

# **NEWSLETTER**

## 13 May 2022

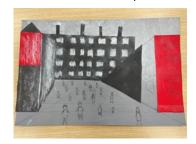


Dear parents, carers and children

I would like to start by saying how proud I am of our Year 6 children. They have worked so hard, not only this year, but throughout their time at primary school and this week was their opportunity to show what they could do. Although the test papers have been collected to be marked externally so we don't know the results yet, what we do know is that the children have done their absolute best; they had a mature attitude to the tests and applied themselves well. Very well done to you all! A special mention from me to all the staff in Year 6 who have kept the children motivated, helping them to address gaps in their learning caused by the disruption over the last two years, whilst also maintaining a calm and positive atmosphere. Thank you, it is so appreciated.

Despite the obvious focus on English and maths, it is important to maintain the broad and balanced curriculum and the children have continued to benefit from access to the full range of foundation subjects. As part of their topic on the Industrial Revolution, the children produced some amazing artwork using L.S. Lowry as the inspiration. Here are a few examples.







An amazing assembly from Coral class on Friday. I don't think Mrs Strahand will mind me saying that it was the first time she had put together a class assembly and it was great! The topic was the Vikings and the children have thoroughly enjoyed learning lots of information which they delivered clearly and with confidence; it was a slick performance! The show started with a song in French, then we had further singing, battle dancing, model longships, shields, science investigations in floating and sinking and finally a fantastic ukulele performance of Deep Purple's 'Smoke on the Water' cleverly remastered as Deep Coral's 'Vikings on the Water'. Mr Floyd would have been thrilled to hear you. Well done to you all!

#### Other news:

- Please could I ask that you do not put Nutella type chocolate spread in sandwiches as we have children that have nut allergies.
- I have received a complaint regarding some parents keeping their engines running in the car park. For our children's benefit as well as the environment could I please remind you to turn your engines off when you are in the vicinity of the school both in the car park and surrounding roads. Thank you.
- There has been concern expressed by some parents that the children are not allowed to talk in the hall. I would just like to clarify that we do treat lunchtimes as a social occasion and the children are encouraged to chat to their friends. However, sometimes the noise level reaches an unacceptable level which makes conversation impossible. At those times the children are asked to stop talking for a short time just to calm things down before the chatter resumes. With my office so close to the hall, I can assure you it is not quiet for long!

And finally, please have a look on page 3 for the winning Guiseley Wells poem written by Arthur.

Have a lovely weekend and good luck planning those Jubilee outfits!

Best wishes

Mrs Buckton, Headteacher

#### Stars of the Week

Nursery - Toby, Frances, Maisie, Sophie & Joey



**Red Class** - Francis for using his blending skills brilliantly during whole class reading and Charlie P for telling an amazing story about a chicken in the Ted group!

**Orange Class** - Isla for a fantastic Three Little Pigs Story map and Dexter for super work naming and describing 2d shapes

**Yellow Class** - Mia for some lovely independent writing about landmarks in the Guiseley area and Gracie for some super work when finding half of a shape

**Green Class** - Elliot for his great aerial plan of the classroom and James for some great work on halving in maths this week

**Blue Class** - Kyrylo for his super effort with his joined handwriting and Holly C for her outstanding presentation in her writing

**Indigo Class** - Jessica for her superb information book about The Great Fire of London and Theadora for her excellent attitude towards learning and always wanting to do her best

**Violet Class** - George R for really applying himself in Maths this week and contributing to class discussions and Helen for her improving confidence in PE. The Violet Class staff have been really impressed with her pass and move skills in handball!

**Pink Class** - Eddie for great understanding in our fractions work and Maryanne for excellent descriptive writing about Pompeii

Coral Class - The whole class for all their hard work to create an amazing assembly

**Amber Class** - Orla for coming up with an accurate solution to the make 100 nrich problem. Excellent maths problem solving Orla! Also Ralph for making huge progress with skipping!

**Jade Class** - Eden for an excellent diary entry, using lots of the Year 5 grammar we have been learning! Also Isla for an excellent diary entry about the plague and for being an exceptional role model to other pupils in school.

**Lime Class** - Sasha for writing a detailed diary entry and beautifully illustrating it! Also Kyle for being so focussed on his learning this week and putting his hand up to contribute to class discussions!

**Purple Class** - The whole class for their hard work and positive attitude towards their Year 6 SATS. You've made us proud!

**Turquoise Class** - The whole class for sitting their SATS this week. A special mention to Lily B for her brilliant attitude to the tests despite being a bit worried and also Evie for showing real resilience during the maths tests. Well done!

Well done everybody!

### **Mathlete of the Week**



The Mathletes of the Week for this week are:

KS1 - Tobias (Blue) and KS2 - Riley (Pink)

Well done!

If your child is in KS1 or KS2, please keep encouraging them to use Mathletics to access maths activities and games tailored to them. Please let their teacher know if your child cannot access Mathletics at home.

## Pen Licence

Well done to the following children for earning their pen licence this week!

Sienna (Violet) and Logan W (Jade)

#### **Houses**

Nethermoor, Nunroyd, Parkinson and Springfield

Children can earn points for their house by displaying behaviours that follow our Rainbow Code:

Respect (for all)

Achieve (always do your very best)

Inclusive (we all matter)

**N**urture (we care and are considerate)

**B**elong (it's good to be part of something)

Outstanding (effort and perseverance)

Whole (whole child, whole family, whole community)

The points for this week are:

Nethermoor177Nunroyd206Parkinson226Springfield221

Well done to **Parkinson** house!

#### **Diary Dates**

**Monday 16th to Friday 20th May** - Walk to School Week. Please see full details opposite.

Monday 16th to Friday 27th May - Bikeability for Year 6. Children will be attending on different days. If your child is bringing their own bike, please use the bike shelter in the main playground.

**Monday 16th May** - Environment Day including Ocean Theme Dress Down. Children can come to school in green or blue to support the Marine Conservation Society.

**Tuesday 17th May** - Vision Screening by Leeds Community Healthcare for children in FS2 (Reception) and Year 6 who missed the screening in March.

**Tuesday 17th May** - Coral class walk round Guiseley **Wednesday 18th May** - Amber class walk round Guiseley.

On the day of their walk, children need to wear school uniform as usual and with waterproof coat / sun hat as appropriate.

**Thursday 19th May** - Year 4 Skipping Event at Armley Leisure Centre

**Friday 20th May** - 9:05am Indigo Class Assembly. Parents and carers are welcome to come and watch the assembly. Please wait by the Year 2 entrance.

**Monday 23rd May** - Eco Warriors Litter Picking Trip to Ilkley

**Thursday 26th May** - Year 5 trip to Ripon. Please complete the form on ParentPay by Friday 20th May, to give permission for your child to attend the trip and make a voluntary contribution of £20.00

Friday 27th May - 9:05am Orange Class Assembly

**Friday 27th May** - Platinum Jubilee Celebration Day. Full details have been emailed home. Please can children come to school dressed in the fashion of their decade OR in red, white and blue. Queen hat's and crowns that have been made by the children can be worn to school. Parents and carers are invited to come and travel the decade looking at the displays of the children's work from 2:45pm

Friday 27th May - School closes for half term holiday

Ethos Topic for this half term is:

# GETTING ON AND FALLING OUT

All the classes will be talking about working well together, being a really good friend and how to solve problems with your friends.

#### Walk to School Week

Monday 16th to Friday 20th May 2022

Next week, please join us if you can by walking, cycling or scooting to school.

This year there will be a walking bus from Morrison's car park. If you usually come by car please support us in raising awareness of the benefits of walking to school by parking here and walking the rest of the journey. A few members of staff will join families each day to walk the short distance from Morrison's car park to school. The Manager has kindly asked that parents remove their cars by 10am if they are not shopping in the store. Parents/carers must walk with their children and not just drop them off. Please remember you are responsible for your child until they are in the school building. We will meet at 8:40am under the shelter near the pelican crossing.

Every day your child walks, scoots or cycles to school they will receive a ticket to put in their class pot. On Friday 20th a ticket will be drawn from each pot and the winner will receive a prize.



#### **Guiseley Wells Poem**

Below is the winning poem from the recent Wells Poetry Competition. Well done Arthur!

In our town there is a well

That warms our heart with its swell.

It runs through our forever time,

Through generations, like yours, and mine.

A penny tossed symbolises a child's dream,

Its secrets betrothed to this sacred stream.

As landscapes changed and populations grew,

The Wells stayed forever true.

To this day, it's the artery of the town,

Spreading its joy all around.

Arthur Wilkinson, aged 11

#### **Nursery September 2022**

If your child will be 2 or 3 years old by 31st August 2022 and would like place in our school nursery, please contact school as we are starting to offer places.