



The Wolds and Vale Federation

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'One federation family, with transformation at its heart'

Friday 28th May 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Certificates

Stars of the week –

Play School – Samuel B - *for his in-depth knowledge of growth, life and decay*

Class 1 – Rosie S - *being a super scientist and asking lots of super questions.*

Class 2 – Bailey K- *being knowledgeable, some super maths knowledge and discussions in our fraction work this week.*

Class 3 – Riley A - *for being a superstar! For being positive, knowledgeable and curious.*

Children receiving praise postcards from the headteacher this week –

Being collaborative – Farrah W

Being knowledgeable – Harry W

Being curious– Shivonne C-A

Being curious – Jack P

Being reflective – Logan D

Being creative – Izzy H

School lunches after half term

Monday – Enchiladas

Tuesday – Jacket potato and beans

Wednesday – Roast chicken in gravy with mashed potato

Thursday – Sausages and wedges

Friday – Fish and chips

As we come to the end of a long but rewarding half term I would just like to say how impressed I have been with how the children are moving forward in their learning and developing relationships within our school. The staff have worked hard to create an atmosphere in school where everyone is nurtured and it is with your support that we have managed to springboard our aims for our schools to embrace the principles of nurture.

As the UK and the world starts to open up, as a school, we still have to be mindful of the restrictions that are still in place. Again the end of the summer term will look quite different to the norm but with care we still plan to hold our residential trips, sports day and end of year activities, the difference being that we will continue to run 'bubbles' until the end of this academic year.



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This term has been successful in terms of no Covid 19 cases reported within our school community and no bubble closures due to isolation or close contact, it is very much our mission to keep it this way as we progress through the year. Our and your sensible approach to the lifting of restrictions is key in enabling us to achieve this.

Have a restful half term week and as always please ensure that whilst your children are 'out and about' next week that they stay safe and are aware of stranger danger, road safety and what to do in an emergency.

Class 1

As I am sure that you are aware, Miss Childs is expecting her first child at some point during the summer holidays.

Recently we appointed a Miss Daisy Taylor (no relation) to cover Miss Childs' class teacher responsibilities during her maternity leave. Miss Taylor qualified as a teacher in June 2020 and has recently been working at St Peter's Primary School in Scarborough – she comes with a clear expertise in Early Years education and has relevant experience in KS1.

Following North Yorkshire guidance Miss Childs will be required to work in isolation from 28 weeks of pregnancy. In order to secure continuity for those children in Class 1 we have taken the fortunate steps to ask Miss Taylor to start her role from the 7th June. We understand that transition is vital for any new teacher starting at school, for staff and children, and this will give Miss Taylor and Miss Childs time to work together for the first week and allow the children to be comfortable with the changes implemented.

It will also give parents the opportunity to meet and get to know Miss Taylor during this week whilst Miss Child is on the school premises. As ever the continuity and quality of your child's education is paramount to all that we do in school and if you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact myself.

Peat Rigg 23rd to 25th June

Only 4 and a half weeks until our older children visit Peat Rigg outdoor activity centre, kit lists have been sent home this week. Please return any outstanding consent forms as soon as possible. All balances are due to be paid on Friday 28th May, if you are unable to make this final payment date please contact the school office immediately. If you would like to find out more about the centre here is the link to their website <https://www.peatrigg.org/>

Norton College transition days 22nd to 23rd June

Unfortunately the Norton transition days for year 6 have fallen on one of the same days as our Peat Rigg trip. Options for children are below, please let us know what you would prefer –
Option 1 - Child attends both Norton days and arrives at Peat Rigg at tea time on Wednesday.
Option 2 – Child attends 1 day at Norton and returns to school on Wednesday to travel with the group.



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Bikeability July 2021

In July our year 5 and 6 children will be taking part in The Bikeability National Standard Cycling 2 day courses. These courses are free. For your child to take part, you will need to ensure that your child has:

- A roadworthy bike.
- By law the bicycle must have an audible warning, e.g. a bell.
- An approved, well fitting cycle helmet conforming to standards:-EN 1078 or SNELL B 95. Damaged helmets, full face motorbike style helmets and helmets used for other sporting activities are not acceptable for the course.
- The ability to ride a bike!
- Suitable outdoor clothing for cycling, depending on the weather and the time of year.

We feel this training is vital in order to keep children safe while on their bikes and we'd like all children in these year groups to take part, If you feel you are unable to provide any of the above, please do contact the school office.

Transition week July

During July we are hoping to hold a transition week to help children prepare for the changes in September. This will of course be dependant on the covid risk assessment and guidelines at the time. Our Nurture UK training tells us that transitional times are very important for children and we want to ensure everyone has the best start to the new year in September. More details to follow.

Stay and Play

We have been overwhelmed with the response to our stay and play sessions, it has been amazing to see so many families enjoying the sessions. We have now extended this service to include a session at Luttons school, please contact us to book a place.



We would like to invite you to our stay and play sessions operating every -
Every Thursday 1pm – 2.30pm (During term time) at **Sherburn Play School**,
Sherburn CE Primary School, YO17 8PG

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Wednesday 1pm to 2.30pm at Luttons CP School,
9th & 23rd June 7th & 21st July
West Luttons, YO17 8TF

There will be themed activities for you and your child to share, stories and songs.
All children under 5 along with one parent or guardian are welcome.



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Parent Governor Election and resignation.

The result of the parent governor election was that Mrs Sally Gibbon has been elected as the new governor who will take the place of Nicky Skelton who is stepping down when her daughter moves on to secondary school. Sally has been a very dedicated associate governor over the last 6 months and has attending many training sessions and plays a very active role on the board. She has particular interests in Special Educational Needs and Finance. This week we say goodbye to Jason Peel who has resigned from the board, Jason has been a dedicated member of the team who has many years governor experience. We thank him for his voluntary service to the federation.

A reminder of the 3 core functions of governance for everyone to be aware of -

To ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction

To hold the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of staff

To oversee the financial performance of the school and make sure its money is well spent

Community news

Sherburn Duck Race

Monday 31st May 2021 at 3pm East Beck, Ducks and raffle tickets available from Tracy Vitty on 07432506392 or facebook, money raised for the replanting of the village flower tubs and Sherburn Playing field association.

Car boot sale

Monday 31st May at 10am to 2pm Sherburn Sports Club. Car boot sale with refreshments, bouncy castle and inflatable slide. £5 per car or £7 per van, sellers from 9am, No need to book.

Craft fair

Sunday 11th July at 10am to 3pm at Sherburn Sports Club, Summer craft fair, £10 for stallholders free entry for customers, refreshments will be available. Call or message 07445 253691 to pre book a stall.

Have a great week, see you all after half term.

Ian Taylor

Do you know?

The countryside code. These are the rules you should follow when you are out walking in the countryside. They are designed to make the countryside safe for everyone so it can be enjoyed by all.

1. Respect the local community.
2. Leave gates as you find them.
3. Stick to paths and follow signs.
4. Leave no trace.
5. Look after your dog.