

**Spring Term  
Friday 22nd  
June 2018**



**KETTLEWELL PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**Friday News**

## Message from Mrs Boxall and Mr Norris

As you already are aware, we had a fantastic day at Grassington last week when all our Year 2 children worked on sculpture projects with facilitators from Grassington Festival: we are really looking forward to seeing them on 'Countryfile' on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

The Governors and the Executive Co-Headteachers have been very occupied over the last few weeks, in balancing all the positive outcomes we have achieved through Federation, with changing circumstances and, as ever, financial challenges. We shared with you all, in person or by letter, this week, the strategic decision made around the vacancy created by Mrs Brayshaw's appointment to a school in Knaresborough and our subsequent plans to combine Class 1 at Burnsall with Class 1 at Cracoe, to be taught by Mrs Sandoe and Mrs McGee, as a job share, using both sites.

The details of this are still being put together by the Executive Headteachers, with input from staff and Governors, taking on board the comments and concerns we have received in parental responses and through consultation. It is our intention to keep you informed each step of the way and for you to be able to contribute to the process.

I must emphasise that this is a decision we have not taken lightly, and we have considered all our options extremely carefully. Although we acknowledge it is not perfect, it is the best viable option at the present time, as it allows us to meet some of our most significant educational and financial challenges whilst maintaining all four sites and keeping teaching posts at Burnsall and Cracoe secure.

Please be assured that these decisions have been taken with the upmost care, diligence and consideration to meet all our challenges in the interests of our children, and, as educators we look forward to what we consider to be exciting times ahead in unlocking all the potential of our Federation.

Mrs C Boxall and Mr C Norris (Executive Co-Headteachers) and

Mrs A Vetch (Chair of Governors)

## Message from Class Two

This week in Class 2 we have been moving forward with geometry in maths. The children went outside and found shapes to measure in 2D in order to calculate the perimeter. The Year 3 and 4 children measured a range of quadrilateral shapes in the playground in two different units of measurement (cm and m) and converted between them. The Years 5 and 6 learnt and employed the formulae for finding the circumference and area of a circle using pi successfully.

There have been three extracurricular trips this week in Class 2 : the Years 3 and 4 went to Ilkley Tennis Club on Monday, where they practised their tennis skills and received coaching to improve. Then they watched a game in the tournament taking place in the afternoon.

The Years 5 and 6 played in a rounders tournament against other local schools on Tuesday at UWS. They came fourth, but they enjoyed themselves and learnt lots about how to work more effectively as a team.

On Wednesday the whole school went to Grassington Town Hall to experience some of what the Grassington Festival has to offer this year. Class 2 watched a dance troupe perform various excerpts from their current show, and were able to take part in the dance routines themselves. The children all worked very hard and yet again proved what a credit they are to our school when out in the community, by their enthusiasm, engagement and behaviour.



## Message from School

On Wednesday this week our Forest School Building was erected. We are very pleased with it and would like to thank everyone for the support in making this happen.

We are very excited about using the building and having other schools come to Kettlewell to benefit from our wonderful facilities which have now certainly been enhanced by our new building.

Finally a massive thank you to Melanie Thornton and her team for raising the grand sum of £261.20 last weekend at the annual summer ball event. This is incredible and we are incredibly grateful for your hard work in organising the event.

## Diary Dates

- 26.6.18—Y3&4 Tag rugby at Wharfedale rugby club  
1-3pm
- 28.6.18— Y6 Transition Day to secondary schools  
- Y2 Become Y3 for the day
- 2.7.18—Class one athletics at UWS 1-2.45pm
- 3.7.18—Ermysteds Open evening for Y5 boys.  
Presentations at 6.30 pm and repeated at 7.30  
Accordion pupils exams 10.30 am
- 5.7.18—Skipton Girls Open evening for Y5 girls
- 6.7.18—Y5 & 6 Orienteering at UWS 1-2.45pm
- 11.7.18—Y6 Treat to Clip and Climb & Matrix Skipton
- 13.7.18—SPORTS DAY—from 2pm
- 19.7.18—School breaks up for summer

**This weeks  
Star Awards**

**Congratulations go to:**

**All Class One**

**Jake White**

**Kye Hutchings**

## Message from Class One

What an exciting week it has been in Class One! It all started last Friday when the Year Two children went on their cluster woodland day. They got to den build, make bow and arrows, complete art activities and toast what I'm sure were the world's biggest marshmallows!

This was followed by all the class going to Tropical World in Leeds with Burnsall School. We went in the Packhorse bus all the way to Leeds. We saw lots of different animals. Some of our favourites were the meerkats, tortoises and the stingrays. Harry thought it was very funny when we saw the bats and Mrs Newey was scared!



And if that wasn't enough, we met up with Burnsall again at Cracoe School on Thursday to meet lots of different animals with 'Zoolab'. The children got to hold a snake, a giant millipede, a giant snail, a rat and a tarantula!!!!

