

Reeth Community and Gunnerside Methodist Primary Schools



“COMMUNIQUE”

25th September 2020

No. 2 Autumn Term

COMMUNITY PROJECT – THE STORY OF SCHOOLS IN THE UPPER DALES

The Dales Countryside Museum and The Nash in Hawes are making a giant community photo mosaic celebrating youth and schools in the Upper Dales! A copy of the poster with full details about the project is being sent home with this newsletter. Pupils in school are taking part in the project, and the project organisers are inviting families to take part too:

Do you live in the Upper Dales? Did you go to school here? The project organisers would love to see your pictures about what youth in the Dales means to you. Photos can be vintage or modern, and feature landscape and buildings as well as people. They need thousands of images, so the more the merrier, with a good chance that they'll all be used! You can upload your pictures at:

THE STORY OF SCHOOLS IN THE UPPER DALES



<https://thepeoplespicture.com/storyofschools/>



SPORTS AWARD



We're pleased to let you know that we have won a North Yorkshire Sport Premium Award!

All schools benefit from additional funding for sport. As you know, we try to make the most of opportunities for outdoor education in our local area. We made an application based on this work and particularly that to support our Y6 cohort in the summer term this year. We have won the regional award for *Innovation* and have been put forward to compete against other schools in the final.

We look forward to hearing from former Olympian, James Kirton, on 13th October 2020 when the winning school will be announced.

HARVEST CELEBRATIONS

Next week, each class will take part in an active outdoor harvest celebration. Rachel Pinkney, Methodist Schools and Families Worker, will be leading the activities that will involve practical work, opportunity for reflection, thanksgiving and prayer. We look forward to sharing photos of the day with you on the school blog.

CLASSROOM REFURBISHMENT



Our new Year 5 & 6 classroom at Gunnerside School is working really well. It offers much more space, natural light, and display boards for resources and children's work.

We look forward to welcoming you to school as soon as possible, but in the meantime, thought that you may like to see a photograph of the new teaching space.

KS2 PLAYTIMES AND WELLIES

We are hoping to use the school field at Gunnerside for breaktime and lunchtime play sessions for as long as possible through autumn. If you would like to send your child in with wellies, it will enable them to use this space more often, and on days when trainers would not be suitable.

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

As current guidance around Covid-19 control measures means that we are unable to hold parents' evenings in school this term, class teachers will be contacting you by telephone over the next few weeks to discuss your child's progress, achievements and learning priorities. These consultations will be available on the following dates and times:

Class	Date	Times
Early Years – Nursery and Reception	Wednesday 14 th October	1pm to 6pm
	Thursday 15 th October	4pm to 6pm
KS1 – Year 1 and Year 2	Tuesday 13 th October	1pm to 6pm
	Wednesday 14 th October	4pm to 6pm
KS2 – Year 3 and Year 4	Wednesday 14 th October	4pm to 6pm
	Wednesday 21 st October	1pm to 4pm
KS2 – Year 5 and Year 6	Thursday 15 th October	1pm to 6pm
	Monday 19 th October	4pm to 6pm

Please e-mail the school office (admin@rg-schools.org.uk) by Friday 2nd October to let us let us know the time and date that would suit you best. If you are able to provide a couple of times, that would be helpful. We will allocate appointments and will provide an approximate time for your consultation, week beginning Monday 5th October.

CONTACTING SCHOOL

If there is any aspect of school life that you would like more information about or wish to discuss, please do not hesitate to contact school. We'll do all we can to help.

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