

AYSCOUGHFEE HALL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER: 09/06/23

Dear Parents,

We have started the final half of the summer term with our usual enthusiasm. It was lovely to see the wave on the playground on Thursday and all the children dressed in blue to celebrate World Ocean Day. As you will see in the photograph further down, the effect was really quite eye-catching.

Our Year 4 children set off for their one-night residential visit to Sacrewell Farm yesterday and are having a fantastic experience. They return today, no doubt tired but full of the adventures they have had.

It seems that we are in for a warm and sunny weekend, so I hope that you all enjoy the good weather and have fun.

KINDERGARTEN



Kindergarten are learning about the lifecycle of a caterpillar. They have all worked so well to remember the different stages of growth and in the correct order. This prompted some of the children to make their own caterpillar creations. What a lovely start to their last term in Kindergarten.







Eden was chosen, by a board of judges, as one of the favourite pieces of art to be entered into the ISA Coronation Challenge. Her prize was a mug and a t-shirt with her design on them. Well done Eden.

RECEPTION



Reception class have had a fantastic ocean themed week. We have enjoyed reading The Snail and the Whale by Julia Donaldson and writing postcards from the snail. We have also been busy celebrating World Ocean Day by attending a live surf fit 🖗 lesson and practised holding our breath in case we had 'a wipe out'! We have created some beautiful sea themed transient art too.









YEAR 1



Year 1 have started this term with a fantastic week reading, writing, making and playing all things dragon! The children were very inspired to describe their own dragon after reading the story 'Tell Me a Dragon' by Jackie Morris. We had some amazing descriptive writing, even including some similes. In maths we have been using a range of equipment to partition 2-digit numbers into Tens and Ones and the children were keen to extend their own learning to try out partitioning 3-digit numbers. Our classroom is already looking great with dragon masks being made to go up on the wall and a fabulous role play area which the children helped to design. We all think this is going to be a great term.





YEAR 2

Year 2 have started learning about the Odyssey, making their own wooden horses and squashing inside the stock cupboard to get a feeling of what it would have been like inside the Trojan Horse. Mr Scott defended himself valiantly but was suitably defeated by an avenging Greek army. We have also been busy learning about temperature and how to read thermometers in the hope that the reading might eventually go above 12 degrees Celsius!



YEAR 3



Magical times in Year 3! The children have received their acceptance letters to Hogwarts. Magic, Mischief and Mayhem are in the air! However, we solemnly swear that... we are learning in here! The children read the first chapter of "Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone" and analysed the methods JK Rowling used to engage her readers. They then wrote their own openings to a story featuring magic.

Our DT lesson has seen Year 3 children following the creative designs they made earlier to make their own musical instruments. The children thought about how to change the amplitude and the pitch of the sounds produced by our instruments. We cannot wait to finish our guitars, shakers and drums! We are very much looking forward to

creating a music piece with them.









YEAR 4



Year 4 are having a wonderful time at Sacrewell Farm. We are on our first ever residential and have settled into farm life very well. We have been orienteering, picked vegetables and prepared them for our snack, made rafts and paddled in the beautiful stream. The tractor ride was bumpy but fun and we loved every minute!

YEAR 5



In English this week, the children have been working hard on their grammar skills, with a focus on cohesive devices and speech to advance the action. A range of pictures were available to help with their ideas, and the children were able to unveil a character's motive based on what they are saying. WOW!

In maths, there has been a focus on measurement of length. The children went outside and recorded their distances based on how far they can run in a short period. They then measured these, before converting



them to mm, cm, m and even km! The children recognised the importance of place value, and worked very hard in their pairs.

In Curriculum, the children learned about peace across the religions. We discussed beliefs and attitudes towards this, and created bright, colourful posters to promote this further. The children took their time with their designs, and their final pieces are sensational. Well done to all!



YEAR 6

This week, the children have brought in their fantastic Egyptian artefacts ready for our class museum. Creating paintings, hieroglyphics, sculptures, jewellery and games, they have been hard at work learning about Ancient Egyptian life. Next week, we will use the knowledge gained from our trip to the Gentleman's Society, to create a class museum which will display their creations. Well done Year 6.



In English lessons, the children have been creating 'Blackout Poems' and selecting words from a text to transform into poetry and artwork. The children showed careful consideration when selecting their words and have created some fabulous poetry and artwork - well done. All the work has been based on the class text, 'Kensuke's Kingdom' and the children have shown talent equal to that of the author!

The children have also been busy reading and learning lines for our forthcoming production of 'Shakespeare Rocks'. They have all really impressed with the enthusiasm they have shown and the effort they are putting in to learning their parts in their own time. Another excellent week, Year 6.

REMINDER: ELITE SPORTS ACADEMY SUMMER ACTIVITY CLUB

Don't forget to book your space in the Ayscoughfee Summer Activity Club. See the attached poster for more details. **Dates & Times are:**

Ayscoughfee Hall School Monday 17th July - Friday 21st July 9am - 3pm All children will need to bring a packed lunch/plenty of drinks required. Just £20 per day!

To book your space or for any further questions please email Elite's Sports Camp Coordinator, Chelsea, on: <u>Chelsea@elitesportsacademy.co.uk</u>

SPORTS NEWS



Boys U10'S U11'S Cricket v The Peterborough School 07.06.23 As our two teams took to the field the sun was trying to break through the cloud and a cool breeze made the conditions excellent for a game of cricket.

The U11's team, captained by Sebastian, had a very tightly played game. Our pupils went for their shots which in the end was detrimental to the result. They showed effort and brave play with some good cricket. AHS 77 for 8,

TPS 80 for 2.

The U10's were consistent in their

batting, roughly 10 runs an over, and in their fielding taking 4 wickets through catches, run outs and bowling. Noah captained the team and was made man of the match by the Peterborough players. Jet took a standout one handed catch off his own bowling. The win by our team was well deserved. AHS 107 for 1, TPS 83 for 4.

Thank you to the parents that supported the fixture, a lovely afternoon for all.



ECO NEWS

Eco club were astounded with the growth occurring in our poly tunnel! We have cucumbers, tomatoes and courgettes growing as well as runner beans. However, it has not all been a success, the pesky pigeons have eaten our peas! Look out for our stall at the summer fair where we will be selling plants and produce ()!









Thank you so much for all the donations we received for our World Ocean Day yesterday. We raised £132.00 for such a worthwhile charity.



PTFA NEWS

REMINDER: FATHER'S DAY ORDER DEADLINE IS TUESDAY 13TH JUNE AT 3.20PM

Please remember all orders for Father's Day need to be ordered via Parentmail forms no later than the 13th June at 3.20pm. See the attached poster for further details.

NON-UNIFORM DAY – THURSDAY 22ND JUNE – TOMBOLA PRIZES

We will have a non-uniform day on Thursday 22nd June in exchange for a tombola prize for the Summer Fete. See the attached poster for further details.

"Fun on the Farm" Summer Fete – Saturday 24th June, 11am – 2pm

The PTFA would like to invite all Parents, Grandparents and Friends of Ayscoughfee Hall School to join us on Saturday 24th June from 11am – 2pm for our annual Summer Fete. See the attached poster for further details.

***Volunteers are needed to help set up, run games / stalls and tidy up. We would appreciate any time you could spare. Please see Mrs Staples in the School Office. Thank you.

SCHOOL SHOP OPENING DATES & TIMES

Tuesday 13th June - 4.10pm – 4.30pm and Tuesday 27th June 2.50pm – 3.30pm in the Foyer. Pre-loved uniform donations are very welcome - we are in need of any infant uniform donations. If you have any, then please drop them into the main School Office. Thank you.

MUSIC ASSEMBLIES

This is just a reminder that our music assemblies will continue over the next few weeks. Parents have been invited to watch their children showcase what they have been learning.

DATE	TIME	TEACHER	Instrument	YR GROUP
Monday 12 th June	9am	Miss Potter	Junior Piano	Year 5 and Year 6
Tuesday 13 th June	2.30pm	Mr Jackson	Drums	Year 1 and Year 3
Tuesday 20 th June	2.30pm	Mr Jackson	Drums	Year 4, Year 5 and
				Year 6

Dates for Your Diary

June				
Mon 12 th	Music Assembly 9am – (Piano)			
	PTFA Meeting – 3.20pm			
Tues 13 th	Music Assembly 2.30pm (Drums)			
	School Shop – 4.10pm – 4.30pm			
	Music Concert – 7pm			
Wed 14 th	Year 2 Greek Day – pupils come in Greek costume			
	Fixture: Away – Y3/Y4 Softball Cricket @ St Hughes with Grantham Prep starts 2.15pm			
Fri 16 th	Father's Day gifts go home with children			
	Teddy Bear's picnic for New starter Kindergarten children			
Tues 20 th	Music Assembly 2.30pm (Drums)			
Wed 21 st	11+ information evening at Spalding High for Year 5 girls			
Thurs 22 nd	Non-uniform day in exchange for a tombola prize for Summer Fete. New Kindergarten "taster day"			
Fri 23 rd	Year 2 Outing to the Botanic Gardens and Year 3 Outing to the Fitzwilliam Museum – leaving at 8.15am New Kindergarten "taster day"			
Sat 24 th	PTFA Summer Fete "Food and Farming theme" 11am – 2pm			
Mon 26 th	Kindergarten and Reception outing to Natureland			
Tues 27 th	Move Up day – pm for all children			
	School Shop – 2.50pm – 3.30pm			
Wed 28 th	SPORTS DAY – INFANTS AND JUNIORS			

STARS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to this week's **STARS** who are;

Kindergarten: Thea

- Reception: Jacob Year 1: Barnaby
- Year 2: Benjamin
- Year 3: Zach Year 5: Emma
- Year 6: Rose

Kindness awards: Henry E - (Juniors) and George L – (Infants)

Headteacher Award: Year 2

Golden Dustpan Award: Year 5

Birthdays for next week... Friday 9th June – Eliza, Ronnie-Rose and Mrs Forrest



Have a wonderful weekend. Mrs Wright

