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YOUR TUESDAY NEWS

Tuesday 17th April 2018

Together we are exploring our special gifts; Together we are growing towards God

'TOGETHER WE ARE GROWING TOWARDS GOD'

Dear Parents, Carers and Parishioners,

Our worship yesterday focused on Luke's Gospel account of The Road to Emmaus. Theo (Y6), Sorchia (Y3) and Joshua L (Y2) helped Mrs Haines to retell this story when two of the disciples were joined by Jesus on their journey to Emmaus, near Jerusalem. We discussed how at the beginning of their journey, the disciples were in despair following the death of Jesus and also feeling very confused by the fact that some of the women had told them that his tomb was found empty three days later. Once Jesus was invited to share a meal with them and broke



the bread to share with them, the disciples finally recognised that it was Jesus and the children were very good in establishing that the disciples must have felt great elation at this moment. We compared this journey of the two disciples with an inspirational disabled athlete, Callum Hall, who, at 20 years old, became paralysed. We watched a video of his journey from realisation that he would never walk again to coming 7th in the marathon last Saturday night in the 2018 Commonwealth Games in Australia. The children were very good at recognising the correlation between the two journeys and the strong message coming through from them both - that hope, belief and faith will support you through the most difficult times in your life. Our mission was set by the children this week - 'Every time we look at the sunshine, we will remember that Jesus is with us.'

God Bless Mr Copley and Mrs Haines

Staffing Update

We would like to welcome Miss Dylak to our school as a teaching assistant. Miss Dylak will be working in KS2 until the end of the summer term.

If you are worried or concerned about the wellbeing of any of our pupils, please ask to speak to Mr Copley, Mrs Haines or Mrs Laptew

Every week we look to celebrate being outstanding every day. Each class is collecting Gold Coins for their treasure chests and the winners each week will receive a prize!

Merit Worship Leaderboard		
Year Group	Class Pirate Name	Winners
Year 1:	Breen's Buccaneer	🏆 🏆
Year 2:	Martin's Mi Hearties	🏆 🏆 🏆 🏆
Year 3:	Wood's Plank Walkers	🏆 🏆
Year 4:	Trotter's Treasure Trove	🏆 🏆 🏆 🏆
Year 5:	Speake's Scurvy Scallywags	🏆 🏆 🏆 🏆
Year 6:	Langham's Landlubbers	🏆 🏆 🏆 🏆 🏆

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS:

Our Attendance Target for this year is 97%



Well done to Year 3 who are our attendance champions this week.

Only two classes hit our target last week and were only just 97%. Our attendance average last week was only 94.94%

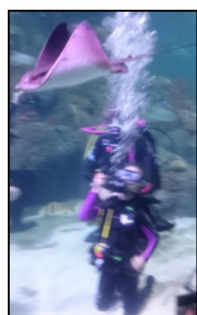
CLASS	% ATTENDANCE w/b 13.04.18.	%ATTENDANCE this year to date
FS2	96.33	95.58
Year 1	93.87	96.57
Year 2	92.33	96.70
Year 3	97.33	97.87
Year 4	97.00	97.29
Year 5	94.44	97.08
Year 6	93.33	97.37
Average	94.94%	96.92%
TARGET	97.00%	97.00%

TOGETHER WE ARE EXPLORING OUR SPECIAL GIFTS

Congratulations to our Merit Winners last week: Eve Taylor, Lucia Zanella, Rhys Leak, Olivia Wilson, Sienna Lancaster, George Wilkinson, Evie Wray and Lauren Wilby.

The Big Cat reading merit was awarded to Lucas Harris for inference and retrieval skills.

Mr Copley and Mrs Haines' Headteachers award was given to Kate Priestley for giving up so much of her own time to create an RE/art project and being such a reliable librarian.



Huge well done to Imogen Shackler who at only 8 years old was brave enough to swim with sharks, rays and fish at Skegness Aquarium. It was a fantastic experience and she loved every minute of it.

Lucina Jarvis achieved her aqua skills one badge after only one term of swimming lessons.

Rhys leak in year 1 was awarded the STA Goldfish 1 award.



Kai Menic has gained a swimming achievement. Well done to all our superstars.

If your child has been exploring their special gifts outside of school then please send the office an email so that we can celebrate this in our newsletter:

SCHOOL NOTICES

We would like to remind parents of what to do if you are unhappy about something in school. Please see below our quick step guide to making a complaint or raising an issue:

- 1. Firstly, write down exactly what you are unhappy about. This helps everyone be very clear about your concern.
- 2. Arrange an appointment with your child’s Class Teacher or Key Stage Leader via the school office on 01274 638520
- 3. Attend the appointment made and bring your concern written down with you.
- 4. If you feel that your concern has not been addressed, then please arrange an appointment to see Mrs Haines or Mr Copley.
- 5. In the event of your concern not being resolved, then please follow the procedure outlined in the formal Complaints Policy which can be found on our website.

AS STATED IN OUR HOME SCHOOL AGREEMENT, PLEASE DO NOT EXPRESS ANY CONCERNS ON SOCIAL MEDIA.

Thank you for your continued support.

30 Hour Nursery Provision

From September we are considering offering eligible parents 30 hours nursery provision. We would like to know how parents would like nursery provision to be delivered. This includes the universal 15 hours entitlement as well. If you have a child in nursery or a pre nursery child, please could you fill in the questionnaire below so we can try and deliver the best option for parents. Additional hours can be purchased if required but we will require a contract agreement. Although you may not know at this stage, but in order to help us plan our delivery, we would ask if you would prefer a school lunch or a packed lunch from home. Please feel free to make any comments or raise any queries you may have.

Please return to the school office by the end of this week. Many thanks.

	2.5 days Monday – Wed pm Wed pm – Friday	5 x half days Mon – Fri Am or pm each day	5 days 30 hours provision only 6 hours per day.
I would like 15 hours			
I would like 30 hours			
I would be interested in purchasing extra hours			
Lunch requirements	School lunch / packed lunch from home (please delete as required)		
Comments/queries			

Name (optional):

Please could parents keep us updated when they change address or telephone number. It is essential that we have up to date telephone numbers so parents can receive important text messages.



You may have noticed that the dates on the menu from the school kitchen are wrong for our school. We started last week on week one, (on the menu it says this week is week one) and this week we are one week two. Therefore the weeks are one week behind the dates.. Next week will be week three. Very confusing.



CALENDAR DATES SPRING TERM

Wednesday 18 th April	9.15 am	Y6	Mass in Church
Thursday 19 th April	All day	Y2	Visit to Rainbow Factory
Friday 20 th April	4.30 – 7.15	FS2-Y6	School Disco
Tuesday 1 st May	9.00 am	All	Short choir performance
Monday 7 th May	School closed for May Day bank holiday		
Wednesday 9 th May	AM/PM	FS1	Stay, play and learn
Thursday 10 th May	AM	FS2	Stay, play and learn
Friday 11 th May	AM	6 chn	Good Shepherd Celebration at Leeds Cathedral
Monday 14 th May	Mornings	Y6	SATs week
Monday 21 st May	All day	FS	Visit to Nell Bank
	All day	Y6	Visit to Eden Camp
Tuesday 22 nd May	2.20 pm	All	Children's Music Concert
Friday 25 th May	Break up for Spring Bank half term		
Monday 11 th June	School re opens after Spring Bank		
Monday 11 th June	AM	Y6	Leavers photograph
Tuesday 12 th June	All day	Y5	Visit to Nell Bank
Monday 18 th June	6.00 pm	FS1	Welcome meeting for new parents
Wednesday 20 th June	6.00 pm	FS2	Welcome meeting for FS2 in September
Monday 25 th June	1.00 pm	Y4	Visit to Sikh Temple
Wednesday 27 th June	PM	Y5/6	Online bullying workshop
Thursday 28 th June	All day	Y1	Visit to Hesketh Farm
Friday 29 th June	PM	All	Parent Council Summer Fair
Wednesday 4 th July	AM	All	Transition day
	AM	FS1/2	New children drop in session
	PM	All	Transition meetings for parents
Thursday 5 th July	All day	Y3	York Railway Museum visit
Monday 9 th July	All day	All	Billy Bantam penalty shootout
Tuesday 10 th July	9.30 am	Y6	Production dress rehearsal
Wednesday 11 th July	2.00 & 6.00 pm	Y6	Year 6 Production
Thursday 12 th July	9.00 am	All	Final Merit Worship
Friday 13 th July	All day	All	Sports Day (tbc)
Monday 16 th July	10.30 am	All	Leavers Mass
Friday 20 th July	Break up for Summer		

Parent Council School Disco

Don't forget it is the school disco on Friday. If you haven't sent in your money please could you do so before Friday so we have an idea of numbers. Many thanks.

