



8th March Newsletter

Mr Lennon's new arrival—IT'S A BOY!

We are pleased to announce that Albert Lennon was born on Wednesday night, mum and baby are doing well. Please join us in sending Matt and Sarah huge congratulations and we are sure Rosemary will do a fabulous job as a big sister.



Our Learning

Class	This week we have....	Next week we will....
Rowan	<p>Thank you for everyone's efforts for World Book Day! Costumes were great, some super entries for the competitions and lots of Book Talk. The Reading Champions were brilliant at organising and encouraging - thank you!</p> <p>Also this week we have been completing 2023 SATs assessments which will give us a good idea of what else needs to be done over the next 6 weeks.</p>	<p>Next week we are embarking on our global unit about sustainability. We will be looking at regeneration and how to be self sufficient. We will also be looking at statistics and timetables in maths. In writing we will focus on instructions and explanations.</p>
Sycamore	<p>This week, Sycamore have worked really hard and shown lots of perseverance with their termly assessments. They should be really proud of how they have conducted themselves! In more exciting news, we have celebrated World Book Day with orienteering, newspaper report writing and art. We have started our new DT project by looking at what consists of a healthy diet and have looked at adding and subtracting fractions in maths.</p>	<p>Next week, we will be starting our new Global unit by looking at the book 'A long walk to water'. We will be exploring themes of sustainability and climate change within this. In PE, we will be continuing our cricket sessions with Owen. In science, we are starting our new unit on 'Animals Including Humans', looking at the gestation lengths of different animals. In DT, we will be making healthy sandwiches using Sudanese bread, inspired by our Global book.</p>
Maple	<p>This week we have been completing our termly assessments. Yesterday the children thoroughly enjoyed dressing up for World Book Day. They completed reading challenges including 'Guess the masked reader' and a book treasure hunt. In PE, the school have been developing their understanding of cricket skills. In RE the children learnt about the five pillars of Islam and their importance to the Islamic faith.</p>	<p>Next week is the start of our global curriculum fortnight. The children are looking forward to reading our class texts and completing a range of fun activities based on the conservation and how we can protect our environment and animals living within them. In Maths we will be continuing to develop our knowledge of fractions. In DT we will be planning our healthy sandwiches which we will be making during the final week of term.</p>
Silver Birch	<p>This week we had a whirlwind of book fun on Thursday, including a World book day trail, books search and much more. It was amazing to see the effort everyone had gone to with their costumes! We have completed tests this week in reading and maths and I'm proud of how hard the children have all worked to complete them. In PE we've joined in with tennis and tag rugby. In art we explored the classroom to make rubbings, then we chose our favourite to put onto our dip dyed material from last week.</p>	<p>Next week we will complete our non-Chronological reports on Cheetahs and begin our own writing on sharks! Any books or research that the children can do before then would be great for their writing. In maths we will finish fractions and our Global unit of work starts on Sustainable Development.</p>
Beech	<p>We had a wonderful time celebrating World Book Day and the children all looked amazing in their outfits. Thank you for all your support with this. We have had a busy week reviewing all our learning in English and Maths. In Science, Y2 investigated what materials are used to make different objects and Y1 explored floating and sinking.</p>	<p>Next week we are looking forward to our global curriculum week which focuses on sustainable development. We will be using the book Dougal's Deep-Sea Diary to find out about the environment and recycling. We are also looking forward to making our smoothies in DT.</p>
Oak	<p>This week, we have really enjoyed getting dressed up and taking part in lots of exciting World Book Day activities! We used the story 'flooded' to discuss why it is important to work as a team. We then placed signs around our school to encourage everyone to use teamwork. In our maths work this week, we have enjoyed exploring capacity and using different sized containers to estimate how many objects or cups of water an object can hold.</p>	<p>Next week, we will be moving onto the number 9 in our maths work and looking at how to add up to nine using more than 2 numbers. We will also be beginning our global unit by looking at the story Oliver's Vegetables. We will be talking about the vegetables that we are going to grow in school and learn what plants need to grow. We will also discuss the benefits of growing our own vegetables and discussing how this helps us be sustainable.</p>

This week's super star!



Well done **LEO WILSON**

Leo has grown into a great role model to others. He has a positive attitude to this work and is a kind friend. He should be proud of his effort.

WELL DONE LEO.



House Points for this week

Falcons	78
Harriers	66
Hawks	78
Eagles	60

School Lunches

Monday	Crunchy Topped Mac & Cheese, Veg & Garlic Bread Jam Doughnut Muffin
Tuesday	Sausage & Mash with Veg, Gravy and Homemade Bread Oatie Apple Crumble & Custard
Wednesday	Mince Beef & Dumplings with Roast Potatoes & Veg Chocolate Orange Mousse Pot & Melting Moment
Thursday	Chicken Korma & Rice with Veg & Naan Bread Cheese & Biscuit
Friday	Fish Fingers, Chips & Veg with Crusty Bread Iced Berry Bun.

Diary Dates

Event	Date and time	Event	Date and time
Red Nose Day	Fri 15th March	School Closes for the Easter Break	Fri 22nd March 24
Parent Consultations	Mon 18th March 3:30—6:30pm	Inset Day	Mon 8th April 24
Silver Birch visit to the Walled Garden	Tue 19th March	School Opens to Pupils	Tue 9th April 24
Parent Consultations	Wed 20th March 3:30—5:30pm	Chocolate Bingo	Thur 11th April time TBC
Non-Uniform for Chocolate Bingo	Fri 22nd March 24		

Library Visits

Next library visit is: Oak & Acorn Class 15th March 2024



Parent Consultation Meetings

Parent Consultation Meeting are for parents with children in year groups Nursesey —Year 5. There will be two dates available indicated below and each meeting will be 10 minutes:

- ♦ Monday 18th March —3:30—6:30pm
- ♦ Wednesday 20th March - 3:30—5:30pm

Year 6 Parent Consultation Meetings will take place on the dates below and will be 15 minutes. Year 6 pupils should also attend the consultation meeting with their parents.

- ♦ Monday 18th March —3:30—5:45pm
- ♦ Wednesday 20th March - 3:30—6:00pm

Bookings for Parent Consultations can be made on My Child At School - booking opens from Monday 4th March @ 4:00pm.

How to access MyChildAtSchool (MCAS)

Please use the following link and the details provided to register or login to the MCAS Portal.

<https://www.mychildatschool.com/MCAS/MCSParentLogin>

- Many of you will have already used MCAS so will already have logins
- For new parents please keep an eye out for your welcome email containing your invitation code to get started.
- The school ID is 11393
- We will also send an email containing full instructions—this will also tell you what to do if you have forgotten your login information.

Once you have signed in:

- Click on the Parents Evening tab on the left hand side of the screen
- Select the Parents Meeting date you prefer from the drop down menu
- Click on the box in the centre of the page, containing the class name and teacher
- Select the required time and click book
- All bookings need to be made 9:30pm on Friday 15th March

What an amazing World Book Day we had! Book swaps, quizzes, dressing up, competitions and lots of book talk. Thank you everyone - you all looked great!



Bounce

into Bank Holiday Monday

Duncombe Park FC, Duncombe Park Ladies FC and Duncombe Park Cricket Club
welcome you to join the fun on

Monday 1st April

Helmsley Sports Club

12pm—3pm

Various inflatables and an Easter treat for all children

Suitable for children aged 11 and under

£5 per child

Tickets available to buy from Tuesday 5th March at Ryeburn of Helmsley



Preloved Uniform—Message from FOHS

Thank you to everyone for your generosity which means that we have a supply of good second hand uniform, please let us know if you require any uniform and we will check our stocks, donations in payment to school is appreciated but not essential.

We will be at Parent Consultation Evenings on the 18th and 20th March with the uniform if you would like to have a look through what is available.

REMINDERS:

- ♦ **Year 5's East Barnby deposit payments and consent forms are due today. Numbers need to be finalised on Monday 11th March.**
- ♦ **We have a number of outstanding balances on ParentPay, please settle these immediately. Thank you.**

Comic Relief

Comic Relief is on Friday 15th March 2024. Instead of non-uniform day this year School Council would like to hold a 'Joke-a-Thon'. Please can you support your child in finding an appropriate joke to share with their class. The two funniest jokes will then be read out in assembly.

Biscuits

School Council will also be selling Red Nose Day Biscuits at break time 30p each to raise money for the charity.



Easter Egg

A fabulous chocolate Easter egg has been donated to school by the Ryedale Lions. The school council will be selling raffle tickets £1 for 5 tickets from Monday 11th March during break time. Don't miss out on the chance of winning this amazing Easter confectionary, you've got to be in it to win it.



NEWSDAY TUESDAY

This week during our Newsday Tuesday assembly we discussed...



Across the UK and Ireland, the charity, World Book Day, will be holding its annual celebration on Thursday 7th March. The day is a chance to celebrate and encourage reading in schools and homes. Children are more likely to enjoy reading when they have greater control over what they read and when there is an emphasis on fun, the charity believes. Many schools choose to recognise the day by encouraging children to dress up as their favourite book characters, bringing in their favourite books and holding other reading activities in school.

Things to talk about at home ...

- ◆ Does your school recognise World Book Day? What do you do? Do you enjoy the activities?
- ◆ What other ways do you think we can encourage people to read? Do you enjoy reading? Do you think it's important for people to read more?