Savvery, Elsa Hornby and Lucy Toomey. He was also blown away by the positive way in which Year Six children responded to SATs week!

Home discussion question

Stan asked...If you find something, is it yours to keep?



This week, I have been extremely impressed with children's manners. We have been working on greeting one another politely, asking one another whether we're having a lovely day and responding with a full answer, rather than a one word answer. I am delighted to say that practice is paying off - it sounds lovely to hear polite greetings each morning! Mrs Channing

Getting ready for an amazing performance!

It has been lovely to hear children from Years Three and Four rehearsing their production this week. Their singing sounds fabulous and we can't wait to see them in action! Thank you to everyone at home for providing costumes and helping children to learn their lines.

What has Toby seen this week?

Toby has seen adults enthused by the positivity, determination and resilience of our Year Six children during SATs week.

They attempted each paper with the desire to succeed and didn't give up, even when they faced

tricky questions. Well done, folks. You have been amazing!



Working together to eradicate unacceptable behaviour

It has been brought to my attention that the word 'gay' is being used as a derogatory term (an insult). Children have reported that this is being used by some of their peers at break times. The fact that children are using the word out of the earshot of staff indicates that they know this is wrong - children's awareness is raised through our teaching of protected characteristics (which is woven through our curriculum and may be seen on our website), assemblies and Celebrating Differences days. Please be assured that the use of homophobic language is NEVER tolerated in school. Sanctions are issued, parents are contacted and the Local Authority is informed of instances of prejudice based behaviour. However, I am aware that this is also happening outside of school and that some members of our community view homophobic language as 'banter'. As a school family, we need to work together to eradicate this behaviour both in school and within our wider society. We value your support, along with that of our local police force, in challenging the use of homophobic language and reminding children to report incidents to adults straight away.

Celebrating children's achievements

We have been really impressed during assembly to see the certificates that children have been awarded during out of school activities. Willow Bint and Sofia Mackenzie have shared their swimming certificates and Abigail Prunty has shown her ice skating and lifesaving certificates. Well done, girls!

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Please remember that children should only have water in their water bottles. Thanks!



Lunchtime Award

This week, our award goes to Elliot McLuckie and Nathaniel Jack for their behaviour and manners. Well done, boys!



Act of Kindness

This week's award goes to
Noah Blair. He was nominated by
another child who witnessed him looking after
Jacob when he had been hurt accidentally
during play time. Well done, Noah!

Important Dates

15th- 26th May Y6 swimming lessons
18th May 1.30pm and 6pm Y3/4 production
22nd May School photographer - class photos
26th May 3pm Celebrating Cultures exhibition in
lower hall and RAFT cake sale (donations from
EYFS/Y1/Y2 will be gratefully received during the
morning - thank you!). Break up for holiday.
6th June Return to school (on 5th June school is
closed for staff training)

7th June 6pm Meeting for parents of children joining Reception in September 2023

8th June 9.15am Whole school sports morning - everyone welcome!

9th June Non uniform day - bring a bottle (RAFT raffle prize) as a donation! This could be shampoo, sauce etc. Glass bottles or alcohol to be delivered by parents, please, not given to children to bring in! 12th - 16th June Y6 East Barnby residential visit 14th June 3.10pm - 4.15pm Transition play date for Y2 children from Roseberry and Marwood Infant School (at Roseberry)

14th June 6pm Meeting for parents of children joining Y3 in September 2023 (Roseberry and Marwood)

21st June 3pm - 5pm RAFT Summer Fair **6th July 1.30pm and 6pm** Y5/6 Summer performance

12th, 13th, 14th July Y6 transition (Stokesley School)

12th and 13th July Children move to their new classes for two days (inc new Reception children and Marwood children - letters to follow)

24th July Y6 Leavers' disco after school

25th July 9.15am Leavers' assembly - all welcome **25th July** Break up for the summer holiday!

Please see our website for more dates!

Thank you!

Huge thanks to John Hornby who will be bringing Ayton Beats to our Sports Morning and our Y6 leavers' event!



Please remember to look both ways before crossing the road, children!

Extra Curricular Clubs

Please note that these are in addition to our whole school, timetabled, enrichment curriculum which includes REALtime. REALtime takes place across the school every Friday and children learn a range of skills throughout the year, including First Aid, British Sign Language, Bushcraft, learning to play a musical instrument and lots more!

musical instrument and lots more:	
Choir (free) Y2-6	Monday Lunch time (12.15-12.45 lower hall) Mrs Channing
Learn to play the ocarina (free) Y5/6	Tuesday Lunch time (12.00 – 12.30) Mrs Weyell
Mindfulness	Tuesday
(free)	12.00 – 12.30
EYFS-Y6	Mrs Sellers
Cross Country	Wednesday
(free)	Lunch time
Y3-6	Mrs Davis
Football team	Wednesday
(free)	3.20pm - 4.20pm
Y5/6	Mark Shimwell
History (free) Y3-6 20th April - 25th May	Thursday 3.10pm – 4.10pm Mrs Sellers and Mr Pearce from the Great Ayton Historical Society
Miss Tucker's Gardening (£3 per session, payable on MCAS) Y3-6	Thursday 3.10pm - 4.30pm Miss Tucker
Multi sports (not football)	Friday
(Charge applies)	3.00pm - 4.10pm
Y1-6	Mark Shimwell
Karate	Friday
(Charge applies)	3.00pm – 4.15pm
Y1-6	Sensei James Scanlon

If you can lay down at night, knowing in your heart, that you made someone's day just a little bit better, you know you had a good day.