



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Summer Term ~ Issue 30 ~ Friday 8th May 2026

Message from Miss Caygill Head of School

Dear parents/carers,
We have had a busy week after the bank holiday and learning has been focused. The children across school have been working well on their learning and continuing to talk about what their learning through using our Oracy ABCs. Next week is an important week for our Year 6 children with their KS2 SATS. We know how hard the children and staff have been working in preparation for this. As a school we want to wish them all lots of luck in showing all their hard work across the week.

Our KS1 children have also been working on some of their SATs this week and have really been keen to show what they know. These will continue up to half term.

It is great seeing so many families represented at our weekly assemblies. We enjoy being able to share our learning and wider opportunities with the whole school community. Hoping you have a relaxing weekend (especially Y6) and see you all next week.

Miss Caygill

This week's **STAR LEARNERS**



Class 1 – Charlie for focused learning in our sentence writing, practicing new learning alongside previous knowledge.

Finn for his recall and focus within our new Geography learning, talking about the world, continents and oceans.

Class 2 – Bob for some super sentence work this week in English using and expanding on new vocabulary.

Jack for always making great contributions to lessons and using the ABCs so well.

Class 3 – Olivia for developing confidence and independence in all her work. Maisie for showing hard work and a positive attitude in the build up to SATS. You've got this!

Attendance for the week

Class 1 –88.5%

Class 2 –98.3 %

Class 3 -100% Well done!

Whole school: 94.7%

Upcoming Dates

Dates

Week of 11th May-KS2 SATs
And Wellbeing Week
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-

**Head of School
Award
Amelia
for her kind,
thoughtful attitude
towards others
around school.**

School Office Updates

SATS Week

Next week is SATS week. The Year 6 pupils have worked very hard with the run-up to the tests, and we wish them the best for next week. We would like to remind the pupils that it is important to get a good night's rest the night before and to have a good breakfast. Remember we are offering the pupils to come in from 8:30 to have breakfast and a chat to prepare them for the mornings. We know that all the pupils will try their best and we are so proud of them.

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.

Arrival at school.

Please be aware in the morning that the school gates open at 8.45. We have had a number of children (other than taxi children) arriving before this time and waiting unsupervised at the top gate. This has been reported to us by a parent. Please ensure the gate is open before leaving the children. **Please continue working together to safeguard all our children.**

York Residential Payments 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.

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.**

Mental well-being week

Next week we will be again running our wellbeing walks on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday for all the children from Reception to Year 6. On Tuesday morning Mrs. Metcalfe will work with our Nursery children on a well-being walk around the school grounds. 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 after their busy mornings.

Gardening Club

Gardening Club would like to say a big thank you to Simon Winstanley's in Leyburn for the donation of compost, and to the parents who have donated seeds and plants. Any donations of bird seed, seeds and plants would be welcome.

Photo Gallery

Gardening Club-planting

