

BULLETIN – Friday 1st December 2023

What a super week we have had in school!

We were delighted that Moira was able to join us this week to lead an Open the Book Collective Worship centred around The Parable of the Lost Sheep. We then talked about what it means to be unique and the message that God loves everybody regardless of what they look like, how they dress or how they speak.

Sadie the Music Lady and her students put on a truly outstanding recital for the school and parents on Wednesday. The children have worked so hard to build their confidence ahead of performing and all the teachers were incredibly proud of their efforts. Well done, everyone!

Busy Bees also participated in a Road Safety Workshop led by the British Horse Society. They learned some important messages and it was great to see them engaging in the notion of respect within the community. I know they have taken on board lots of safety top-tips.

Have a restful weekend.

Mrs Gardiner

Spring Term Clubs:

We are busy working on our extra-curricular clubs for the Spring term. Please see the provisional timetable below, with letters being sent out in the coming weeks:

MONDAY - KS2 Dance at ALL SAINTS with Mrs Gotts-Smith (early pick up required and parental responsibility for transport)

TUESDAY - KS2 Multi-Sports at NORTH RIGTON led by Mr Overton from Harrogate Town

WEDNESDAY - Sporting Influence Sports Competitions on a rota basis

THURSDAY - KS1 Theatre Club at NORTH RIGTON with Niki Alderson from Harrogate Theatre

Dates for the Diary

- **5.12.23** Y5/6 WW2 History Day and workshop with Historic Workshops UK. Parents invited to join us for our Final Flourish at 2.30pm.
- **6.12.23** Fellowship Trip to the Pantomime.
- **7.12.23** KS2 Theatre Club performance at the Harrogate Theatre.
- 7.12.23 Busy Bees Final Flourish (Part 1) 2.30pm.
- 11.12.23 Busy Bees Final Flourish (Part 2) 2pm.
- 12.12.23 KS2 to watch the Apples and Pears Nativity dress rehearsal.
- 13.12.23 Apples and Pears Nativity at St John's Church 2pm & 5pm.
- 14.12.23 KS2 Carols around the Tree at school 9.15am.
- 15.12.23 Apples and Pears: Captivating Creature Workshop.
- **19.12.23** School Christmas Lunch and wear a Christmas Jumper. Usual uniform applies other than the jumper please. £1 donations to wear a Christmas jumper (donations to Martin House) should be made online following HERE. No cash please.
- 19.12.23 Apples Christmas Party.
- 20.12.23 Tigers Christmas Party.
- 20.12.23 Pears Class Final Flourish 9.10 in the hall.
- 21.12.23 Busy Bees Christmas Party.
- 22.12.23 Pears Christmas Party.
- **22.12.23** Break up at 3.30pm.

Spring Term Dates

- **8.1.24** -Teacher Training Day (School Closed)
- **9.1.24** School open to students
- 11.1.24 Busy Bees Guest visit from the dentist
- 12.1.24 Busy Bees swimming lessons start
- 22.1.24 Mini Medics rearranged workshops for KS1 and KS2
- **2.2.24** -NSPCC Number Day Competition to come dressed as the most creative number themed outfit! £2 to enter.
- 9.2.24 Break up for the half term holiday
- **19.2.24** School reopens

YELLOW & WHITE RIBBONS...

Apples:

Cassia - Positivity

Noah - Positivity

Pears:

William - Independence

Annabel - Respect



Tigers:

Busy Bees:

Ike - Perseverance

Tuesday - Positivity

Hugo - Demonstrating a range

of values

Ruby - Demonstrating a range

of values

HOUSE POINTS ...

Willow - 167

Hawthorn - 92

Rowan - 50

Maple - 124

Well done to Willow this week!

White Ribbon

Archie - Compassion

FONR Disco

Thanks to everyone who has purchased tickets for Fridays Christmas Disco! We hope to make it a festive evening of fun for the kids.

Polite reminder- only drinks purchased on site may be consumed during the event.

See you all tonight!

This week the 'British Horse Society' came in to speak to the Year 3 and 4 children about how to behave around horses when meeting them on a road or a bridleway. They have learnt that they need to slow down, give lots of space and be nice and say hello.





Mixed 3 and 4 Football Tournament

On Wednesday 15th November, a mixed Year 3 and 4 team represented our Fellowship at the Mixed Year 3 and 4 Sporting Influence Football Tournament at Harrogate High. The children played extremely well and showed great koinonia and positivity throughout. Once again, the behaviour was exceptional, and it was a delight to accompany the children. A big thank you to children for taking part and all the parents who supported this event. Well done everyone!

FONR UPDATES

On Wednesday the children will be having their Christmas party lunch after the theatre trip. Please provide your child with a packed lunch on this date with their favourite party foods! The children will all eat together in the hall and enjoy some festive music and cheer with their friends and teachers. No fizzy drinks, please, but juice is absolutely fine on this occasion.

Community Advent Calendar

One of our new Fellowship governors, Fiona Parish, is an active volunteer at the Otley Food Bank. During the month of December, as a school, we have decided to support this cause by creating a community advent calendar. We are asking that over the festive period, where possible, families donate non-perishable goods which will go straight into our wider community when it is needed most.

Mrs Gardiner has worked with Fiona to devise the community advent calendar which will be out in the playground during the December mornings, please see the attached leaflet in email. Many thanks in anticipation of your support.