



TRACTOR TIMES

Summer Term
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2018

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Dear Parents/Carers

The lovely weather we have been having has certainly lifted everyone's spirits, especially the children's, who are really enjoying outdoor play in the sunshine. Thank you to parents for ensuring sunhats and sun cream are sent in with their child/children.

Well done to all our Year 6 children, who have all worked to the best of their ability during SATs week; for many of them the early breakfasts in school has been the highlight. They are now eagerly looking forward to the cluster residential visit to Cober Hill, Scarborough, next week. Staff from the schools are accompanying the children and arrangements are in place to cover classes in their absence.

Mrs. Steeples, from Grassington, is on Maternity Leave after half-term and we welcome Mrs. Kirsten Petteval to the school, in her new role as Class 2 teacher.

Thank you for your continued support in all of the schools.

Mrs C Boxall and Mr C Norris
Executive Co-Headteachers

Diary Dates

Please find below dates for activities this half-term. Please make sure you check the list regularly each week on the Tractor Times.

We will send more details of specific events to the appropriate Year Groups during the course of the term.

Regular Activities and Events

Every Friday	3.00pm Praise Assembly – All welcome
Every Monday	3.30-4.30 pm Federation Choir. KS2 Children only
Sports Club	NO SPORTS CLUB THIS WEDNESDAY, 23 MAY
Kanga Sports Ultimate Frisbee	Last Session 3.30-4.30pm Tuesday 22/5

Other Events and Activities

Sunday 20 May	PTA Red Tractor Run
Tuesday 22 to Friday 25 May	Y6 Cluster Residential to Cober Hill
Friday 25 May	Break up for half-term
Monday 4 June	Back to School

Class 2 Teaching Arrangements

Mrs Steeples will not be in again next week and instead we are delighted that Mrs Sue Taylor will be in every morning, and some afternoons, next week. The Year 4 children will be working with the Year 5 children from Tuesday to Friday next week.

Parent/Teacher Meetings

Class 1 & Class 3 – Tuesday 5 June and Wednesday 6 June

These meetings enable you to find out how your child is progressing with their learning and discuss any queries or concerns that you may have with your child's class teacher. Please either add your name to the lists on the A-Board as soon as possible, or alternatively contact Mrs Hardaker in the school office to make an appointment.

Class 2's Parent/Teacher Meetings will be held a little later in the term when Mrs Pettavel has had an opportunity to get to know the children.

PTA Red Tractor Run 2018

This year's **PTA Red Tractor Run** will take place this Sunday, 20th May 2018, starting at 10:30 am, with Registration in the school hall from 8:30 am.

You can book online at www.bookitzone.com or by email to walms2002@yahoo.co.uk or on the day. The cost of entry is £12 for Adults and £3 for children.

News from Class 1

This week we have focused on the Royal Wedding. We have discussed how a Royal Wedding is planned, as well as learning about famous Royal Weddings. The children have designed and written their own invitations for the Royal Wedding. As part of the celebrations the children have designed a wedding cake, or used recycled materials to create a cake which they painted and decorated. We have also created our own menu for the Royal Wedding Reception; the children choose lots of different food, ranging from pizza to pork ribs and chocolate cake to pancakes and syrup. This afternoon we celebrated with our own party, wearing our specially created hats and enjoying sandwiches and cakes in the garden.

Children in Year 1 have been investigating repeated addition and arrays, looking at columns and rows as groups in an array. For example, an egg box is an array, as is a large bar of chocolate.

Reception have been focusing on finding 1 or 2 more or less in groups of objects. They have also been practising their letter formation. If practicing letter formation at home, please check the mnemonic in your child's sound book for the correct formation.

This week's spellings for Year 1 concentrate on words with the sound /igh/ spelt 'igh' or 'y'

Hope you all have a lovely weekend together,
Mrs Tulley, Mrs Middleton and Mrs Buckley



News from Class 3

In Literacy Year 5 have written some amazing bluebell poems. They are on display in the corridor for you to read. I've been impressed by the high level of ambitious vocabulary. They've enjoyed writing a draft, editing, writing up in neat and then performing their poems in front of Class 2. We have filmed their performances too.

In Maths we have been working on statistics, graphs and reading information from them. They have used their skills to collate and present the data they have been collecting from the patch of meadow we are looking after. The wildflower meadow is developing by the day and will be in full bloom by the time it is needed for Grassington Festival.

In Science we found out about deforestation and the effect it has on our environment across the world. We found out the difference between managed forests and natural rainforest and the importance of each type of land and environment.

Year 6 have been on a River Study day at Oughtershaw, enjoying finding out about their local environment. Next week, Year 6 will be on their residential and I shall be accompanying them. Mrs Steele and Mrs Maclean will be teaching Year 4 and 5 in Class 3.

HOMEWORK

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

Have a lovely weekend together,
Mrs Harrison

News from Class 2

Written by Class 2

This week Class 2 have been writing different kinds of poems. We have written poems about emotions and we have also learned how to write Haiku poems about Spring.

In Maths we have been using mirrors to make symmetrical patterns.

We have also been learning about different ways of presenting data in tally charts, pictograms and bar charts.

Have a lovely weekend together,
Mrs Taylor, Mrs Naisbitt and Mrs Buckley