

Reeth Community Primary School and Two Dales Nursery Gunnerside Methodist Primary School



“COMMUNIQUÉ”
17th July 2015 No.6 Summer Term

GOOD BEHAVIOUR CERTIFICATES

Pupils have been working hard to collect their good behaviour stamps lately and we are pleased to announce that the following certificates have been awarded over the last few weeks.

Bronze:

Alfred Atkin, Lucie Stephenson, Wilf Slater Hunter, Callum Bellwood, Nicholas Howarth and Maddie Tweddle

Silver:

Ellie Hughes, Rory Baker, Milly Gale, Millie Darbyshire, Freddie Lundberg, George Reynoldson, Cody Ackroyd, Jennifer Howarth, Harry Busby, Mia Stubbs, Charlie Tranter, Brooke Madgwick, Alice Bowe, Georgia Price, Reuben Livingstone Owen, Tristen Brown, Edith Livingstone Owen, Lauryn Alderson, Joe Tranter, Cleo Baker, Livi Ross, Miles Livingstone Owen, Amelia Brown, George Baker, Sam Grigg, Jack Stephenson Taryn Hodgson, Kiran Coates Oscar Kendall and Amelia Atkinson

Gold:

Sadie Russell



The children have responded really well to the new behaviour reward scheme and in recent discussions with the whole school all pupils agreed that they enjoy and value the new system. In September the children will continue to collect stamps, building on those already gained this year.

FARMERS' MARKET

Thank you to everyone who supported our Farmers' Market on 10th July. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience and learned a great deal through their involvement. As a staff team we were very impressed by the level of independence demonstrated by pupils; the stalls and activities that you visited were very much their own work. We were also pleased with comments made by visitors to the school:

‘Very impressed with the range of goods and the business acumen of the pupils. Well done!’

“Excellent business ideas – watch out the dragons!”

“What a lovely school and terrific, welcoming, charming children.”

“Very organised and polite children – excellent and inspiring entrepreneurs!”

“Lovely children and a great welcome.”

The children made a fantastic £270.41 that will be used to fund a reward in the autumn term, chosen by pupils at a meeting of the School Council.

MUKER AND REETH SHOW ENTRIES

The school is pleased to be sending in entries from the children for our local shows again this year. Work has been entered in the handwriting and collage classes for both shows. **Please do not take any exhibits entered through school away from Reeth Show as all work is needed later that week for Muker Show!** We have arranged for the work to be collected and taken to Muker. Work from both shows will be returned to your child via school in September.

Pupils may collect prize money from the shows, but if they are unable to attend then prizes awarded for work entered through the school will be collected on their behalf and given to them in September. Any entries or prizes from work made from home will be left for individuals to collect at the end of each show day.

MOVING ON

We wish all our Year 6 pupils every success as they step out on the next stage of their exciting learning journey. We also say goodbye to Cleo and Rory who are moving onto a new school closer to where they live and wish them all the best. We are also saying goodbye to Judith Malton, after a great many years of her working with us both at Reeth and Gunnerside. As many of you will know Judith is getting married in September and we wish her a very happy future.

NEW MEMBERS OF OUR STAFF TEAM

In September, along with our new teacher Mrs Dinsdale, we will also welcome two other new members of staff to our team. Mrs Emma Moore will join us to work at Reeth in Mrs Walker's class, and Mrs Rozalyn Ives will join us to work mainly at Gunnerside, although she will also work each week at Reeth on Mondays and will be supervising our Reeth KS2 pupils travelling to and from Gunnerside. We look forward to welcoming them both in September.

END OF SCHOOL DAY TIMINGS – SEPTEMBER 2015

From the start of next term home time on Fridays (only) will be at 3.30pm for Rec, KS1 and KS2. All home-school transport from Reeth will run at this time. The bus for Gunnerside enrolled pupils who have spent the day at Reeth will leave at 3.25pm from Reeth as has been the arrangement this term. This bus arrives at Gunnerside School at 3.40pm to be met by parents of pupils from Gunnerside village, after which it continues onto home-school transport destinations. End of day timings for all other days will be unchanged.

EQUIPPED FOR SEPTEMBER

All our uniform items are available on-line from www.school-shop.co.uk. The company have advised that orders need to be placed no later than 21st August to ensure delivery in time for the start of term. Please can we remind you that for PE all pupils require the following items, kept in a named bag **at school all times**:

- ✓ Purple PE t-shirt (with Reeth and Gunnerside Sport Logo on reverse)
- ✓ Plain black shorts
- ✓ Plimsolls

And - for use outdoors -

- ✓ Plain, dark coloured tracksuit/jogging bottoms
- ✓ Plain dark sweatshirt/long sleeved top.
- ✓ Trainers

Optional items available from our uniform supplier are: Purple PE Hoody (sports logo with or without zip); purple fleece jacket; purple PE kit bag (embroidered with school logo).

APPLICATIONS FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

A letter from the Local Authority regarding secondary applications for September 2016 has been sent home this week to parents of all current Year 5 pupils. Please contact the school office if this letter has not reached you. Please note that the deadline for parents to submit a preference application for secondary school is 31st October 2015, but it can be done anytime from the end of July, on-line via www.northyorks.gov.uk/admissions. It is really important that this deadline is adhered to even if your choice is for your child to go to their catchment school (ie. Richmond School). If you do not submit the application on time then your child will be allocated a place only after all the other applications have been dealt with and there is a risk that you might not get the school of your choice. It is equally important to put 2nd and 3rd choices on the form so that if for any reason the school of your choice is oversubscribed your next best choices are considered.

'FLU VACCINATIONS

We have been asked to publicise that the NHS is introducing an Influenza Immunisation Programme from September 2015, offering vaccinations to all primary school pupils in Years 1 and 2 during October. Consent letters will be sent out to parents of these pupils at the start of the Autumn Term. Posters which have been produced by the NHS, highlighting good reasons to vaccinate your child against 'flu, are displayed at school.

SWIMMING LESSONS



In the coming school year we will again be swimming for 6 weeks in the first half of the Autumn Term, and then for 6 weeks in the second half of the Spring Term 2016. The lessons will work towards the children achieving a swimming distance of 25 metres, along with acquiring other safety and water skills. We will not be taking any children swimming during the Summer Term. We expect to have a group of about 25 pupils swimming in the Autumn Term and letters to these pupils will be sent home when we return after the summer break. Pupils will receive approximately 45 minutes of tuition in the pool. We will once again be using Richmond Swimming Pool for the lessons.

CONGRATULATIONS!

We are pleased to let you know that Mrs Postlethwaite and her husband are expecting their first baby in December. We are delighted for them both and wish them well. She will continue to lead PE sessions in the autumn term until her maternity leave begins.

As the school year comes to a close, I would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone in our school community – pupils, parents, extended family, friends, staff members and the wider community for their contribution in helping us ensure that Reeth and Gunnerside is a great place to come to

school. I look forward to all that we can achieve together as we begin the new school year in September. I hope that you have a wonderful summer break.

G. Stainsby

Gordon Stainsby
Headteacher

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sep

Mon 7th

Tues 8th

Fri 18th

School closed for staff training day.

School re-opens for pupils.

Swimming lessons start for 6 weeks, details to follow.



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