



# KEEPING IN TOUCH

## Message from Mr M

### Staffing News

Mrs Cafferty is recovering well following an operation and is set to return to work before October half term.

Mrs Whitby is also recovering well from her surgery although her return to school will be a lot longer due to the nature of her surgery. She is missing everyone and is working towards a return in the new year.

We have had a positive response to our recruitment drive for Midday Supervisors and have 3 new people joining the team over the coming weeks.

One of our current MSA's leaves tomorrow. We say farewell to Mrs Sayers who is leaving with her family as part of a posting order.

*goodbye*

### Leave of Absence



Please remember that any leave of absence needs to be recorded and can only be authorised if it meets one of the criteria set by the DFE.

Leave must be authorised in advance and accompanying evidence must be provided.

Please visit the school website for the most up to date information.

## Parent Consultations

The Autumn Term Parent Consultations are scheduled for;  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October  
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October  
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October



Bookings will go LIVE next week.

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## Year 6 Open Events Secondary School

Secondary School Applications for 26/27 must be made by 31st October 2025.

Applications are made via the North Yorkshire Admissions Team;  
<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-admissions/starting-secondary-school>

### Open Evenings

Risedale School -  
Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September - 6pm

Richmond School -  
Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October - 5pm

St Francis Xavier, Richmond -  
Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October

Wensleydale School -  
Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September - 6pm

Bedale High School -  
Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September - 5pm

Giggleswick School -  
Saturday 11 October, 9.30am to 12.00



# BOOK OF THE WEEK

This week, Grace has been reading Magic Spirit the Dream Horse, Grace says “ its all about a girl who wants to be a horse rider when she grows up, I like horses and want to be a horse rider when i grow up, my mum boiught me this book. I think she will get a horse at the end”



# KS1 Awards Assembly



Well done to everyone  
for their hard work!

# Join Our Choir



Make our choir,  
your choir!



Any child from a military-connected family, aged 6-16, who loves to sing can join our fun and vibrant choir- no auditions and no experience needed!

Service Children's Community Choir  
Wednesday 6-7.30pm  
Le Cateau School Hall  
£4.50 per session

servicechildrenscommunitychoir@gmail.com  
@servicechildrencommunitychoir  
servicechildrencommunitychoir.co.uk



# A CHRISTMAS



and  
friends!

# CRACKER!

Wednesday 17th December

7pm-9.30pm

The Garden Rooms

Leyburn

Adults £10

Children under 10 £5



# AUTUMN ROCK CLIMBING



Our holiday climbing sessions are an ideal way for kids to get out and enjoy the great outdoors during the holidays. With activities including climbing, abseiling and weaselling, it is an action-packed day.  
**Holiday Session - £55.00 (7-16 years old)**

**Ilkley Cow & Calf: Monday-Wednesday, 10:00-16:00**

**Brimham Rocks: Thursday-Friday, 10:00-16:00**

Childcare Vouchers accepted



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# MILITARY FAMILIES ENGAGEMENT EVENT

ARE YOU A SPOUSE / PARTNER OF SOMEONE  
CURRENTLY SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES?

**1ST OCTOBER 2025**

**10AM-12PM OR 1PM-3PM**

**CATTERICK LEISURE CENTRE**

JOIN US TO TALK ABOUT THE EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES  
MILITARY FAMILIES FACE AND HELP SHAPE HOW LOCAL SERVICES  
WORK TOGETHER TO BETTER MEET YOUR NEEDS.

**REGISTER YOUR PLACE HERE:**

SCAN ME!



**SOFT PLAY!**

**£10 VOUCHER!**

OR EMAIL: [HNYICB.ENGAGEMENT@NHS.NET](mailto:HNYICB.ENGAGEMENT@NHS.NET)





# Are you struggling with a defiant child?



## **Facing Defiance**

A six part online course for parents that you can complete in your own time.

A step by step guide through a specific strategy aimed to support parents of children aged between 5 to 12 who are displaying very challenging behaviour, including children with ADHD, ODD and PDA.

go to **[facefamilyadvice.co.uk](https://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)**

Book online £48

on the **Online Parenting Courses** page

# October Timetable

All sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

**£24 each or FREE with School Membership**

Book online at [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

Recordings available for 48 hours (excluding Free Talk)

Understanding The Teenage Brain	6 Oct 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	6 Oct 7pm
Supporting A Child With ADHD	13 Oct 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	13 Oct 7pm
Autism Improving Communication	14 Oct 10am
Improving Family Communication	14 Oct 7pm
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	20 Oct 10am
Facing Defiance	20 Oct 7pm
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	21 Oct 10am
Understanding Anger	21 Oct 7pm
<b>FREE - Raising Self-Esteem</b>	<b>23 Oct 7-8pm</b>
Anxiety Explained	27 Oct 10am
Cannabis and Ketamine Awareness	27 Oct 7pm
What Is ACT?	28 Oct 10am
Introduction To OCD	28 Oct 7pm



## FS1 Bears



In FS1 this week, we have enjoyed following the children's interests. We have hunted for minibeasts, made a giant conker 'marble run' and explored the sand. We have also painted some fabulous bears!

Next week, we will be continuing to follow the children's interests.

Don't forget...Forest Schools is on a Tuesday morning and a Thursday afternoon.



## FS2 Mice & Hippos



We have had a great week reading our book 'Super Duper You' by Sophie Henn. We have been looking at what makes us super duper and celebrating our differences. Next week we will carry on with the book 'Super Duper You' concentrating on our feelings and Zones of regulation. We will also be celebrating National Poetry Day with a poetry performance and activities.

Look out on SeeSaw for their performance!

## Caterpillar Room



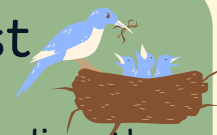
We have had a wonderful week this week continuing on with our movement topic, we have enjoyed ball work in P.E and have loved exploring painting using different sized resources, working on our gross motor and fine motor skills.

Next week we will continue to follow the childrens interests

A big well done to all our Caterpillars for coming into school so confidently and independently.

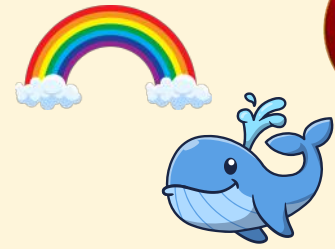
Please remember forest school is on a Wednesday morning so waterproofs and wellies please.

## News from the Nest



This week we have been reading the book ' Super Duper You'. A story told by the Big Brother of an extraordinary little girl, focusing around self confidence and celebrating our differences. Our activities have been based around feelings and numbers. We have also been doing our Christmas cards!

**Reminder for parents:** Please bring in some spare clothes and coats.



## This week in Year 1

Next week we will be basing our English lessons around the book 'You can't take an elephant on the bus'. The children will be predicting an outcome, expressing their ideas in writing and having fun creating their own version of the story.

In maths we are moving onto subtraction. The children will challenge their thinking by taking away from 10.

We will be exploring different running techniques and building stamina in PE. In history the children will be looking at different modes of transport through the years. In music the children are exploring pulse and how this alters the music we listen to.

*Don't forget*

Outdoor PE: Monday afternoon.

Indoor PE: Tuesday afternoon.

Children should come to school wearing PE kit and wear this all day. The weather is changing, therefore the children need to have appropriate clothing to access the outdoor area.

No jewellery, please and hair tied back.

### Special Shout Outs for Y1

**1E - Kristiana, Ronnie, Mila,  
Ezra and Poppy**

**1C - Reuban, Jake, Rosie and  
Ben**

**1H - Arthur, Rosie and Tyler**

## This week in Year 2

Year 2 have been busy this week! We have been working hard on our number bonds in Maths, breaking numbers in to smaller numbers. Whilst in English we have been retelling a story about a boy who goes hunting for dragons. You may have also heard your child talking about making Xmas cards! (We have to send them off to print, that is why we have done them so early :)

Next week, we start on rounding to the nearest 10 in Maths and will look at 'Bossy verbs' giving instructions in English.

Some of you will have received an email about the Multi-skills Competition on the 1st October at Wavell School. If your child is attending they should come to school in their PE kit on that day and have a snack to take. They will be back for normal lunch in school.

Also we are starting to plan our annual Harvest Festival celebration assembly, which we will be inviting parents to. More details to follow on this next week.

### A big shout out to

Shouts out this week go to Matthew in 2R for excellent reading at home, everyday.

In 2W shout out to Luna for trying her hardest in all lessons, especially Maths.

**A reminder that our PE days  
are:**

**Tuesday - Outdoor PE**

**Wednesday - Indoor PE**

**Please come to school in your  
PE kit on those days.**



## Year 3 Heart & Aces & Incredible Llamas



Year 3 have really enjoyed searching for rocks out and about.

We have found out about prehistoric creatures.

Ask your child about France - we have started our French topic and will be learning some French greetings.

Shout outs for everyone who has made the effort with homework!

Ellie, Grace, Malachi and Pippa 3AH  
Grace and Hannah 3IL

Next week we start addition in maths! Please remember to read at home - everyone has now been given a school reading book.

*Well done!*

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3HA

Grace and Hannah in 3IL

**Our PE days are Monday and Wednesday. Please come in PE kit for the day.**



## Year 4 Butterflies & Tigers



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This week, we had a fantastic start to the week when we stepped back in time to be a child evacuee. All the pupils had a brilliant experience. Let us know if they tempt you into making Spam Hash at home! In maths we continue to look closely at number patterns involving numbers up to 10,000. In Art, we will use line and shade to create a Christmas card design. These will be sent home for parents to choose to purchase.



In RE, we will begin to look at Hinduism and how Hindus worship. In music, pupils listen to music linked to 1940s and compared this to modern day popular music.

In computing, pupils considered how algorithms can impact on how effectively a program works or not. They discovered how the term de-bugging can fix errors within algorithms.

### Congratulations...

**Butterfly of the Week:** Teddy for excellent behaviour and participation in Forest School.

**Tiger of the Week:** Elizabeth for consistent positive attitude to her learning and excellent behaviour!



### Don't Forget



**Indoor PE:** Tuesday morning.

**Outdoor PE:** Friday morning.

Come to school wearing PE kit and wear this all day. If you don't have a PE hoody, please bring a school jumper to wear after PE.

No jewellery, please and hair tied back.



## Year 5 Hummingbirds & Stars



Wednesday 8th October - WW1 visit to the ranges.

Our first big write this week – we have published our diary entries! Fantastic high standards across year 5.

We are celebrating Dashain this Friday and will be delving into Nepalese culture.

In maths, we have started rounding numbers which follows our hard work on consolidating place value.



Shouts out this week go to:

5S – Isabella for incredible science work including labelled diagrams. Jacob L for amazing efforts into his reading!

5H – Lily-Mae and Lewis for amazing writing! Their work was full of fronted adverbials, similes and lots of emotion!

**Reminder of our expectation of reading; please sign your child's reading record. The expectation is to read at least twice weekly, and we still have children with 0 reads since beginning year 5.**

**Alongside this, please support your child with their Zappers and spellings.**

Xmas fair 28th November



## Year 6 Hawks & Heroes



### Reminders for parents:

Reading diaries and homework to be handed in every Thursday.

We understand that some pupils are struggling to logon onto Seesaw. This is a problem with Seesaw, and they have been contacted directly. We hope to rectify this problem very soon.

### Shout out:

6RH

Isabella – always ready to learn

James – Always trying his best

Ariel – always contributing to lessons

6JH

Vili – always working hard and being focused

Auden and Ava – exceptional pieces of writing!

### PE days:

Marrick Priory residential information meeting

22nd October 3:30 – 4pm in the hall, please enter via breakfast club door.

### Upcoming events:

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