



Barkston Ash Catholic Primary School

'With God's guidance we grow and learn'

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Dear Parents and Carers

Today, children in Classes 1, 2 and 3 visited Leeds Playhouse Theatre to watch a performance of 'The Tiger who came to Tea.' The children had a fantastic time and, for many, it was their first educational visit. We know that children love these experiences, making memories with their friends in a different way, developing communication and language skills, and accessing learning in a new environment.

A key part of our School Improvement Plan is to provide wider opportunities for all- we are passionate about providing our children with a range of opportunities. This term, staff are working together to plan a 'Core Learning Experience' programme which will be implemented from September 2024 and will sit alongside our curriculum. This programme is being designed to ensure that all of our children experience either an educational visit or a workshop each term, linked to a range of curriculum subjects. Exciting times ahead!

Have a wonderful weekend

Mrs Vaughan



Virtue Our second virtue this half-term is '**Resilience**'. When we are resilient, we accept that there will be difficulties in life but we see these as a challenge and not to be discouraged. We search for our inner strength and faith to get us through personal challenges. We have the staying power to commit to seeing things through and don't give up when things get hard because our motivation comes from within and we see challenges as an opportunity for growth. There will be some things we cannot change and some we can. Through the experience of these challenges, we will develop the wisdom to discern the situations that are in need of perseverance and resilience.

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

Weekly Mission To follow Jesus' example by caring for others.

Prayer of the Week The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed by thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven,
Give us this day our daily bread, And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us, And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil.
Amen.

Fundraising Friday- 26th April Next Friday, Dom, Oscar and Seb (Class 5) will be carrying out some Fundraising after school. Their aim is to raise funds towards a fantastic opportunity, the Selby U11's Rugby Tour to Holland! The boys are climbing Wharfedale Mountain on Saturday 27th April and will have their sponsorship forms with them if anyone would wish to sponsor them. Additionally, they will be selling cakes and sweets to raise further funds. Please do support the boys if you are able to.

Teampoint Winners This week's winners are the **red** team with an awesome average of 12.3 points! **Class 1** achieved the highest team point total with a fab 468 collected this week! Well done to red team and Class 1!

Special Menu 16th May 2024 On Thursday 16th May, NYC are offering a special menu of Mini Food Fest. Chicken/veggie burger with wedges, ketchup and veg sticks followed by ice-cream and fruit will replace all 3 usual options on our menu. If this menu change alters your child's meal booking, please let the office know by Monday 29th April at the latest. Thank you.

Parent Governor Election A final reminder: if you wish to vote, please ensure your ballot paper is sent to guvelections@barkstonash.n-yorks.sch.uk by the 22nd April. Thank you.

Summer Dates Dates for next week are below. Please see our school website calendar for all dates.

Monday 22nd April- Parent Governor voting closes

Wednesday 24th April- 10.30am- Class 4 attending Mass at Scarthingwell (*all parents, carers and parishioners are welcome to attend*)

Thursday 25th April- pm- Tag Rugby event (*participant letters already sent*)

Friday 26th April- 2.45pm- Celebration Assembly (*Class 4 parents and carers invited to attend*)
- 3.15pm- Fundraising Friday- please support if you are able to

Helping Hands Dates Summer term Please see dates below:

HH AGM meeting - 8pm 22nd May, venue (TBC)

Sponsored Bounce - 22nd May

Non uniform day - 14th June

Summer BBQ - 21st June

Break The Rules Day - 12th July

Newsletters, class curriculum letters, other useful forms & letters and the Wednesday Word are available on the school website.

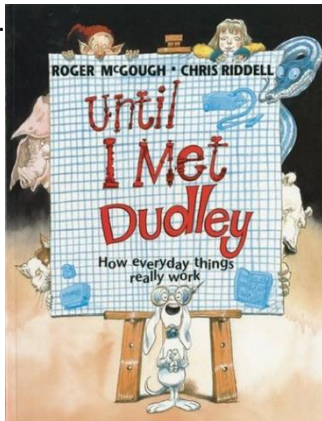


Let's Celebrate!



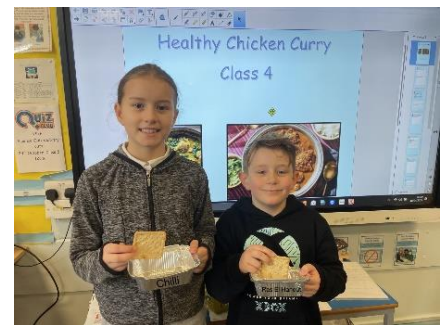
In **Class 1**, Reception children have been exploring 3D shapes.

In **Class 2** this week, we have been learning about Eastertide, with a focus on when Jesus appeared to His disciples. The class split into groups to create 'freeze frames' of different parts of the story.



In **Class 3** we have started looking at our new book, 'Until I Met Dudley.' We identified the features of an explanation text, collated them in a success criteria together and then found them in the book.

This week in **Class 4**, we have been tasting different spices so we can choose which ones we want to include in our healthy curry designs.



In RE in **Class 5** this week, the Year 5 children took part in a Circle Time activity linked to the Resurrection of Jesus. They considered their own personal thoughts about the Resurrection, the feelings and reactions of the Disciples, and what Jesus' Resurrection means for us today.

🌀 Thank you to Joseph and Oscar for presenting our Celebration Liturgy this week! 🌀

A huge well done to this week's award winners...

Class 1 Superstar: Harry

Class 5 Superstar: Flo

Class 2 Superstar: Finlay

Headteacher award: Ava T-R C3

Class 3 Superstar: Evie

Lunchtime award: Nancy C1

Class 4 Superstar: Lola

No new Times Table champions this week.

Please keep practicing your times tables at home on TTRS!