

***Small school, big heart,
aiming high together***



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Headteacher's Message

I would like to begin by saying how proud I was of the Y5/6 children who represented the school at the Cluster TAG Rugby tournament held at Outwood Academy Easingwold on Wednesday. The team, made up of boys and girls, worked brilliantly together, with their skills improving during each match, and it was wonderful to see them smiling and enjoying themselves. The score lines were very close for each match but, unfortunately, we didn't come home with any gold medals this time. A big thank you to Mr Pointon, who coached the children in preparation for the tournament.

I attended an interesting meeting on Tuesday afternoon at York Diocese, as we are in the 'window' for a SIAMS (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools) inspection this academic year. It was encouraging to hear that all of the work that we completed last term on developing our core Christian values and vision are a good foundation for ensuring that we provide the very best opportunities and educational experience for our children in a nurturing environment.

The School Council had their first meeting on Thursday afternoon with Mrs Comito. Their first job has been to seek views from their classmates about the types of playground markings they would like to have to enhance their time together and encourage more activity. I will be sharing their ideas with the company who will complete this work for us. The markings will be paid for from the Sport Premium grant, which is provided to all maintained schools. We will also be purchasing new netball posts and other sport and play equipment using this grant.

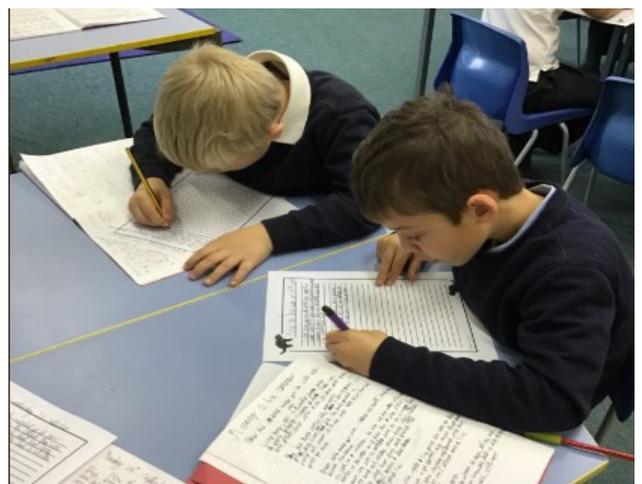
The classrooms have been buzzing as usual this week. Year 5/6 had fun investigating air resistance, and there were some impressive predictions made and conclusions drawn from their experiments. Year 3/4 enjoyed writing and acting out their own Dreamtime stories—we certainly have some budding actors and actresses!

As part of their R.E. topic, Class 1 have been talking about people they care about, and the Reception children drew some lovely pictures of these special people in their lives. The theme of caring slots in perfectly with the value of friendship which we are exploring in Collective Worship together.

Attached along with the newsletter today is our new school prospectus, which will help us promote what a fantastic school we are. I would also like to draw your attention to our Open Days on Saturday 13th October and Thursday 25th October and encourage you to share these dates to anybody you know who may be looking for a school place for their child. Both Open Days are open to existing and potential parents.

Lastly, please let the school office know if you can help on Saturday 6th October at our 'tidy-up' day. We have plenty of jobs for people!

Have a lovely weekend.



Superstars

Headteacher Award

Sam B., for having an excellent positive attitude

Stars of the Week

Reception—Simon, for super participation in a class discussion

Year 1—Henry R., for doing super extra writing at home and lovely reading in class

Year 2—Angelica, for independently building words and for amazing reading

Year 3—Maisy, for excellent focus when writing her story

Year 4—Henry Hi., for thoughtful contributions to class

Year 5—Sam G., for excellent vocabulary in his writing

Year 6—Natasha, for persevering with her Maths fractions

Happy Birthday!

27th September—Pretoria

Golden table

Harry, Joshua G., Freya, Maxi, Emily T., Lola, Natasha

House points

This week the winners are Byland (Blue)

Attendance

Highest average attendance - Class 1, Class 3 (both 100%)

Whole school average - 98.8%

National attendance average - 96%

Other news

FOSS meeting next Tuesday, 2nd October

FOSS (Friends of Sutton School) will be holding a meeting next Tuesday, 2nd October, at 8pm at the Rose & Crown pub in Sutton. All are welcome to attend - anyone interested in helping out with FOSS or being an occasional volunteer, anyone interested in joining FOSS, or anyone who would like to have some input into the meeting and fundraising planning for this school year. Thank you in advance for your support—the fundraising carried out by FOSS is vital to our school.

Lost Property

Our Lost Property box is often overflowing, and many items are unnamed. Please could you ensure that your name all of your child's uniform and items clearly so that we can reunite any lost items easily.

Sports kits back to school

If your child has a school sports kit at home from any previous Cluster Sports matches, please could you return this to school. We need to keep the kits in school to ensure that we have adequate kits for the various Cluster matches.

Bag2School collection in October/November

Bag2School bags will be available in school from 9th October. These bags can be filled with any unwanted clothing and textiles, as well as some other items (details to follow shortly). Full bags will be weighed and picked up from school on 9th November, with all funds raised going to school. So advance warning should you be planning a clear-out!

Treetops holiday bookings 2019

Helen Morris is planning to run Treetops during the following holidays next year. If you think you would be interested in booking a place for your child during any of these dates, please could you let Helen Morris know as soon as possible so that she can confirm the dates and plan accordingly.

Easter holidays: Tuesday 23rd April—Friday 26th April (four days)

Summer holidays: Monday 29th July—Friday 9th August inclusive (two full weeks)

Helen Morris can be contacted by phone or by email—07882 677625 / not999@aol.com

Forthcoming Events - Autumn Term

1st October - NO Netball Club

2nd October, 8pm - FOSS meeting at the Rose & Crown - all welcome

3rd October, 4-6pm - Year 5/6 Cluster Netball and Football 1

6th October - Helping Day at school (volunteers required!)

9th October - Bag2School bags available from today

10th October, 4-6pm - Year 5/6 Cluster Netball and Football 2

12th October - NSPCC "Speak Out, Stay Safe" assemblies/workshops - **wear green or non-uniform**

13th October, 10:30-12:00 - Open Morning (open to all)

17th October, morning - Toddlers session at school

17th October, 4-6pm - Year 5/6 Cluster Netball and Football

19th October - Class 1 trip to Big Sheep, Little Cow

22nd October - Flu vaccinations Rec-Year 5 children

24th October, 2:30pm - Harvest Festival at school

25th October, 2-3:30pm - School Open Afternoon (open to all)

26th October - FOSS non-uniform day, LAST DAY OF HALF TERM

5th November - SCHOOL RE-OPENS

7th November - Year 5 Malton School STEM Fair

9th November - Bag2School collection

9th November, 2pm - Remembrance Assembly

14th November - Parents' Evening 1

15th November - Parents' Evening 2

16th November - Children in Need?

21st November, 9:30-11am - Years 3-6 Cluster Cross Country (TBC)

7th December, 12:15-2:45pm - Year 5/6 Cluster Sportshall Athletics (TBC)

10th December, 2pm - Christmas Play dress rehearsal

11th December - Christmas dinner

12th December, 2pm & 6pm - Christmas Play

14th December - Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day

19th December, 2:30pm - Christmas panto at Grand Opera House

20th December - FOSS non-uniform day, School Christmas parties, LAST DAY OF TERM