

Reeth Community and Gunnerside Methodist Primary Schools



“COMMUNIQUE”

28th May 2021 No 3. Summer Term

CELEBRATING PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to the following pupils who have achieved their bronze good behaviour certificates in recent weeks:

Abigail Sunter, Charlotte Whitehead, Leo Atkinson-Iesini, Josh Coates, Keane Patrick, Cataleah Bovis, Lenny Haigh, Orla Stainsby, Harper Asher, Amelia Hill, James Calvert, Jamie Meffen, Robbie Wearmouth, Rhys Price, Morgan Price, Charlotte Francis, Ryan Reynoldson, William Dawes, Daniel Pearson, Ben Guy, Eden Frankland, Eva Tweddle, Amber Williams, Amelia Atkinson, Toby Kettlewell, Olivia Lea, Violet-Livingstone Owen, Monty Rowland-Hill, William Bowe, Anna Davy and Oscar Kendall.

And congratulations to Luke Williams who has achieved his silver good behaviour certificate! Keep up the good work everyone!



READING



We are delighted that many children have been taking part in the reading tree challenge to read four times a week. We have seen an increasing number of children taking part each week - well done to everyone!

We are continuing with the challenge next half term, so do keep up the good work. A new grid for recording your child's reading has been included at the back of their home school purple book. The new grid starts on the last Saturday of the half-term break. Please record any reading completed prior

during half-term by making a separate note in their purple book.

ROAD SAFETY



The main road directly outside Reeth School can be particularly busy at times, and the need to manage pupils' safety at school arrival and departure times is a priority for us all.

This week, to help provide a visual message to drivers passing Reeth School, the school has provided pupils with a hi-visibility waistcoat. Although our older pupils have a good knowledge of road safety, they are keen to support this project by wearing their jackets to help increase the visibility of pupils and to set an example to younger pupils.

We encourage pupils to use the waistcoats, although it is not compulsory and the final decision is with you as a family. If your child travels to school via minibus but would still like to wear a waistcoat, please contact school and we will be happy to provide them with one.

LOGO FOR RICHMONDSHIRE CLIMATE CHANGE PARTNERSHIP

Thank you and well done to all pupils that created a logo for the Climate Change Partnership. The group was really impressed by the entries and we are pleased to let you know that one of these has been selected as the winner. Congratulations to Violet Livingstone-Owen, whose design reflects the importance of acting swiftly and working together to make a difference.

There will be a further opportunity for pupils to design a logo for a local community group next half term. Full details will be shared with pupils when we return to school.

FREE FAMILY SWIMMING

Now that the national restrictions around Covid-19 have been eased slightly, it is possible to use our family swim cards again at either Richmond Pool or Catterick Pool. The pools are currently operating a little differently due to some additional control measures, and **at both pools, you need to make a booking in advance.**

At Catterick, you can book the learner pool for the sole use of your family, or the shallow end of the main pool (on Saturdays or Sundays). Bookings can be made 5 days in advance. The pool can be contacted by phone on 01748 831030.

At Richmond, you can book a time for your swim, either by phone (014748 824581) or through the web-site, based on sessions available from the weekly timetables at <https://richmond-swimming-pool.rltrust.org.uk/>. Sessions can be booked one week in advance from the prior Saturday.

Please explain that your child is a pupil at Reeth and Gunnerside Schools when making the booking. You will need to show your card when you arrive. The full cost of the swim, including adults and siblings not on roll at our schools, will be paid for by school.

FESTIVAL FLAGS



The Swaledale Festival has organised a free weekend of family fun on Reeth Green, from Saturday 29th May to Monday 31st May. There will be an exciting variety of outdoor workshops and activities running over the three days.

Pupils have been busy creating bunting to decorate the green in celebration of the community, the local area and the festival. Heather Hodgson, the Marketing Co-ordinator for the festival, has thanked pupils for their 'truly wonderful' work.

STAFFING FOR SEPTEMBER 2021

We are pleased to let you know that following a successful recruitment process, we have appointed Tom Fremlin as classteacher and look forward to him joining our team from September. We can also now confirm that Abby Codman will continue to work with us in the year ahead. Full details about class arrangements for the year ahead will be sent out as soon as possible next half term.

REPORTING A POSITIVE COVID-19 CASE

We hope that everyone remains well over the holidays. Schools have been asked to assist with the NHS track and trace system during the start of the school holiday period. In line with the guidance that schools have received:

- Where a pupil tests positive for coronavirus, having developed symptoms **more than 48 hours** since being in school, the school should **not** be contacted. Parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.
- Up to 6 days after the end of term (up to and including Thursday 3rd June), if a pupil tests positive for coronavirus, having developed symptoms **within 48 hours** of being in school, please contact the school office by email - admin@rg-schools.org.uk - so that the school can assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school. The e-mail address will be checked daily, for this purpose only, until Thursday 3rd June.

SUN PROTECTION



We are slowly starting to see some sunnier weather and we are keen for pupils to enjoy the outdoors as often as possible. We do of course need to be mindful of sunburn and associated risks to health. **Please send your child with a hat and always apply sunscreen before coming to school during the summer term.** As the weather is sometimes rather unpredictable, you may wish to send in a suitable sunscreen (clearly labelled with your child's name) to apply during the day either themselves, if they are able to do so, or by an adult if they are a younger pupil. **Please complete the reply slip with regard to these arrangements.**

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS – SECOND HALF OF SUMMER TERM 2021

We are pleased to continue to offer a range of after school activity clubs next term. Pupils are welcome to sign up for as many of these as they wish. With the exception of Archery, all sessions start on the first week back (week commencing 7th June) and will run until Friday 16th July.

Please email or telephone the school office by Monday 7th June to let us know which clubs your child(ren) would like to attend. As you know, places for the Year 5/6 mountain biking club have already been allocated.

Clubs for the second half of the summer term will be:

Day	School	Staff / Provider	Year Groups	Club	Finish time
Monday	Reeth	Mrs Seymour	Year Rec, 1 & 2	Modern dance	16:30
Tuesday	Reeth	Mrs Atkinson	Year 1 & 2	Summer team games	16:30
Thursday	Reeth	Alfresco Adventures	Year 3, 4 ,5 & 6	Archery There are 5 sessions available: 10 th June 17 th June 24 th June 8 th July 15 th July	16:45
Friday	Reeth	Mike Layfield Sports and Fitness	Year 3, 4, 5 & 6	Multi sports	16:45
Friday	Gunnerside	Mr Stainsby & Mr Windwood	Year 5 & 6	Mountain biking Please note that there is no session on Friday 2 nd July due to the outdoor education week.	17:30

With best wishes for the half-term break,

G. Stainsby

Gordon Stainsby
Headteacher

DATES for your diary

May

Fri 28th

School closes for half-term



June

Mon 7th

Mon 7th

Fri 18th

Mon 28th to Fri 2nd July

School re-opens

Day 1 of outdoor activities at Marrick Priory for KS1

Day 2 of outdoor activities at Marrick Priory for KS1

Outdoor education week for Year 5/6 pupils

July

Mon 5th

Thur 8th and Fri 9th July

Afternoon visit to the Dales Countryside Museum for Y5/6s to see the Story of Schools Exhibition – details will be sent home nearer the time

Outdoor education days for Year 3/4 pupils

Further dates may be sent as the term progresses.

Transition dates for Year 6s

The following are *provisional* dates which have been provided by the secondary schools. They will be confirmed next half term, along with further information being provided.

June

Wed 30th A 'Meet the tutors evening' at Richmond School will take place for our Y6 pupils – details will be sent directly by Richmond School

July

Sat 3rd Uniform sizing day for Y6s transferring to Richmond School
Thur 8th SFX School - Y6 Welcome Evening

Mon 12th)
Tues 13th) Block of 3 transition and induction days at Richmond School
Weds 14th)

Mon 12th SFX School – Y6 Induction day



REPLY SLIP

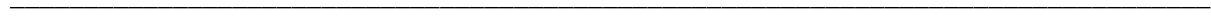
Sun Screen Protection – Years 1 to 6 (Reception and Early Years have been done separately)

Name of child _____

I confirm that I have read the information about sunscreen application for the summer term.

I will provide sunscreen clearly named in my child's school bag for use if the weather changes unexpectedly and give permission for school employees to apply this if necessary.

Other information (if relevant, eg. if allergic to a particular brand of sunscreen):



Signature of parent _____ Date _____