



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Summer Term ~ Issue 29~ Friday 1st May 2026

Message from Miss Caygill Head of School

Dear parents/carers,
A super week of learning across school this week. It is always an amazing term when all the children can really express their learning from across the previous two terms. There really has been a special buzz around school this week from children and staff and we hope this continues throughout the summer term. Our year 5/6 children enjoyed a day at Settlebeck on Wednesday for a STEM day. The children were as always, a credit to our school and were enthusiastic talking about their experience when back in school.

The after-school clubs this term are really well attended and we know the children are gaining enjoyment for the offer of a wider range of experiences. Throughout the Summer term we have many more events and activities happening for all children across school. Please continue to read the newsletter for relevant information and details to support your children with the different events. Wishing you all a special longer weekend with family.
Miss Caygill

This week's **STAR LEARNERS**



Class 1 –Bonnie for her super attitude to learning, asking for help when needed and settling well into her new class
Teddy for working hard with his phonic sentence writing, remembering what his sentences need.
Class 2 – Quinn for super explanations in science.
Amelia for continual practice and improvement in Ukulele lessons.
Class 3 – Patrick for always working hard to show deeper understanding in Maths.
Archie for showing interest, respect and maturity during the STEM day at Settlebeck.

Attendance for the week

Class 1 –96%
Class 2 –100 %
Class 3 -87.9%
Whole school: 94.9%

Upcoming Dates

Dates
4th May-Bank Holiday
Monday-no school
6th May-York residential parents Meeting
Week of 11th May-KS2 SATs
22nd May-Break up for half-term

CLUBS

Monday- Music/choir
-12.30-1pm
Yoga Club-3.15-4.15
Tuesday – Gardening Club-
3.15-4.15
Thursday – Library Club
12.30pm & Zumba – 3:15 –
4.15pm-
Friday-Multi-skills lunchtime
Club-Mr. B
Multi-skills with Mr. B-3.15-
4.30 pm-



School Office Updates

Attendance

We have had a number of requests for holidays in term time this week. Please be aware that holidays in term time will not be authorized unless there are exceptional circumstances.

The upcoming statutory assessment weeks that the children have:

KS2 SATs-week beginning 11th May 2026

Year 1 Phonics- Week beginning 8th June 2026

Year 4 Multiplication Check Week-Week beginning 1st June 2026

Y2 children will carry out optional SATs within May

Arbor-updates

Please can all parents check the information on Arbor around addresses, contacts, medical etc. It is important that school have the up to date information to ensure the safeguarding of the children in school. You can update the details on your parent APP but if you have any difficulties, please contact Julie in the office who can update the details held. We need your permission to change the information we hold on our system.

School Lunches

We are continuing with the current lunch menu, apologies for not advising you of this at Easter, however we will always advise you if we need to alter any meals. Otherwise, we will send menu choices home again (before October half-term) prior to any changes being made.

York Residential Payments and Meeting for Class 2 and Class 3

Please could parents check their parent pay account for York Residential payments, as deposits, and two instalments are now overdue. If you could pay these as soon as possible that would be much appreciated, the next instalment is due by 22.05.26. Any issues please do not hesitate to speak to the school office.

Meeting – We will hold a meeting for parents regarding the residential trip to York on Wednesday 6th May 2026, in class 2 at the end of the school day.

School Office Hours

Please be aware that Julie is in the office from 8.45 in the morning. Julie doesn't work Wednesday afternoon. During the school day Julie has a lot of meeting and training commitments and isn't always available to answer e-mails straight away. **There is always time at the start or end of the school day for parents to pop in and see Julie with any questions or information that they need clarifying. Miss Caygill is also outside every morning to answer any questions.**

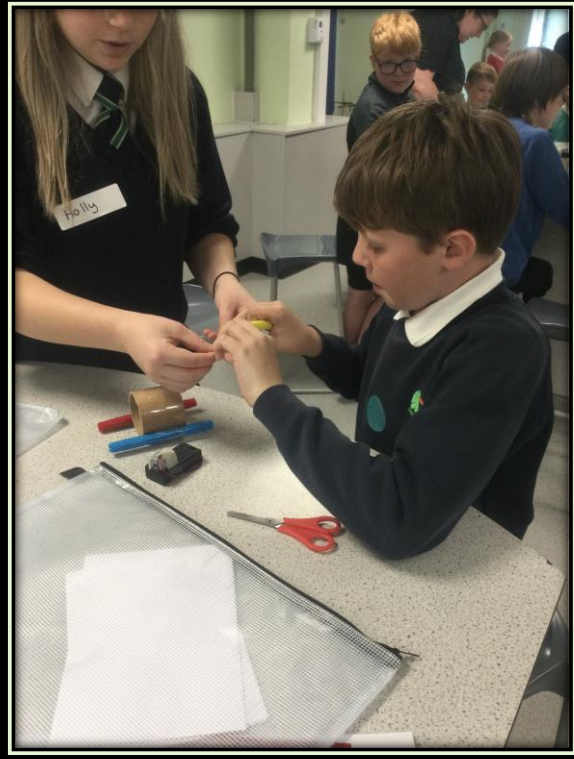
Battery Recycling

We are recycling batteries now in school, so if children can bring any in from home, we have a box in the hallway, please see earlier newsletter attachments that detail what batteries the school can recycle.

Mental well-being week

We will be again running our wellbeing walks in the week of 11th May. Mrs. Metcalfe is in the planning stages and will include more detail next week. This is a special opportunity for all our children to benefit from using the surrounding area to help their well-being. This will also be extra support for our Year 6 children in their SATs week when they will be able to join the walks each day.

Photo Gallery



Class 3 took part in a STEM day at Settlebeck School.

They completed a variety of activities including creating robots in Science, investigating aerodynamics in PE, creating shelters in DT, baking scones in Food Technology and even incorporating physics into castle designs in History. We also came away with a science pack for school to use. They all represented school so well and had a fantastic time!

