



The Hawthorn Herald

'Learning through Love, Fun and Faith'

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Star Pupils

Class 1

Edward Greenbank – for hard work in all areas.

Holly Doran – for writing again! This time making her sentences even longer by using conjunctions.

Class 2

Harry Noble - for good understanding of weight in Maths.

Sam Patchett - for good understanding of weight in Maths.

Class 3

All of Class 3 for being crowned skipping champions!

Class 4

Sarah Ayaz - for being helpful to others.

Barney Morrison - for working hard in all areas.

Class News

Class 1

Class One have been using different ways to solve subtraction problems. We enjoyed using Pringle tubes to help us. Our beans and potatoes are growing well and we are making sure they are watered and looked after well.

Class 2

Class 2 have written letters to the Duke and Duchess of Sussex this week, congratulating them on their wedding. These will be sent off and hopefully we will receive a reply like we have done in the past. We have also been writing a diary entry as though we are Christopher Columbus when he first arrived in America. In Science, we have planted seeds and are going to find out if the size of the seed affects the speed at which they grow. In Numeracy, we have been learning about weight, reading scales and working out problems to do with weight. Some children estimated that Mrs Oliver weighed 100kg!!

Class 3

This week has been a busy one in (and out) of Class 3! We have done some more work about volcanoes by looking at tectonic plates, we have completed our spooky stories which we will make books out of when we return in June, and even thought about ideas for a sequel! On Thursday we visited Magna which was a fantastic day out. We attended a volcano and rocks workshop and enjoyed making our own volcanoes erupt. The rest of the day was spent looking around the different exhibits and learning in a fun and hands on environment. On Wednesday we attended our skipping festival and what a tremendous performance the children displayed. With four bronze medals, four silvers and four golds across individual and team events we were crowned overall champions, earning our place in the Leeds City finals on 4th July. This is an even greater achievement considering it was a Year 4 competition and half of our class are Year 3!

Class 4

This week, we have completed our 'Extreme Earth' topic by making volcanoes using plastic bottles, newspaper and plaster of Paris. A special thank you to Mrs Gallagher and Miss Ward for their hard work in ensuring that all children were able to create their own volcano model and for undertaking with the messy job of mixing the plaster! We have also been creating our own landscape pieces of art, inspired by David Hockney. On Thursday, we visited Magna in Rotherham where we learnt all about DNA. We extracted DNA from kiwi fruits before making our own 'DNA bracelets'. We then spent some time exploring the various areas of the museum and a fun time was had by all! Thank you to all of the parents who kindly assisted us on the day. I hope everybody in Class 4 has a wonderful half term break.



School Attendance

Our school Attendance target is 97%. Well done **Class 3** for achieving **100%** attendance this week!

Class 1 **98%** Class 2 **99.2%** Class 3 **100%** Class 4 **99%**

House Points

Congratulations to **House** for receiving the largest total of house points this week.

Eagles 37 **Falcons 26** **Vultures 28** **Condors 31**

Kestrels News

Q. What happens when a frog parks in a no-parking zone?

A. His beetle gets toad!

The children have made beautiful swan pictures using cotton pads, card, tissue paper and coloured pens. We have created some fab fish bowls using paper plates, blue and silver card. The children have used paper bowls, paper plates, tissue paper and goggle eyes to make some fantastic turtles and frogs. They also used their cutting skills to make some cute hedgehogs.

School Security

I am aware of a small number of parents discussing school security on Facebook. Can I reiterate that the school Governors and I take our responsibility for safeguarding seriously and this was reflected in the positive feedback we received in our recent safeguarding inspection completed by Leeds City Council. Can I again emphasise both entrances remain locked at all times. Can I also remind parents that parents/Grandparents cannot enter school to use the staff or children's toilets and we encourage all visitors to use the intercom. Also, at the start of the day I am still noticing many children are not entering the playground but staying with parents, this encourages other children not to enter the playground which undermines the instructions we have given pupils and makes it very difficult for the member of staff on duty to supervise all the children. We want all children to go directly to the playground and we thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Late arrivals

This half term we have seen an increase in late arrival marks for a number of children please can I remind parents lessons start at 9am and all children should be here no later than 8.50am.

EYFS

In an earlier newsletter I mentioned our Reception class were visited by a Jayne Forde from, Leeds City Council to check standards of teaching and provision within the Early Years. The final report was emailed to me yesterday and the report was a very positive one! Below is an excerpt from the report:

Feedback to school/setting

a) Strengths

- Comprehensive moderation and data scrutiny systems on a variety of levels, including internal, with the Trust, Family of Schools, LA and via a new app "Slack", support robust and consistent assessment judgements.
- An effective early years team, with experienced and skilful TAs, work very well together collaborating on assessment, planning and delivery of the curriculum. The team know their children very well and consequently are able to plan appropriately to move children's learning on.
- Rich provision indoors and out, where children can develop and extend their learning and build on adult directed activities. Children in areas of provision were engaged, motivated and enthusiastic about their learning.



Healthy Schools

Here is a photograph of the very healthy, creative and delicious treat for Class 2. They were the lucky class chosen by our talented team in the kitchen for being the politest children this week and their reward was this fruity Cat called Tom and his two friends Maisie Mouse and Mickey Mouse.

Skipping

Mr Maguire has done it again! Last week Class 2 won their skipping final and this week it was the turn of Class 3. The big question was - could Class 3 equal Class 2's achievement?.....They did! The children successfully performed a series of inventive skipping performances competing against a host of local schools and won the final with style. It was only when I viewed video footage of their performances did I realise how complex, fast and unbelievable they were. Thank you to Mr Maguire (Subject Leader for PE) for creating these dynamic skipping routines and adding an extra dimension to our PE curriculum. Thank you to Marcus' Mum, Temi's Mum and Lola's Dad for providing vocal support and also to Mrs Gallagher and Miss C. Moir for assisting on the day. Below are some great photos of the children skipping provided by our resident school photographer, Mr Bellamy (Lola's Dad). I will upload more of the photographs and videos to our school website later this afternoon.



Class 3 and 4

I was informed by Mr Roche and Mr McGuire that both classes thoroughly enjoyed yesterday's educational visit to Magna. As you can see from the photographs below there were a wide range of exciting, stimulating and engaging activities for the children to participate in. Thank you to Mrs Procter, Mrs Barker and Mrs Marshall for volunteering to assist on the trip.



GDPR

The law on data protection is changing.



Data privacy has never been more important, and a new regulation comes into effect on May 25th 2018. The new law is built around the principles of transparency and control. For schools this will mean reviewing the processes by which personal data is collected, stored, transferred and deleted.

Among other things the school has updated its own privacy notice to include new information such as the lawful basis on which the school will process data. This can be found on the school website.

In addition to the new privacy notice, parents will be asked for explicit consent for certain things, such as photographs of their child. Parents can change their mind on any consent previously given simply by contacting the school office.

For more detail on the changing requirements please refer to the updated school policy or visit the website of the UK data protection regulator, the Information Commissioners Office [<https://ico.org.uk/>] which has a wealth of information and resources.



Bean Bags

I would like to thank Mr and Mrs Wilkinson (Joshua's Mum and Dad) for donating ten brand new bean bags to school. These bean bags have been placed in each class and will provide comfortable seating for the children in the 'reflective' and reading areas.

School Website

We are constantly adding new information to our school website. Today I will be creating a new page for GDPR (our new data guidance for parents) but there have also been other additions. One of these new additions were recently taken photographs of the children at work and play and I have added these to the school website pages. These photographs were taken by our regular school photographers (Ross School Photography of Ilkley) and were free for school. Below are some examples.



Urgent request from Mrs Gallagher and Miss Ward

Aireborough Art Exhibition 2018 - The art exhibition will be held **on Tue 19th and Wed 20th June** from 9.15am-4.30pm at Guiseley Methodist Church. The theme this year is **"Recycled Art"**. The artist & style we will be looking at is the work of Jane Perkins- see images below. Please could you send in any recycled materials- as we plan to start the work after the half term. We are interested in small to medium items- bottle tops, broken toys, lego, jewellery, straws, buttons, piping, tubing, washed out tin can & laundry bottles, newspapers and magazines.



Have a great half-term and see you on Monday 4th June.

Mr Dale Norris

Headteacher

Dates for the Diary	
	SUMMER TERM 2
Monday 4 th June 2018	School re-opens for Summer 2
Monday 11 th June to Friday 15 th June 2018	Phonics Week
Monday 18 th June 2018	Sports Day 1.15pm
Monday 25 th June 2018	Sports Day Reserve 1.15pm
Tuesday 10 th July 2018	Class One – Stay and Play for Parents/Grandparents
Thursday 12 th July 2018	School disco Class 1-4
Friday 13 th July 2018	Leavers/Awards 2.30pm
Friday 19 th July 2018	Pupil Reports go out to Parents Leavers' Production 2.15pm School Hall
Monday 23 rd July 2018	TRAINING DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday 24 th July 2018	TRAINING DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED



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