

In Touch

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Learning and Good Attendance

A belated Happy New Year to everyone and we hope that you are all settled into your routines at home as we are in school. As you can see, January has not been the best of months for illness in school with some cases of sickness and diarrhoea and cold-type viruses. Usually this improves as we move into February and March.

The smiley face says if the target of 97% has been met.

January Attendance:

Boudicca (Miss Harrison/Ms Jones) – 97% ★★★

Bannister (Mr Russon) – 97% ★★★

Bevan (Miss Poole) – 97% ★★★



Peake (Mr Wriglesworth/Mrs Burdett) – 96%

Warhol (Mrs Cavell/Mrs Hughes) – 96%

McCartney (Mrs Hobson) – 96%

Da Vinci (Mrs Hopwood) – 95%

Wonder (Mrs Currie/Mrs Reeve) – 94%

Walt Disney (Miss Milner) – 93%

Malala (Miss Cozens) – 93%

Spielberg (Miss Jefferson) – 92%

Newton (Mrs Milivojevic) – 90%

Lennon (Mrs Darwin) – 89%



Well done to Miss Harrison/Ms Jones' Class Boudicca, Mr Russon's Class Bannister and Miss Poole's Class Bevan for having the best attendance for January at 97%.

Upcoming Events

February 10

Barnardos – Big Hat Day

February 17

School Ends at 3.20pm

February 27

School Opens at 8.50am

- £1081 raised for School Funds from the Christmas Fair.
- We welcome a new art instructor to the team. Mr Ollie Holman will begin working Tuesdays very soon.
- Watch out for details about the new nursery 30 hour free entitlement for 3 and 4 year olds to see if you qualify

Attendance in the Spotlight: Preventing and Treating Threadworms

We have had a very small number of children who have had threadworms in school recently. You will find the following information which is available from the *NHS website* that may be helpful to you.

Threadworms are white and look like small pieces of thread. You may notice them around your child's anus or in your child's stools. They don't always cause symptoms, but people often notice itchiness around their anus or vagina which can be worse at night and can sometimes disturb sleep.

Preventing threadworms

It is not always possible to prevent a threadworm infection, but you can significantly reduce your risk by always maintaining good hygiene and encouraging children to do the same, as follows:-

- Children and adults in the family should wash their hands regularly, particularly after going to the toilet and before mealtimes. This is encouraged in school.
- Kitchen and bathroom surfaces should be kept clean.
- If your child is infected, encourage them not to scratch the affected area around their anus or vagina and this will help prevent re-infection and reduce the risk of the infection spreading to other people.

Treatment

If you think you or your child may have threadworms, you can:-

- Treat the infection yourself with medication purchased from a pharmacy without prescription.
- Book an appointment with your prescribing nurse who can prescribe treatment free of charge to children and parents entitled to free prescriptions.

If your child has threadworms, everyone in your household **must** be treated because the risk of the infection spreading is high. This includes people without any symptoms of a threadworm infection. If you find that your child does have threadworms then there is no need to keep your child off school.

Are your Children Equipped for the School Day?

Forest Schools

Please ensure that children participating in Forest Schools bring a set of warm clothes, gloves, hat and wellies (individually named and in a named bag) on the morning of the session. Waterproofs are provided by school.

- Year 4 classes Warhol and Newton will be taking part every Wednesday until the 15th February 2017.

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. Please remember to pay weekly and thank you to everybody who does.

- Year 4 Classes Warhol and Newton are having swimming lessons every Thursday until 16th February.

Science Museum, Year 5 – 5th January 2017

In the first week back after the Christmas break, Year 5 made an exciting visit to London. Leaving Selby Station, we took the train and arrived at Kings Cross Station, where we took the Tube to the Science Museum. We saw some amazing sights - from the awesome space exhibition to some of the very first computers (we couldn't believe the size of them!). After leaving the Science Museum, we made a stop at the Natural History Museum where we came face-to-face with some Jurassic creatures.

For the remainder of the day, we went for a walk through the city taking in some of the most famous landmarks of the city, including Buckingham Palace, Trafalgar Square and Leicester Square. Very wearily, we caught our return train home, arriving back at 9pm! It was a day to remember and all the staff were extremely proud of our children who were fantastic ambassadors for our school.

Young Voices, Voice Academy – 10th January 2017

Some of the children who attend our Voice Academy with Mr Walker were selected to attend the Young Voices concert in Sheffield Arena, along with others who chose to come themselves. We had worked hard since September; learning songs such as 'Birdhouse In Your Soul', 'Ain't No Mountain High Enough' and the always popular 'Pop Medley', along with dance moves to the Justin Timberlake remix. This has always been a lively and vibrant event and this year it was no different, with the children making up a choir of over 5000, performing in front of 9000 people and they shone. You can see from the photograph how much the children enjoyed taking part. The staff who attended were impressed by their impeccable behaviour and enthusiasm for all parts of the concert. The children will be showcasing their abilities with performances at different events throughout the year.



Parents'/Carers' Evenings

This January was our best attendance ever. Thank you to all those who made our new look afternoon, evening or made a separate appointment. Our next session will be after the Easter holidays and we will run the same format again with both a daytime and after school option. As always if you have any concerns or comments about your child's progress then please talk to the class teacher.

Parent/Carer Storytime Invite – Reception – 25th January 2017

Over 30 parents and carers from classes McCartney and Lennon enjoyed listening to the children tell the story of "wow said the owl" by Tim hopgood. The two classes are doing lots of learning about colours and owls. Next we will innovate the story and write a new one called. "wow said the bat". Guess which child in Class Lennon is behind the owl mask?



Readathon – Helping Children

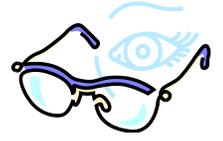
During the next week, please look out in your child's book bag for a sponsor envelope and an explanatory letter for you to help support the Readathon which we are taking part in soon.

For children in hospital, books are incredibly important - they comfort, distract, reassure and entertain. Throughout the year, Readathon provides brand new books and storyteller visits to brighten up the days of children in hospitals across the UK. Even children unable to leave their beds can choose books from Readathon's specially designed mobile bookcase. Because they are brand new, the books are safe for those at high risk of infection.

In the space of just one year, Readathon gives hospitals over 25,000 new books and provide 210 storytelling days, bringing the magic of books and stories to over 100,000 seriously ill children and their families. As well as their hospital programme they also support children in hospitals via these three brilliant charities, [The Roald Dahl Marvellous Children's Charity](#), [CLIC Sargent](#) and [Together for Short Lives](#).

Spectacles

We have collected a number of pairs of spectacles in the school office which children have misplaced in school. Attempts to reunite them with their owners have failed so far.



Student Updates

Please look out for the pink form which was sent home with every child recently. So that we have as much information about your child and are able to contact you in case of an emergency, please complete and return the forms to the school office, as soon as possible. Thank you to everyone who has returned their forms already. If your form has disappeared into a black hole, please do not worry we have many more that can be handed out, so please call at the school office.



Free places for 2-year-old children at Selby Community Primary School Roary's Nursery.

Let your child come and experience learning through play in a safe, secure and stimulating environment.



Call in the school office to see if you qualify for 15 hours a week or call 01757 702464



'Bienvenue!'



The MFL (Modern Foreign Language) team at Selby CP have decided that it would be beneficial for parents to read about what exciting things the children at our school are learning about in their French lessons.

A new newsletter 'Bienvenue' will be sent out once a month in book bags and by e:mail when the e:mail account is operational.

e:mail address contacts

We are always trying to find ways to save paper and be environmentally friendly. Please help us by adding your e:mail address on your child's pink update form, or calling in at the school office to do so. We will be sending important school letters and the In Touch newsletter out to parent/carers by e:mail from February.

Please note that our e:mail account only allow us to send or receive e:mails from English e:mail accounts.

North Yorkshire Healthy Child Programme

NYCC Healthy Child Team are offering a FREE and CONFIDENTIAL 12 week programme to fit around your family to support children and young people achieve and maintain a healthy weight. The personalised support is designed to be fun, positive and energizing experience. Topics to explore include:-

- How to eat healthily without breaking the bank
- Fun and free ways to stay active
- Small, positive changes to help you achieve a healthier lifestyle

Please telephone either one of the the Healthy Child Team:-

Bryony Smith - 01609 536418 or Donna Cockroft – 01609 536799