

In Touch

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Learning and Good Attendance

Attendance was very good for some classes as you can see below. It is good to see the majority of children arriving when the doors open at 8:50am (8.45am for Nursery) which is the ideal time for children to arrive in school. Your target is to arrive on time, every day and not after 9.10am. Please help us to achieve this goal.

The smiley face says if the target of 97% has been met and the stars show how close to the 100% they were.

September Attendance:

McCartney (Mrs Hobson) – 98% ★★★

Boudicca (Miss Harrison/Ms Jones) - 98% ★★★

Newton (Mrs Milivojevic) – 98% ★★★

Lennon (Mrs Darwin) – 97% ★★

Bevan (Miss Poole) – 97% ★★

Walt Disney (Miss Milner) – 97% ★★

Wonder (Mrs Currie/Mrs Reeve – 96%

Peake (Mr Wriglesworth/Mrs Burdett) – 96%

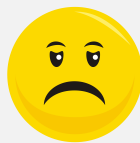
Da Vinci (Mrs Hopwood) – 96%

Malala (Miss Cozens) – 96%

Warhol (Mrs Cavell/Mrs Hughes) – 95%

Spielberg (Miss Jefferson) – 94%

Bannister (Mr Russon) – 94%



Well done to Mrs Hobson's Class McCartney and Miss Harrison/Ms Jones' Class Boudicca for having the best attendance of the term so far at 98%.



Upcoming Events

October 5

Anne Fine, Author – visit

October 5

Virtual Marathon

October 7

Harvest Festival – 9.45am at St. James' Church

October 11

Group and Individual photographs

October 14

Coffee Morning – Stay & Learn for MacMillan Cancer

News in Brief

- Well done to all our new reception starters for settling into school so well.
- We are still accepting places for 2 and 3 year olds in nursery (Roarys) please contact the office for more details.

Attendance Star

The Fun Run in Goole provides our weekly attendance winner with a voucher worth £5 for a free play session at their establishment in Goole. Winning children will be presented with a letter and a voucher that they can exchange for a free play session. Well done to Adam in Class Walt Disney and Amelia in Class Boudicca who are the winners of the voucher for 100% attendance in September. For further details visit The Fun Run <http://www.thefunrunngoole.com/>.

You've got to be in to win!

Attendance in the Spotlight: September Absences

We have had a good start to the new school year in September with absences being low so far. However, research shows that some children who are absent from school early on in the school year in September may be some of the children who are likely to continue to have absences throughout the rest of the school year. We will be monitoring this closely and will be contacting parents and carers to discuss this during our regular Attendance Panel Meetings.

Start of Day Registration

Please be reminded that the KS1 and KS2 entrance doors into school are opened from 8.50am. This is the time that the school day starts, unless your child is in Roarys when they will start at 8:45am.

- Registers close at **9.10am** promptly, along with of the KS1 and KS2 entrance doors.
- Children arriving after **9.10am** must arrive via the school office where they will be marked as late on the register and have a hot dinner booked (if required). A member of staff will take them from the office to their class.
- Children arriving at school after a medical appointment should be registered at the school office and a member of staff will take them to their class.
- It is a parent/carers responsibility to contact the school telephone in the first instance to notify us of **any** absence.
- To avoid getting caught up in the 'traffic' in the corridors during drop-off and collection, please leave school through the same door that you entered school through.
- Please refrain from using the school office to enter or exit from school during drop-off or collection times, as this is a main emergency exit and should be kept clear at all times.

Thank you for co-operating with this system, as it has been put in place to ensure that your child/ren are registered efficiently and so that we can ascertain the whereabouts of any absent children quickly to ensure their safety.

Are your Children Equipped for the School Day?

Forest Schools

Please ensure that children participating in Forest Schools bring a set of warm clothes, waterproof coat, gloves, hat and wellies (individually named and in a named bag) on the morning of the session. **Classes Bannister and Bevan will be taking part every Wednesday until the 19th October 2016 .**

Swimming Lessons

Please ensure that children who have swimming lessons bring their towel, swimming costume (no bikinis) and £2 contribution on the morning of the session.

Thank you for all contributions paid so far, please keep them coming.



- Classe Peake are having swimming lessons every Friday until the 15th December.

Breakfast Club and After School Club

We still have plenty of room at Breakfast Club if you would like your children to join us from 8.00am every morning. The Club is sponsored by Magic Breakfast www.magicbreakfast.com Please ensure that your child(ren) are supervised by a parent/carer in the school reception area until they are handed over to a member of the Breakfast Club staff.

After School Club runs daily from 3.20pm until 5.45pm daily at a cost of £3.00 per child. Please call at the school office or telephone to book a place. Please see the timetable for this term

Monday & Tuesday	Play/Arts/Crafts/Outdoor Play/Computers
Wednesday	Games/Computers
Thursday	Outdoor Play
Friday	Film

Parking and Obstruction

This message has been received from North Yorkshire Police to be relayed to all parents/carers:-



If you are dropping off or picking up your child from school please can you bear in mind where you are parking. There have been numerous complaints from residents who are being blocked in on their driveway and being obstructed by vehicles from leaving their property at school times. PCSO'S and the staff from the local school will be monitoring the situation, obtaining vehicle registrations and follow up enquiries conducted which may lead to prosecutions/issuing of fines for willful obstruction of the highway. Please be aware of and adhere to safe parking and unnecessary obstruction at school drop off and collection times.

Anne Fine Visit – Wednesday, 5th October 2016

On October 5th, the second Children's Laureate and distinguished prize-winning writer author, Anne Fine, will be paying us a visit in school, to share extracts and experiences with our children. Amongst other books, Anne has written *Madame Doubtfire*, *The Angel of Nitshill Road*, *Bill's New Frock* and *Diary of a Killer Cat*, Accompanying her, will be travelling bookshop *Roving Books*, with their varied range of engaging books for children – there will be an opportunity to browse and purchase these both at the beginning and end of the day. Further details about Anne's visit will follow soon.

Ben Smith 401 Virtual Marathon Challenge – Wednesday, 5th October 2016

Ben Smith has been running a marathon (26.2 miles) on every day for over a year, completing his challenge of running 401 marathons on the 5th October. The children who are members of our school running team are going to jointly run a marathon as part of the 401 Challenge on the 5th October and are donating £1 each to the charities below. We welcome any further donations to this worthwhile cause which work to raise awareness of bullying in schools. Ben is hoping to raise £250,000 for these charities.



Harvest Festival – Friday, 7th October 2016

All parents/carers and family members are most welcome to join us and it would be extremely helpful if any parents could accompany the children on their walk to St. James' Church and back. Please contact the school office if you are available to do so. We will leave school just after the registers close at 9.10am to arrive at the Church for the service at 9.45am.

This year we are supporting Selby Foodbank which is run by the Selby churches, providing emergency food parcels for families and individuals who are in crisis and have no food. Food is donated by the local community for the local community. If you would like to donate any food, please send them to school with your child on the morning of the Harvest Festival. Due to shelf-life and low stocks the following foods would be gratefully received:-

- Small packs of fruit juice
- coffee
- small packs of sugar
- small packs of rice
- tinned meat
- Weetabix type cereals

Photographs – Individual and Family Groups – Tuesday, 11th October 2016

Please look out for a letter coming home in book bags soon regarding these.

Stay and Learn Coffee Morning – Friday, 14th October 2016

At drop-off we would like to invite parents and carers to stay and take part in some learning with your child in the classroom and then pop along to the hall to have a cup of coffee or tea and a cake. We would be grateful for any donations of cakes. All money raised will go to Macmillan Cancer Support. We would love to see as many parents and carers as possible and show you that learning really isn't that scary!



Dental Survey – Years 1 and 2 – Tuesday, 8th November 2016

The children in Years 1 and 2 have been selected to take part in a dental survey by Northern Lincolnshire And Goole NHS Foundation Trust. The Trust are conducting a study of the dental health of school children across England in 2016/17 and the results of the survey will help them to plan better dental services. Please return your completed form to the school office if you wish your child to take part by **Friday, 7th October 2016**. The dentists will be conducting their survey on Tuesday, 8th November 2016. Thank you to the parents/carers who have agreed to let their children take part in the survey.

Annual Flu Vaccination – Years 1, 2 and 3 – Tuesday, 15th November 2016

Flu vaccinations are due for children in Years 1, 2 and 3. You will have received an explanatory letter and Consent Form in your child's book bag at the beginning of this term. If you have not yet completed and returned the Form to the school office, please so as-soon-as-possible. If you need another copy of the Form, please call at the school office. Staff from the childhood Immunisation team will visit school on the afternoon of Tuesday, 15th November to vaccinate the children for whom consent has been given.

Year 6 Residential to East Barnby – 12th to 16th September 2016



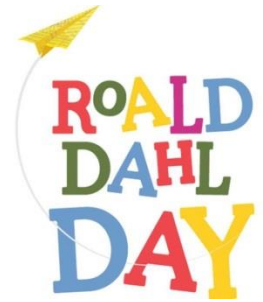
On the 16th September we arrived back after our Year 6 residential at East Barnby just next to Whitby. We did a myriad of thrilling activities. My favourite out of the exciting adventures was the canoeing due to the fact you didn't know what was coming round the corner. We also took part in two night-time activities which were orienteering with Mr Clennan and the code-copying alien challenge. The groups could also do football and frisbee outside but me and Blake didn't want to.

On the penultimate night we slid down the water-spraying ski-slope and most people succeeded in going down without doing roly-polys. After that we gathered up around the camp fire and had cocoa and toasted marshmallows and sung songs as well.

Mrs Burdett fell into a hole like a rabbit after a carrot at the rock-climbing. I love East Barnby! One of the best experiences of my life! **By Daniel** Thank you to Mr Wriglesworth, Miss Harrison, Mrs Briggs, Miss Cozens & Mrs Burdett for joining our Year 6 children this year.

Roald Dahl's 100th Birthday Celebration – Tuesday, 13th September 2016

The whole school celebrated what would have been Roald Dahl's 100th birthday recently. Each class took a book and devised activities around it. Year five had a fabulous morning focusing on the book Matilda. After a session of watching clips and answering questions on the film they then had a visit to Selby library where they had two entertaining stories read to them and the chance to join the library and borrow books. The children were brilliantly behaved and enjoyed the time to talk about the books they had chosen.



Years 3 & 4 – Visiting Archaeologist – Monday, 26th September 2016

On Monday 26th September, Classes Warhol, Wonder, Boudicca and Newton were lucky enough to have a visit from an archaeologist! Don Henson, from York University, came to talk to the children about Mesolithic Britain - the middle part of the Stone Age. We learned what life would have been like in Britain 10,000 years ago, and got the chance to handle ancient artefacts that have been found on a Mesolithic archaeological site in North Yorkshire called Star Carr.



The children were amazed to learn how different Britain would have been all those years ago: did you know that Britain wasn't even an island at the start of the Mesolithic? We were connected by land to mainland Europe and Scandinavia! The children were a very enthusiastic audience, and a number of Class Warhol children were late going for lunch that day, because they were desperate to ask Don more questions!

Don thoroughly enjoyed the day, and said that our children were great fun, and a pleasure to talk to. Well done Year 3 & 4!

House Points & Rewards

As part of our new term we have started a house point system. Every Friday the winning house receives an extra playtime, with children collecting individual house points towards their own personal badges across the year. We have 4 houses and 8 House Captains;
S = Strength

T = Teamwork

A = Aspire

R = Resilience

There will be a range of competitions across the year.

Start and End of Day

Thank you for everyone's understanding with the start and end of day arrangements. Our school has doubled in size over the last 5 years and we no longer have any spare space in the corridors. We still really want parents to pop in and talk to staff, but sometimes an appointment is easier. We have only 4 doors out of the building for all 350 children, so thank you for your patience at those busier times. If you are collecting more than one child and need an easier collection arrangement please speak to the class teachers and they will happily sort something so you don't have to trek right around the whole site.