



Glaisdale Primary School

NEWSLETTER

13 October 2017



"Outstanding Together"

Class 2

This week we have been looking further into writing non-chronological reports based around our work on the Silk Road and have also began preparing some work for the Harvest Festival, which will hopefully include some hand-chime music accompanied by singing.

Congratulations to the Netball team who won both matches at this week's tournament at Goathland School and also to the Girls' Federation football team who participated in the tournament at Eskdale School. Reports from the football indicate that the girls played with real enthusiasm and that Megan was particularly superb in goal (please see the News from Castleton below for further details).

Harvest Festival

We hope that you will be able to join us in St Thomas' Church next Thursday at 2.15pm for this celebration. This year we are supporting the Whitby Foodbank, so would request that the children bring in items of food that could be passed on to this worthy cause. Please could any food be brought into school on either Wednesday or Thursday next week.

Netball Club will still be on after the service, so any children wanting to take part will be escorted back up to school but must be collected at 4.15pm (as usual). Please let school know on Monday if your child/children will need escorting back up to school.

Please can parents ensure that their child/children have their wellies with them in school on both Tuesday and Thursday next week, so they can wear them to walk down the grassy path down to Church for both the rehearsal (Tuesday morning) and the service (Thursday afternoon). Thank you.

Class 1

This week, Class 1 completed their focus on settings in *Where The Wild Things Are* by improving and expanding on the little details provided by the text. We then moved our attention to the characters of the story, focusing particularly on Max whom we identified as the major character. Having distinguished between appearance and personality, we spent time thinking about his how his feelings change throughout the story and the impact these changes have on his behaviour, as well as what the "mischief of one kind and another" that he engaged in could be. This provided plenty of opportunities for improving our use of both coordinating and subordinating conjunctions in our writing.

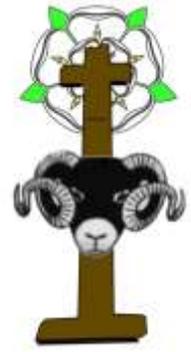
In maths, we have looked at comparing and ordering lengths, as well as how to accurately use rulers for measuring and for drawing lines. We have engaged in problem solving with measures to embed our understanding further. We have now moved on to looking at money and the British coinage system, with distinguishing between the number of coins and the value of coins being a major element of our learning.



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With Harvest Festival fast approaching, we have learned about the history, traditions and meaning of harvest, and have written descriptive narrative poems based on the colours of fruit and vegetables harvested around the world.

Diary dates for the week commencing

Tues 17th: am – rehearsal for Harvest Festival

Wed 18th: Yr 4 Forest Schools

Years 5 & 6 Boys Level 2 Football Final, Eskdale School. Please note that the time has changed.

It will now start at 1pm, finishing at 3.30pm

Thurs 19th: 2.15pm – Harvest Festival service at St.Thomas' Church

Year 6 Open Evening at Eskdale School 4.30pm to 7pm

Fri 20th: Wear It Pink Day

School finishes for half-term

School resumes on Monday 30th October 2017

Christmas Cards

On Monday, the whole school took part in Christmas card making sessions with a number of parents coming into school to support the children. The children all had an enjoyable time and created some fantastic designs which will now be sent for professional printing ready for Christmas. Thank you to Lisa Harland, Clare Gallon, Rebecca Mortimer, Gill Wren, Amy Farmer, Vicki Scollay and Chris Hunter for arranging and coordinating the day.

Bonus Ball winner – As on 07/10/17 – Mrs Daniel – 21

Wear it Pink Day

Next Friday is "Wear It Pink Day" in support of Breast Cancer. Children are welcome to come to school wearing anything pink and to give a donation to this worthwhile cause.

Football Club - Fridays

Mrs Medcalf will begin football coaching after school on a Friday after half-term. Thus, it will begin on Friday 3rd November from 3.15pm – 4.15pm and will run until it gets too dark after school – parents will be informed when it's due to stop. A consent letter will be sent out next week.



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Academy Update

As you may know, our conversion date has been delayed slightly. Currently it is 1st December – this is because of land and building survey issues (all Schools). Also, we have had to amend the name to “Yorkshire Endeavour Academy Trust” so as not to be confused with another Trust.

Becky Webster – Leaving next Friday

Becky Webster, who supports our admin/Headteacher/children in so many areas, is relocating to move closer to friends. She says she is “going to seek her fortune!” We will miss her hugely and would all like to say a big thank you and the very best of luck.

Playgroup request

If you have any keyrings, old keys and/or mobile phones (all no longer needed), then can you please bring them into Playgroup for the children to play with? They love wandering around with their phones making calls to parents, grandparents, etc. and carrying keys too. Thank you.

News from Castleton Classes

KS1: This week we have been researching the explorer Robert Falcon Scott and enjoyed looking at his diary. The Reception children have created a fantastic castle from masses of boxes and enjoyed playing with the knights and princesses. Thank you for the Oliver Jeffers books, we are thoroughly enjoying reading them.

A big thank you to everyone Miss Garbutt saw at Parents Evening this week. It makes such a difference when you are involved in your child’s learning and we work together to provide the best possible provision for each individual child.

KS2: We have been delving deeply into stories with journeys. It does seem that a lot of stories for children have the message to be resilient. To try, try and try again until you get it right and don’t give up while trying. An excellent message for when they are stuck on something and it takes a bit of time to work things out. Their own story plans are being constructed with real thought to what the purpose of the journey is.

We have also been looking at the art from the Silk Road to see what it can tell us about travelling along the silk route.

Mrs Grace reiterates what Miss Garbutt has said about parents evening, we like to share with you all the work that the children do which we are very proud of. Thank you for all the support at home with the reading, spelling and homework. It really makes a difference and helps the children to reinforce their learning.



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Well done to Katie, Honey, Thea, Sophia, Olivia and Helena for taking part in a Girls Football Tournament at Eskdale School on Wednesday afternoon when they played in a Federated team with Glaisdale girls. Everyone showed exceptional determination, resilience and teamwork. After a superb comeback to win the first match, they just fell short in the next 2 matches. Some of the teams had much more experienced players, so our girls did fantastically well and were always in with a chance. Massive well done to them, we are all very proud of you!