



# TRACTOR TIMES

**Summer Term  
Friday 13 July  
2018**

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Dear Parents/Carers

It has been very enjoyable seeing and hearing about the sports days, music and drama events that have been (and are) taking place in all 4 schools during the final weeks of the term. The children (and staff) have worked so hard in preparing all of these activities - we hope you enjoyed them as spectators or members of the audience.

Thank you to everyone who completed the recent survey/questionnaire about Wraparound Care across the Federation. Your responses have been very helpful in our work to be able to give you the best possible before- and after-school provision.

We have analysed your responses and they have confirmed, as we expected, that there is a need for further Wraparound Care to be developed as soon as is practicably possible across the Federation.

In September, our existing provision (e.g. Breakfast Clubs, Woosh Club, Sports Clubs) will continue as at present. We are also considering all the options for new additional provision, and we expect to give you news about these as early as possible in the Autumn Term. In the short time available, however, it is unlikely that we will be able to put anything new in place for the start of term in September. Work, planning and discussions are ongoing, and we hope to be able to communicate progress with you early in the new academic year.

And finally ... as we look forward to next week and the different leavers' events that will be happening, we would like to wish our Year 6 children a very happy final week of primary school. You have been a real credit to each of your schools in the time you have been there. Thank you for all you have contributed in that time!

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

**All After School Clubs have now finished for this school year.**  
**This week activities:-**

Monday 16 July	2pm and 6pm School Summer Concert - Grassington Town Hall
Thursday 19 July	2 pm Whole School Service for Year 6 Leavers at St Michael & All Angels Church <b>(no KS2 PE/Swimming)</b>
Friday 20 July	9.00 am Praise Assembly
Friday 20 July	3.10pm Guard of Honour for Leavers (playground) 3.30 pm School Breaks Up for the Summer Holidays
Tuesday 4 September	Back to school!

## **Additional Notes**

### **Monday 16 July Summer Concert Arrangements**

There are two performances in Grassington Town Hall at 2.00pm and 6.00pm.

Tickets are available from the school office on Monday morning or on the door at the Town Hall and cost £2 each.

There will be room to accommodate siblings and other family members/friends in the Town Hall at each performance. All welcome.

We will be walking to the Town Hall for the afternoon performance. Consent is covered under the 'Annual Rolling Consent for Local Visits' completed at the start of the school year. We would be very grateful for help to walk up to the Town Hall with the children, setting off from school at 1.15pm.

**Afternoon Performance :** Parents will be able to take children home after the afternoon performance. Any children who are not collected will be walked back to school where they can be collected at 3.30pm, as usual.

**Evening Performance:** All the children need to be at the Town Hall at 5.45pm to get ready. Please make arrangements for your child to be collected at about 7.00 pm, if you are not going to be at the performance.

## **Growing Healthy: Flu Vaccination Programme**

All children who will be in Reception to Year 5 next school year are bringing home a letter today from the Harrogate & District NHS Trust. They are requesting parents to complete an online consent form for your child to receive their flu vaccine in the Autumn Term 2018/19. The consent must be completed by the end of the summer break if you wish your child to be vaccinated in school. A copy of the letter is also being included with this week's Tractor Times

## **County Music Service**

The County Music Service provides tuition in a wide variety of instruments ranging from trombone and euphonium to classical and electric guitars and flute, clarinet and saxophone. Most lessons take place during the school day, although some are after school. If you would like to know more, or to register your interest, please go to [www.northyorkshitemusic.co.uk](http://www.northyorkshitemusic.co.uk)

## **News from the Classrooms**

### **Class 1**

We have had another busy week. On Monday the children had a dress rehearsal for '*A Midsummer's Night Dream*'. Thank you all for the wonderful costumes, the children look amazing.

In Literacy, we have been asking questions about the whale in '*The Snail and the Whale*'. With a partner the children have written a range of question, remembering to ask an open question to find out more information. We have used these questions to focus our research. We have discovered how heavy and how long humpback whales are. We measured the length of a whale on the playground and the children were astonished by its length. We also found out how whales create bubbles to catch fish and how a whale shuts down half of its brain so the other keeps reminding the whale to breath while it's asleep.

In Maths, Year 1 have been learning about left and right, as well as giving instructions on a grid to find different objects on a map. They enjoyed a game of Twister, recalling left and right confidently. Reception children have been looking carefully at a street of houses, discussing similarities and differences. With a partner they have sorted the houses finding those which have similar attributes. The children have also been doubling 1, 2 and 4, as well as halving the numbers. We have collected the library books in time for the summer holiday and Year 1's homework books. If anyone has a library or homework book still at home, please return them to school as soon as possible.

Hope you have a great weekend,  
from Mrs Tulley, Mrs Buckley and Mrs Middleton

## **Class 2**

This week we have been very busy rehearsing for the end of year show '*A Midsummer Night's Dream*'. All the children have worked really hard and you are in for a treat! Thank you for sending in your child's costume; they are going to look fantastic!

In Maths, we've finished looking at fractions and are now moving on to end of term revision. So far we've done column addition and subtraction (focusing on lining the columns up correctly) and we've started to look at multiplication and division.

In Literacy we've finished our information leaflets linked to our river topic and created fact files about Ancient Greek Gods.

At the end of this week, we are going to start collecting home / school reading books in. This means that your child will not bring a new reading book home. We will keep all the reading records safely in school for next year. If you have any other school reading books at home, please make sure they come back too.

A special request– next week we're going to make jewellery. We need as many of these items as possible:

- **Magazines (with shiny coloured paper – like Aspire magazine)**
- **Unwanted buttons (any colour, shape, size)**
- **Unwanted beads (any)**
- **Silver foil, or any other coloured foil (e.g. Quality Street wrappers)**

Many thanks in advance!

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Petteval, Mrs Naisbitt and Mr Willis

### **Class 3**

This week we have been rehearsing for '*A Midsummer Night's Dream*' at the Town Hall and in school. The children have learned their lines and directions – superbly.

On Tuesday, Class 3 went to The Green at Linton and did some activities such as a scavenger hunt and painting pebbles. Unfortunately, we couldn't do the river study because of the lack of rain. They also had a great game of hide and seek and rounders. Year 6 stayed in Linton for the afternoon at Mrs Fattorini's house, where they were well fed with fruit and a chocolate fountain.

Year 6 have also been collecting their memories and looked through their old photos from when they were in Class 1 and 2. Where does the time go?

Year 5 have been preparing for the leavers service next Thursday afternoon. They have also been revising multiplications and how to do the formal written method.

### **HOMEWORK**

**Don't forget to make sure you know your lines and when your bit is on stage. We have the 'real thing' at the Town Hall on Monday.**

**Year 5 and 6 - Please read at least 5 times in the week and do your Maths Mission.**

Have a lovely weekend together,  
Mrs Harrison