

BULLETIN—6th January 2023

Happy New Year and welcome back to school!

I hope you have all had a restful break with Christmas magic and festive fun.

The children have certainly returned with a spring in their steps, smiles on their faces and a real enthusiasm for their learning.

On Tuesday, our staff joined the whole of our academy trust, Yorkshire Causeway Schools Trust, to set out our path for the year ahead. It was inspiring to be in a room of likeminded professionals, celebrating the uniqueness of each school whilst collaborating on our approaches to teaching and learning to ensure all children flourish. 2023 promises to be an exciting year!

THANK YOU!

Everyone in the North Rigton family would like to thank you all for your kind words, gifts and thoughts at the end of the last term. It was joyful to be truly back together celebrating the Nativity and carols and your support makes this school the special place it is.

Charity Update

Thank you so much to all who have supported our hard-working charity advocates, James and Isobel, this year. So far, we have raised over £400 for Save the Children with our harvest collection and Christmas jumper day, £170 for Children in Need and £76 for the Poppy Appeal.

This term James and Isobel would like to raise money and awareness for Guide Dogs for the Blind, so watch this space for some exciting



Snacks

Just a reminder to all parents about sending snacks to school. In Apples and Pears, we have a fruit box delivered every week which is available to the children during the day. Children under 5 are also provided with free milk. If you would like your child to continue to receive milk beyond this, please contact the office for information on how to order and pay.

If you send snacks to school please ensure that they are healthy - low in salt and sugar is the key message and absolutely NUT FREE. Please also try to remember to send your child with a water bottle with fresh water (not juice). 75+ Healthy 'On The Go' Snacks for Kids - Eats Amazing.

Uniform

As we enter the new year, we are keen to ensure our school uniform is as smart and inclusive as possible. Please see the relevant page on our website for details. The Fellowship of All Saints, Kirkby Overblow and North Rigton | Our Uniform (ycst.co.uk) Items do not need to be branded but we would ask that you stick to our set colours - we also have a large stock of second hand uniform available so just ask your class teacher. Sensible school shoes should be worn every day unless it is PE day. We are concerned that badly tied laces and unsupportive shoes such as Ugg style boots are a trip hazard on the playground and would ask that you check the fit of your child's shoes. Long hair should be tied back and accessories such as elaborate bows, headbands, necklaces and other jewellery should be saved for home!

SIAMs Inspection

We have been informed that on Thursday 12th January, our school will have a SIAMs Inspection. A SI-AMs inspection is an inspection for church schools by the Church of England. Please see the accompanying letter, from the SIAMs inspector, for more detail about the process. We look forward, very much, to welcoming the inspector into school and telling her all about Grow, Blossom and Flourish!

Cold Weather

As the weather is still very cold and unpredictable, it is important that your child comes to school each day wearing a coat.

Punctuality

In order to help your children to grow, blossom and flourish at school, punctuality is very important at the beginning of the school day. Please remember that the whistle goes at 8.50am each morning. Any children who arrive once the school gates are shut will need to be signed in at the office, and this will be marked as late in the register.

Tapestry

Tapestry is a brilliant platform for communication between school and home. Please remember that this is to document your child's learning and for staff to relay any important messages. If you have a concern and wish to speak to a member of the school staff, please email or call the school office to arrange an appointment. Thank you.

Website

Our website is updated regularly so if you have any questions about dates and events, it is often worth checking there first. We also provide information about our curriculum in each class and are busy developing our pages with resources for safeguarding, mental health and wellbeing.

Music Lesson Opportunity

Please find attached information about the music lesson options on offer from Peta Kendall.

Yellow Ribbon Awards

Apples

Erin for always being kind, she is a fantastic example of showing compassion every day.

Pears

Tuesday for flourishing with her depth of thinking, connecting her reading out of school with her learning in school.

Year 3/4

Grace for smiling every day, she is always positive and eager in her learning.

Freddie for his superb attitude, for always being kind and having an infectious positivity.

Nathan for his outstanding enthusiasm, eagerness and focus all week.

Year 5/6

Isaac for his extreme positivity and contribution all week.

James for his priceless positivity, humour, warmth and caring nature.