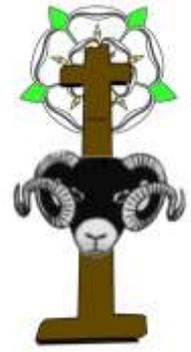




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## Class 2

This week in science we have looked at using our knowledge of circuits and switches to make some games. The older children have used tinfoil and paper fasteners to make a question and answer game. This is actually very challenging, as it really tests the children's understanding of conductors and insulators. The younger children made a steady-hands game where they had to work out how to incorporate a circuit into their set-up. In maths we have been looking at angles, shapes and rounding while in literacy we are beginning to look at non-chronological reports.

In sport, congratulations to Ellie Walsh who took part in the Octoberfest running event last Sunday and won the Yr 4 girls' race. In the overall race with children from Yrs 3-6 taking part, Ellie came 3rd with Greg coming 4<sup>th</sup>. Meanwhile, the Boys Yrs 5 & 6 Federation football team took part in a small schools' tournament where they won all their games. They will now progress into the next stage of the tournament. Well done to all the children involved.

## Class 1

This week in English, we have focused on the cyclical nature of our focus story ("Where the Wild Things are") and how the settings change as they are visited and revisited by Max. We have worked on using subordinating conjunctions to compare these changes and have used list sentences to write some wonderful descriptions of each setting.

Our maths work has centred around measure and has included learning about the apparatus and units used to measure length and height, how to measure accurately, converting between metres and centimetres and undertaking problem solving challenges, which the children have really had to think about and persevere at. Well done.

Science has continued looking at weather patterns and what grows in each season, as well as how we, as humans, adapt to the changing seasons. In DT, we have continued to work on our wild things dioramas, whilst in PE we have linked the story to our current focus of movement, acting out Max's journey to the island and the forest where the wild things are.

Our boiler suits arrived this week and the children are absolutely thrilled to pieces with them. Hopefully, this will help to keep the children less muddy when they are out exploring and digging in their bug hotel.



### **Diary dates for the week commencing Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017**

- Mon 9<sup>th</sup>: am – KS2 making Xmas cards, pm – KS1 making Xmas cards  
pm - Parents Evening (appointments have been issued)
- Tues 10<sup>th</sup>: pm - Netball League tournament – Goathland (selected children)
- Wed 11<sup>th</sup>: pm – Yrs 5 & 6 Girls Federation football tournament (selected children)  
Forest Schools – Yr 4 only
- Thurs 12<sup>th</sup>: Forest Schools – All KS1  
Year 6 Open Evening at Caedmon College Whitby (Scoresby site) 6-8pm  
**NO NETBALL CLUB**

### **Gracie, Lily, Beth and Emily's MacMillan Coffee Morning – Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> Sept**

A huge thank you to everyone who went along last Saturday morning to support the girls in raising money for Macmillan. The final total was a massive £1,100; well done girls.

### **Safety - key messages**

We have had the following concerns raised about various potential safety issues:

- Parking on the zigzags - this is not allowed in the interest of safety to and from school;
- Dogs tied up near the gates where children are getting bikes and being allowed off the lead when children are walking home from school. We appreciate that this is outside school time but we have been asked to mention this as a concern;
- Cycling up and down the drive - please push bikes up and down the drive.

### **PTFA News**

- Barnaby Rudge - Northumberland Theatre Company present Barnaby Rudge on Saturday night at The Robinson Institute. Doors open at 7pm, tickets available on the door;
- Halloween Bingo - Thursday 2nd November at The Robinson Institute. Eyes down for bingo at 6pm, followed by fancy dress, pumpkin competitions and a few spooky games;
- Children's Christmas Carols - Wednesday 20th December at St. Thomas' Church (date to be confirmed).

### **Harvest Festival**

The provisional date for this is at 10.30am, Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Oct at St. Thomas's Church. Confirmation to follow.

### **"Wear it Pink" day - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October**

It would be lovely if everyone could wear something pink to school on Friday 20th October to raise money for breast cancer research. Please can children bring any donations into the school office.

### **Transport to/from school trips/sporting events**

We are now finding it almost impossible to arrange minibus transport back from events in Whitby that finish around 3pm; getting transport there is no problem. We also understand from other schools that they have to now rely on parents bringing children back and this is what we are probably going to have to start doing as we do not want pupils to miss out on opportunities due to transport. So far, 3 parents have volunteered to take children to/from events this week and next, so thank you very much to them. However, we do still need other parents to help out so please, if you can let Mrs Ashton-Wickett know and a list will be collated for future use.

**Bonus Ball winner** – As on 20/9/17 – Caitie McKenna – 20.

### **News from Castleton Classes**

**KS1** : This week we have been working on addition in Maths and practising "counting on" to add. We have enjoyed making some lovely penguin collages and are busy creating a fantastic "Lost and Found" display. We watched the "Lost and Found" film and began comparing it to the book, finding similarities and differences. As part of our History topic we have been researching the famous Antarctic explorer Robert Scott.



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**KS2:** In Maths we have been looking at missing numbers and inverse checking. We have also been astounded by some Maths magic. In English we have been looking at stories with a journey, especially the blurb on the book. It is interesting what information gets put into the blurb and what questions are asked to attract the reader in.

On Wednesday the years 5 and 6 federated football team took part in the small schools football tournament at Eskdale School. The performance and attitude that the boys displayed was outstanding. They won, very convincingly, all five of their games and went on to win the tournament itself – fantastic! Both schools are very proud of you. They will now progress to the next level of the tournament where they will play the winners of the Medium and Large Schools tournaments. Good luck boys!

