



Roseberry Primary School News

Friday 20th April 2018

Year 5 Trip—Yorvik Centre

On Wednesday, Year 5 visited the Jorvik Viking Centre in York to enrich their new topic. The children had the opportunity to explore three sites informing them about Vikings and their way of life. The children got to observe the oldest, fossilised, fully formed Viking poo (which the children obviously liked!). It was a lovely day - the children had a great time and learned lots in preparation for their topic work.

Year 1 Trip—Hardwick Park

Year 1 enjoyed a trip to Hardwick Park on Wednesday. The 'Step into Spring' workshop, led by Jane, allowed children to experience the very best that Hardwick Park has to offer. Jane's session required children to look for signs of spring, such as daffodils and new buds on the trees. Their investigation skills were challenged as the children had to identify a range of trees, from the magical Elder tree to the majestic Oak tree, also known as the king of the forest. Seeds were used to encourage some of the woodland birds to feast before our very eyes. They saw chaffinches, robins and some very lucky children even managed to catch a glimpse of a weasel that even Jane hadn't seen in almost four years! The children also enjoyed a lengthy walk around the park grounds and had a game of Pooh Sticks on Serpentine Bridge.





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Lord Lieutenant's Visit

Some time ago, we were invited to participate in work related to The Commonwealth and to find out about Belize (a country in South America). As a school, we decided to extend the work in order to find out more about the Commonwealth so each class chose a country to learn about.

On Thursday, we were incredibly proud to be asked to deliver an assembly for Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant of County Durham (Mrs Snowdon) to share what we have learned. The assembly opened with a flag ceremony - children entering the hall from different doorways waving the flags of the countries they had been researching. Led by Year 5, the children shared some interesting facts about their country before handing over to Year 5 who helped everyone learn about Belize including the symbolism on the flag.

After the children had shared their work, the Lord Lieutenant was invited to formally present our two recent awards: The Green Flag, an internationally recognised award for excellence in environmental action and learning, which we have maintained and been re-accredited. We will once again fly our Green Flag proudly.

The Rights Respecting Gold Award, recognising those schools who have demonstrated that children understand theirs and the rights of others within the community, school and wider world.

The Lord Lieutenant left us with a letter from Her Majesty the Queen reminding us about the value of teamwork and friendly rivalry.

A group of children will attend a celebration assembly in Durham Cathedral next week to present our work on our focus country of Belize.



Hockey

Children in Year 6, alongside children from fifteen other primary schools, participated in a hockey tournament held at Egglecliffe School on Wednesday. Overall, Roseberry were placed 4th after winning two matches, drawing one match and losing two matches. A special mention goes to Dylan C who was absolutely fantastic in goal. Well done to all children involved - you are always a credit to the school when competing.





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Key Stage 1 - Hans Christian Andersen Day

Children in Y1 and Y2 are invited to dress either as a character from one of Hans Christian Andersen's books or as a traditional character from a favourite story on Thursday 26th April.

Additionally, Family Time will be taking place on the following dates:

Year 1 - Monday 30th April 9:15 - 10am

Year 2 - Tuesday 1st May 9:15 - 10am

Year 5 Work with TFM

Just before the start of the half term Easter holiday, TFM Radio came into school to work with some Year 5 children to look at the issues surrounding 'sustainable transport' in our area. The work completed heavily linked to children's rights:

Article 17 - children to access information about the world from the radio, newspapers and other sources

Article 24 - children have the right to live in a clean and safe environment.

Children looked at different ways to encourage people to walk to school or work before making posters and writing jingles. They then recorded their jingles to form part of a Nation-wide campaign to promote walking to school and once complete, this will be aired on TFM radio at some point in May.

Due to the fact that our children were so enthusiastic and confident, we were offered a very special chance to record several adverts (currently airing on TFM) which all focus on saving energy in the home. At the moment, staff have heard Evie B and Bradley H advising people on how to save energy by turning down their freezer temperature and ensuring that the correct hob size is used when cooking. These adverts are part of the 'It's the Small Things' series and we would really like to hear from you if you are lucky enough to hear any other 'celebrities' from Year 5!

Questionnaires

Thank you to everyone who took the time to fill in our questionnaire. A summary copy of the results has been given to every child. A detailed analysis will be available on our website.

We very much value your opinion and views which help us with our continuing drive to be the very best school we can be. We were particularly pleased to find that the vast majority of you strongly agree that your child is happy, is making good progress, you know that school expects your child to work hard and that you would recommend us to another parent.

We were also very pleased that the efforts we have put in to developing communication are paying off so that you are kept up to date with the school diary.

We would, however, remind you that if you are not receiving information it is your responsibility to find out as school will not know that this.

The winners of the draw from the questionnaire are:

Lennon M, Lucas J, Alfie T, Ryan M, Kayah W



Our Rewards Page



Pupils of the Week:

Congratulations to our Pupils of the week who were presented with their certificates in assembly this morning.

Nursery am	Callum T	Nursery pm	Leo B
R1	Alexis-Amy W	R2	Lucas W
1R	Amelia D	1P	Ruben B
2R	Preston F	2P	Sophie S
3R	Gabriella M	3P	Emily L
4R	Jack D	4P	Isabelle C
5R	Jadyn W	5P	Alfie R
6R	Dylan C	6P	Millie F

Attendance

Congratulations to 2P and 3R who had the best attendance and won the cups this week.

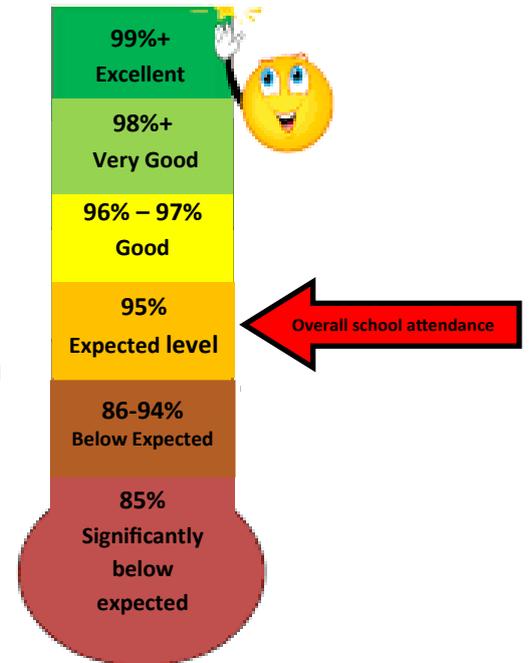
Overall school attendance for this week was 95.4%

Class	Attendance
R1	92.9
R2	94.6
1P	97.2
1R	92.8
2P	98.3
2R	97.1
3P	98.3
3R	100
4P	98.1
4R	99.2
5P	98.1
5R	96.9
6P	98.2
6R	98.3



Golden Tickets:

No tickets were awarded this week.



100% Attendance

331 children have had full attendance this week (87%)



Dates for your Diary



Date	Event
Monday 23rd April	Book Fayre opens (Mon/Tues KS1 hall, Weds/Thurs KS2 hall)
Thursday 26th April	Hans Christian Andersen Day Year 1 and 2 (dress as a character or as a favourite book character)
Monday 7th May	May Day—school closed
Week Commencing 14th May	Tests including SATs take place this week
Monday 21st May	Pride of Roseberry Assembly
Friday 25th May	Thandigudi Day—including non-uniform day
Friday 25th May	Last day of term
Monday 4th June	School reopens
Tuesday 12th June	KS1 Sports Afternoon (weather permitting)
Wednesday 13th June	KS2 Sports Afternoon (weather permitting)
Monday 18th June	Swimming starts for 3R
Friday 22nd June	Reception Assembly and family time
Monday 25th June	Sponsored Park Run (to be confirmed)

Right of the Fortnight

Date	Article	Right
23rd April	Article 15	Every child has the right to the best possible health care.
7th May	Article 7	Governments must protect children from their work that is dangerous or might harm their health, development or education.

Term Dates

Summer	Autumn 18	Spring 19
16/04/18 – 25/05/18	03/09/18—26/10/18	07/01/19—15/02/19
04/06/18 – 23/07/18	05/11/18—21/12/18	25/02/19—05/03/19

Training Days: Our confirmed training days will be on:

Monday 23rd July 2018

Monday 3rd September 2018

Friday 26th October 2018

Friday 21st December 2018 (TBC)

School will be closed for children on these days