



**NORTH RIGTON**  
CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL  
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## BULLETIN – FRIDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

### “GROW, BLOSSOM, FLOURISH”

We have had an incredible start to the Summer term with Science Week. This newsletter, as well as Tapestry, will let you know the amazing learning which has been going on. Many thanks to Miss Ellis for organising such an action-packed week.

#### Science Week

What a wonderful week we have all had across the School in Science Week. I have thoroughly enjoyed watching the children enjoy this week and show great enthusiasm and excitement for all the activities we have done. The children have certainly been inspired, asked questions to further their interest and knowledge, learnt new Working Scientifically skills and gained knowledge in various areas of Science and shown that Science is great fun! The classes have given suggestions to the Science Ambassadors for what we can send to 'Mars' (well not quite Mars but 30km into the atmosphere which is similar to conditions on Mars) with the MARSballoon STEM challenge and the Ambassadors will complete this during their club this term.

This week is just the start of enthusing our children to love Science and alongside the Science Curriculum which runs throughout the year, there will be further opportunities to enjoy Science in the coming weeks. For example, they can borrow a Whizz Pop Bang magazine to read at home ( your child must ask a Science Ambassador on a Thursday lunchtime if interested in this), take part in the Playground Science bags on a Monday and Tuesday lunchtime with the Science Ambassadors and continue to read Science books for pleasure in school and at home!

Can I thank the parents who took the time to video themselves telling the children about their Science related Job - I know the children found this really interesting. Can I also thank FONR for paying for the Sublime Science Workshops that I know the children all enjoyed. It has excited me to see how many children have fallen in love with Science this week - a big thank you to all the children for taking part and to the Science Ambassadors for helping me organise and run Science Week. Look out for the Tapestry video post to show you all the great fun we have had!  
Miss Ellis



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Our class enjoyed the visit by Cosmic Catherine, especially the 'science' magic tricks, smoke bubbles and making sherbet. We have carried out a fair test this week looking at reflective materials and used a lux meter for accuracy. In Maths we calculated carbon footprints and calculated food miles and discovered what this means for our environment. Our longest discussion this week was about what to send to Mars as part of the Mars balloon project our school is involved with!

### *Busy Bees*

In Busy Bees, we have had a great Science Week. We have taken part in the Great Phizzi Share which this year is linked to Climate Change. We have carried out an investigation to investigate which materials reflect the most light. We have used our Working Scientifically skills of planning, gathering evidence, interpreting and analysing data, drawing conclusions and evaluating our investigations and then in turn thinking of new questions to ask. From this investigation, we have now decided we are going to investigate about how reflective light can help plants grow and the children are going to plan and carry out their own investigations with this next week. We will then hopefully share this at the 'Great Science Share' in June.



This week we have also learnt about the different areas of Science and made a poster called 'What is Physics'. They have also had time during the week to read 'Scientifically for pleasure' and have enjoyed finding out more information about Science and famous Scientists from these books. We came up with an interesting discussions about what we could send to 'Mars' to experiment on and chose different materials, different types of seeds and a light bulb. They thoroughly enjoyed the Sublime Science workshop and it was a delight to see the excitement and enjoyment throughout this workshop.

### *Pears*

This week we learned about Mars and what the conditions are like there. Our school is taking part in the Mars Balloon project, where we will send one small object 30km into Earth's atmosphere (where some of the conditions are very similar to those on Mars) to see what happens to it. We had some fantastic ideas for the experiment, such as sending a pound coin, a mini tube of toothpaste, and a slice of pear!

### *Apples*

Apples have flourished at Science this week. Our favourite activity was potion making!

## House Points

Hawthorne	65
Rowen	49
Willow	82
Maple	53

This week points this week were given for positivity when faced with a challenge, perseverance with an independent writing task and compassion for our peers. Well done!

### **This week in collective worship:**

Our Collective Worship this week was linked to our Science week and we discussed climate change and the impact this has on our world and future generations. We looked at how we could take responsibility for our actions and how we can all play our part by doing little things that add up to changing the world together.

Lord, thank you for the beautiful world that you created. Help each of us to take responsibility for our planet by making small differences in the world around us.

### **Government SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities) Consultation**

The UK Government SEND Green Paper was published on 29<sup>th</sup> March 2022 detailing the proposals for change for SEND into the future. The link to the full document is below.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/send-and-ap-green-paper-responding-to-the-consultation/summary-of-the-send-review-right-support-right-place-right-time>

The Green Paper is now subject to a public consultation until 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022. The on line survey can be found at this site

[SEND Review: Right support, right place, right time - Department for Education - Citizen Space](#)

The North Yorkshire Dissemination Sessions for parents/carer will take place on 8th June at 6.00pm and 10th June at 1.00pm. If you wish to attend one of the dissemination sessions, please contact Karen Russell (karen.russell@northyorks.gov.uk), indicating which session you wish to be included on. You will then be sent a link to enable you to join the appropriate session.

### **North Rigton Village Gala Sports Event**

Please find attached a flyer for the North Rigton Village Gala Sports Event on 18<sup>th</sup> June.

Have a wonderful bank holiday weekend!

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