## **Star Pupils**

Congratulations to our Star Pupils this week! All chosen by their Class teachers:

#### Class 1

Maxton M for listening carefully and following instructions well all week. Henry M for working hard when reading words in phonics.

### Class 2

Leo D for writing a fantastic persuasive letter with paragraphs. Rainger B for writing a fantastic persuasive letter.

#### Class 3

Jake Thackray-Cooke for producing an inventive kenning poem in Literacy. Pippa Lewis for great division work in Maths this week.

### Class 4

Olivia D for excellent work in Maths.

Oliver B for showing a positive attitude in all areas of the curriculum.

### **Class News**

#### Class 1

This week Class One have been learning how to share and half a number using objects and pennies. We have been writing sentences every day this week and practising using finger spaces and full stops. We have enjoyed exploring our topic of the seaside and looking at some information books.

Class One are getting really good at walking into class independently but can we kindly ask if there are any messages for Mrs Metcalfe or Mrs Malir please can you tell the office and they will pass the messages on. It is causing some distress to some of the children when some parents are still nipping up the ramp to talk to the teachers. Thank you for your cooperation. *Wrs 9. Metcalfe* 

### Class 2

Class 2 have had another busy week. In Literacy, we have continued to look at our story 'The Pirates Next Door' and have written newspaper reports about the pirate's arrival and persuasive letters to the council to try to get the pirates removed from Dull-on-Sea! In Maths, we have been measuring volume, weight and height and learning how to read scales. Our new Topic has started by looking at seasides; learning whether things we see are human or physical features. Wrs S. Oliver

### Class 3

This week Class 3 have been using multiplication to complete divisions in Maths and thought about where to use paragraphs in Literacy. We have looked again at classification keys in Science and thought about the different plants that inhabit the rainforest. Of course I can't forget to mention the skipping finals we attended on Monday, where we finished second overall. This is a fantastic achievement considering 70 schools have entered the competitions this year so to finish second in a Year 4 competition when half of our class are Year 3 is a fabulous achievement and the children should be really proud of themselves for the hard work they put in. *Mr P. McQuire* 

# Class 4

This week, as part of our Science topic, Class 4 have been investigating the hypothesis 'The flatter the object, the less water resistance there will be'. We discussed how best to disprove this idea by planning an investigation using plasticine and water. In Computing, we created a class database before inputting individual data and in Grammar we looked at using hyphens to avoid ambiguity. We have also completed a variety of comprehension, grammar and maths revision activities, *Wr. 7. Roche* 

#### **School Attendance and House Points**

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

Classes	%
Class 1	96.05%
Class 2	92.19%
Class 3	98.62%
Class 4	98.28%

Congratulations to the winning House for receiving the largest total of house points this week!

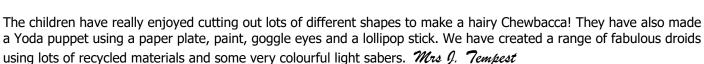
House	Total
Eagles	275
Falcons	187
Vultures	252
Condors	311

# **Kestrels Before and After School Club News**

Q. Why shouldn't you ask Yoda for money?

A. Because he's always a little short.





# Skipping

Over the last two years Hawksworth have successfully won final after final during their skipping quest. Their domination in the skipping has been phenomenal because many of the children had never skipped before or competed in a skipping competition. However, under the tutelage of Mr McGuire, Miss Moir and Mrs Oliver the children have improved year on year.

This week Class 3 competed in the Leeds City Final and every child put in some creative and energetic displays, unfortunately this time they missed out on first place (... we have to give the other schools a chance) but won second place out of a group of ten schools. The other competing schools were: East Garforth, Kippax North, Primrose Lane, Pudsey Bolton Royd, Raynville, Rothwell, St Margaret's, The Wharton's and White Laith. Primrose Lane were the overall winners. Mr McGuire has informed me he is already practising and refining next year's routines at home. This week, I have ordered three large engraved silver cups to represent our past and present skipping achievements. These will be presented to all the 'Skippers' during one of our Friday Celebration assemblies.

I would like to thank the parents who went along to watch the event and who provided vocal support to all the 'Skippers'. Please check out the fantastic video of Hawksworth performing one of their skipping routines which has been uploaded to the Hawksworth CE Primary Facebook page <a href="https://www.facebook.com/HawksworthCE/">https://www.facebook.com/HawksworthCE/</a>





# The Sporting Event of the Year - Up the Odda!

It's that time of the year again when hundreds of runners descend on Hawksworth and large numbers of people don fluorescent jackets emblazoned with the word 'Marshal'. Yes...it is *Up the Odda* day on Saturday! This year we have runners from Germany and Spain!

# **Up the Odda Races include:**

5k Duo - 10k Solo

### 1 mile 8-11 year olds

(Mrs Malir, our own experienced runner, will be there to Marshal the children)

### 2 miles 12-16 year olds

This event has raised thousands and thousands of pounds for the school. At times of ever decreasing budgets it allows the school to spend money on those 'extras' for the children which allows us to use our reduced school budget to maintain our present staffing and resource levels...**THANK YOU MRS STONEY!** 

Mrs Stoney has ironed her 'Race Director' jacket, polished her megaphone and is presently completing her last minute checks before the big day. As always, she has been brilliant working for months behind the scenes and has successfully brought together a large team of volunteers who are giving up their free time to work in benefit of all the children and staff at Hawksworth. Many of them will be at school from 7:30am and finishing late in the afternoon. Reading the list of names on the volunteer roster it reveals many are present parents, governors, friends of parents, Grandparents, expupils and ex-Hawksworth parents (some from many years ago). This event does epitomise what is great about this village school – it is truly a great community working in the interest of all at Hawksworth CE School.

I am looking forward to seeing you all tomorrow, and again, on behalf of the Governors, staff and children I would like to thank everyone for your support and wish all the runners the best for tomorrow.



# **Polling Station**

The school was very busy yesterday with voters casting their votes in the local elections. I have had a few emails from parents regarding the school being used as a Polling Station (understandably). To reassure parents yesterday when children were in school we had a security guard present at all times and the inner door from Class 4 was locked and blocked. I can reassure you the safety of the site is always maintained but it can be disruptive to our school as the Year 5/6 children have to be taught in the school hall which obviously has implications with lessons, dinners and collective worship. To clarify the governors and I did not volunteer the school as a polling station (and locking up at 10.30pm is not high on my wish list either). For a number of years the governors and I have asked Leeds City Council for the school to be struck off the list and one year we did have someone from the council visit the site for a meeting however, they explained as we are a Leeds school we have to provide a polling station. For any parents not happy with the situation I would ask you not to address your concerns with the Governors or I but to contact Leeds City Council directly. The school will be again used for a polling station for the upcoming European Elections.

### **Kestrels Reminder**

Please can parents return their booking forms by Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2019 - thank you. Kestrels is now full on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings. If you think you may need sessions on these dates on a regular basis please complete a booking form. *Wrs 9. Tempest* 





# Thank you!

I would like to thank those parents who donated seeds to Class 1...we have signs of growth! I am no gardener so I may have taken a photograph of weeds but I am hoping we will have a Wildflower garden established very soon for Class 1 to enjoy.

## **Uniform**

Can any parent who has purchased a sweatshirt from School Trends recently, check the logo as there has been an embroidery error. If you have a sweatshirt with the wrong logo please can you call at the office or email the office with details of the size etc and they will be replaced with a new badged sweatshirt free of charge.





**Our Core Values** 



Have a great Bank Holiday weekend and hoping to see you all on Saturday – Up the Odda!

Mr Dale Navis BA (Hons) QTS

Headteacher



















