



**GOOD BEHAVIOUR CERTIFICATES**

Congratulations go to pupils who have achieved good behaviour certificates in recent weeks:

**Bronze**

Ben Guy  
Morgan Price  
Rhys Price  
Jamie Meffen  
Arlo Johnson  
Luke Williams  
James Dawes  
Sophia Guy  
Chloe Calvert  
Coleby Teague  
Freddie Lundberg  
Jessica Dawes  
Alex Shepherd  
Oscar Kendall  
Poppy Atkinson  
Brooke Longden  
Ruby Hird

**Silver**

Amber Williams  
Thomas Wilkinson  
Barney Lewis  
Jessica Rukin  
Fern Stainsby  
Charlie Tranter  
Harry Busby  
Hazel Tranter  
Eden Frankland  
Ellie Hughes  
Alice Bowe

**Gold**

Poppy Atkinson  
Jake Frankland  
Libby Jackson  
Monty Rowland-Hill  
William Bowe  
Violet Livingstone-Owen  
Milly Gale  
Cody Ackroyd  
Mathilda Townend  
Eva Tweddle  
Isabel Bainbridge  
Harry Hammond



**YORKSHIRE DALES MOORLAND GROUP VISIT**

A few weeks ago, as part of their study of national parks, Y5/6 pupils enjoyed an afternoon working with gamekeepers from the Yorkshire Dales Moorland Group. They learned about the management of the heather moorland and made lots of links with their scientific learning:

‘It was very useful. We learned about the different birds and the predators of the grouse.’

‘I learned why the heather is burned. It makes it easier for the grouse to feed.’

‘It was really interesting to learn about the views and opinions of the gamekeepers.’

To find out more about the work of the group, please visit their website:

<https://yorkshiredalesmoorlandgroup.com>



**DANCE MORNING**

Y3/4 pupils really enjoyed a morning of dance, working with schools in the Wensleydale area. They learned the haka and also explored street dance. The class did brilliantly, so much so that they won an award for their excellent attitude, approach and effort. They were also praised in an email from the event organiser. Well done everyone!

‘It was really fun. I learned how to do the haka and made new friends.’

‘I liked watching the other groups doing the dance.’

‘I met up with a friend that I made at a sports event last year.’

‘When we won, I felt double good!’



## READING & WORLD BOOK DAY

World Book Day, Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019, celebrates the joy and value of books and reading, especially for children. To encourage pupils on their reading journey, every child receives a £1 World Book Day Book Token that can either be exchanged for one of ten special £1 World Book Day books or used to get £1 off any book costing £2.99 or more. The tokens are being sent home with this newsletter. You can find out more about the books at <https://www.worldbookday.com/books/>.

Here at school we are celebrating books and reading by inviting all pupils to come in dressed up as a character from their favourite book. They may also bring in their favourite book to share. Story based activities will take place during the day and pupils will enjoy hot chocolate and biscuits!

During the same week our KS1 pupils are visiting Hudson House Community Library. The volunteer librarians there are keen for families to use the library and have provided us with some information to share with you:

### Keep youngsters reading

At Reeth library in Hudson House, we're really keen for everyone to share our love of reading. That's why we'd like to develop closer links between the school and the library. One of the ways we are planning to do this is by having one of our volunteers read in assembly from time to time. Another idea is for small groups of children to come from school to the library. We have lots of children's books suitable for all ages, from board books and picture books to ones for older readers and young adults, fiction and non-fiction.

We are also exploring the possibility of running the Summer Reading Challenge (SRC) at Reeth library again this year. This is a national initiative which runs through the summer holidays and is designed to encourage children to keep reading during the weeks when they are not in school. Research shows that their reading age can fall over the holiday period.

We need to be sure we can staff the library with volunteers on certain days so children can swap their books and get their "rewards" in the form of sticker, badges, bookmarks etc., all linked to this year's theme of the "Space Race". This is where we need your help – please can you let me know if we run the SRC at Reeth library:

- would you encourage your child(ren) to take part?
- what would be the best days for your child(ren) to come to Reeth library?
- would you prefer to take part in SRC through one of the other libraries?

Hudson House is open seven days a week, and everyone can change their books any time the library is open (normally 10 am to 3.30pm, but from September to March weekend opening is 10.30 to 1.30). For the SRC we're thinking of having a volunteer in the library on a weekday morning, a weekday afternoon and Saturday morning.

Just email me - [elizabeth@bedfords.me.uk](mailto:elizabeth@bedfords.me.uk) – with your thoughts.

Many thanks, Elizabeth Bedford

## SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Still on the subject of books and reading, thank you for supporting our book fair that was held at our parents' evenings in January. This year the book fair was offered to us on a 100% reward basis, and through the purchases made by families our school libraries received £300 worth of books.

## HALF-TERM OPPORTUNITIES

**Football:** On Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February the 2Dales Junior Football Club at Reeth is holding a fun filled day of football ranging from activities, fitness and technical sessions to tournament. The day will be led by a Football Association Level 2 football coach. The cost is £20 for the day, 9am until 3.30pm. Children will require a packed lunch and a drink. For more information contact Peter Wheeler at [palsfootball2019@gmail.com](mailto:palsfootball2019@gmail.com).

**Tree planting:** On Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February and Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March the Yorkshire Dales National Park is inviting pupils aged 11 and over to join them for tree planting and/or conservation work in Bishopdale and Thornton Rust. Parents are also welcome. For more information contact Rachael Addison, Young Rangers Officer, 01969 652366, [rachael.addison@yorkshiredales.org.uk](mailto:rachael.addison@yorkshiredales.org.uk)

## CYCLING FOR ALL

Supported by the Big Lottery Fund, Stage 1 Cycles from Hawes is offering the following cycling tuition sessions for all abilities:

- Wednesdays from 1<sup>st</sup> May to 12<sup>th</sup> June 2019 - a block of 6 sessions.  
4.15pm until 5.15pm at Richmond School.

The cost is £20 for the 6 week block of sessions. Places are limited. The closing date for bookings is 8<sup>th</sup> March 2019. For more information, or to book, contact Helen Pollard: [ride@stage1cycles.co.uk](mailto:ride@stage1cycles.co.uk) or 01969 666873, or Steffy Cappleman at Richmond School ([yes@richmondschool.net](mailto:yes@richmondschool.net)).

## SMARTIES PILATES

Another project being run in conjunction with the Big Lottery Fund is a 6-week block of movement and exercise sessions for any primary aged pupils of any ability. These are being led by Primary Physical Education Specialist and Fitness and Pilates Instructor Anne Thorogood. These sessions are limited to 12 participants and will provide opportunity to participate in fun exercise designed to improve strength, flexibility, mobility, balance and co-ordination along with teaching breathing patterns and relaxation techniques.

- Mondays 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup> April; 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> May; 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2019.  
4.15pm until 5.15pm at Richmond School.

The cost is £20 for the 6 week block of sessions. To book your place visit: [www.yesatrichmondschool.net/training-events](http://www.yesatrichmondschool.net/training-events), or e-mail [yes@richmondschool.net](mailto:yes@richmondschool.net). The closing date for bookings is 18<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

We are pleased to continue to offer a range of after school activity clubs next half term. Pupils are welcome to sign up for as many of these as they wish. With the exception of Gymnastics, which starts on the first week back, all sessions start on the second week back (week commencing 11<sup>th</sup> March). A 4:30pm finish time applies to all sessions.

Please use the attached reply slip to let us know which clubs your child would like to attend. Clubs for the second half of the spring term, all based at Reeth, will be:

Day	Club
Tuesday	Homework Club with Mrs Walker for Y1 to Y6
	Drama with Miss Bell for Y2 to Y6
Thursday	Board Games with Mrs Atkinson for Y1 to Y6
	Eco-craft with Miss Southward for Y1 to Y6
Friday	Gymnastics with Mr Windwood for Y1 to 6 Parents of pupils with a place in this club for this half-term have already been contacted by text and we have noted collection arrangements. Please contact the school office if you have any queries.

With best wishes for an enjoyable half term break.

*G. Stainsby*

Gordon Stainsby  
Headteacher

## DATES for your diary

### Feb

Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> School closes for half-term

### Mar

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> School re-opens

Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Swimming lessons start for 6 weeks for all Year 1 and 2 pupils (details already sent home).



Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Ash Wednesday Service with Rev Janet at Gunnerside Methodist Chapel for KS2 and all Gunnerside enrolled pupils, 9:30am.

Wed 6<sup>th</sup> KS1 visiting Hudson House Community Library in Reeth

Thur 7<sup>th</sup> World Book Day

Thur 7<sup>th</sup> Elizabeth Gregson from the Old Temperance Book Shop leading assembly at Gunnerside.

Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Y5/6 cluster hockey event for 2 teams (am) at The Wensleydale School (details have been sent home today)

Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Swimming lessons start for 6 weeks for most KS2 pupils (details already sent home)

Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Rachel Pinkney, Families Worker for the Methodist Church, delivering assemblies at both schools

Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> KS2 cluster tag rugby event (am) at WFRU for 2 teams (details will be sent home)

#### **Apr**

Fri 5<sup>th</sup> KS2 cluster tennis at The Wensleydale School (details will be sent home)

Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> Easter Service at Gunnerside Methodist Church – 2pm – parents and extended family members are welcome to join us

Fri 12<sup>th</sup> School closes for Easter

Mon 29<sup>th</sup> Staff training day

Tues 30<sup>th</sup> School re-opens for the summer term

Additional dates may be included on future communiqués, as the term progresses.

#### **Reminder - dates for summer 2019 Statutory Tests**

Each year the Department for Education set dates for statutory testing and all pupils in certain year groups must be in school to complete these on specific dates. Please find these dates outlined below:

Year group	Test	Dates/Details
Year 6	KS2 tests	Test dates are 13 <sup>th</sup> , 14 <sup>th</sup> , 15 <sup>th</sup> and 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2019
Year 2	KS1 tests	May 2019
Year 1 / 2	Phonics test	Pupils will be tested between 10 <sup>th</sup> and 14 <sup>th</sup> June 2019

**DON'T FORGET!**.....you can support our school (through Friends of the School) by shopping on-line via:  
[www.easyfundraising.org.uk/reethandgunnerside](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/reethandgunnerside) and/or using the internet search engine of [www.reethandgunnerside.easysearch.org.uk](http://www.reethandgunnerside.easysearch.org.uk). It costs you nothing but raises funds for Friends and makes a huge difference to helping with the cost of activities and resources in the schools. Thank you for your support.



**Reeth and Gunnerside Schools – Reply Slip**  
**AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITY CLUBS – SPRING TERM 2019**

Name of child(ren) \_\_\_\_\_

I would like my child to take part in the following after school clubs during the **second half** of the autumn term (please circle):

Places for Gymnastics have already been allocated.

<b>Day</b>	<b>Clubs at Reeth</b>	<b>Collection arrangements</b>
Tuesday	Homework Club – Y1 to Y6	
	Drama – Y2 to Y6	
Thursday	Board Games - Y1 to Y6	
	Eco-craft – Y1 to Y6	
Friday - Places for Gymnastics club have already been allocated and parents have been notified. Please contact the school office if you have any queries.		

Signature of Parent \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_