

"But I trust in you, O Lord; I say, 'You are my God.'" — Psalm 31:14

Attendance this week was an excellent 97.53%, which is above our school target of 96%. Fantastic news – well done everyone – lets hope for another healthy learning week next week too before Easter break.

Easter Service

On Wednesday 25th March we will be holding our school Easter Service at the Village Hall at 1.30pm. As with the Christmas service led by Classes 1 and 2, this service will be led by Class 3, who have been working hard to prepare a musical performance entitled 'The Three Trees'. We are very much looking forward to seeing all their efforts come together.

All parents are warmly invited to join us if you would like to come along, although the service will mainly feature the Class 3 children.

After the service, the children will return to school to take part in an egg hunt on the field before finishing at the normal end of the day.

On Friday 27th March (the last day of term), parents are warmly invited to attend our whole school worship. The Worship Council will be performing a short Easter play they have prepared, and each class will share what they have been doing. Teas and coffees will also be served afterwards by members of FOCAS.

Letters & Consents

- **Afterschool clubs** for next half term are now available to book on Arbor, including the new Beacon Club sessions 4.15-5.30 & 5.30-6.00pm.
- **Swimming** consent letters for Class 3 and some of Class 4 have been issued and must be returned by Friday 27th March so that we can set groups please.
- Please could Class 4 parent/carers complete the consent on Arbor for the **Rounders and Cross-Country Competition** on 29th April.
- **Sun Screen agreement** – now I realise you may say I am getting carried away, but the current sun has reminded me to ensure all parents have signed agreements – if you did it last year, you do not need to do it again, unless you want to change your answers – however, if you not return it last year (or were not here) your child will come home with a letter with a consent form to return ASAP please.
- **Arbor payments** – as we enter the final week before Easter, please ensure all wrap around care, lunch, milk payments are up to date – also residential trip payment deadlines will also creep up. Thanks

Friday 20th March 26



Love and Serve

Good Work Awards

Star of the Week

Class 1 – Arthur
Class 2 – Lorelei
Class 3 – Amelie J
Class 4 – Dom

Excellent English

Class 1 – Margot J
Class 2 – Sam
Class 3 – Oliver
Class 4 – Alfie A

Marvellous Maths

Class 2 – Scarlett H
Class 3 – Levi
Class 4 – Max

Fantastic Foundation

Class 1 – Olive
Class 2 – Savannah
Class 3 – Tilly
Class 4 – Phoebe

Well done to the **yellow** house, who scored the most house points.

Class 4 had the tidiest room and therefore were awarded the Clutter Cup this week – well done!

Calendar for after half term

Monday 23rd: breakfast & afterschool club,
Tuesday 24th: breakfast & afterschool club, Class 1 – forest school session, Class 2 parents - Let's Learn Together at 9am, Class 4 Saxophone lessons
Wednesday 25th: breakfast & afterschool club, violin & cello lessons, Pop-up Library, Easter Service 2pm
Thursday 26th: breakfast & afterschool club
Friday 27th: breakfast & afterschool club, Whole School Worship and Good Work Assembly with parents invited to attend 9am.

Dinner Menu for week commencing 23rd March

Monday: Cheese & Tomato pizza, wedges & veg, Iced Sponge
Tuesday: Pasta Bolognese (Quorn option), Doughnut muffin
Wednesday: Easter special – sausages (vegetarian sausages), Yorkshire Pud & veg followed by a Chocolate Krispy
Thursday: Chicken or Veg korma & rice, flapjack
Friday: Fish or salmon (pupil choice), chips & veg, Brownie
Please can we also remind you that we are a NUT AWARE school. Alternative options of Jacket Potatoes and Sandwiches are available with fillings of ham, cheese, tuna or beans.

This week.....

Class 1 have been practicing lighting using a flint and steel, investigating the 'fire triangle'. In maths their focus has been on one more and one less.
Class 2 have been learning about the events of the Easter story. They have started a new class text and have been making predictions.
Class 3 have continued to rehearse their play for next week. They have also been learning about perimeter in maths and Antarctica in geography.
Class 4 have been to see Malton School's performance of Chicago, which they really enjoyed. In science they have been investigating soluble and non-soluble chemicals.

Roadworks – Bull Piece Lane (between Scagglethorpe and Settrington) will be closed from 8am Monday 23rd March until 6pm Tuesday 31st March. We are advised that this is a FULL closure and there will not be access to school from that direction.

Become a Parent Governor – make a difference to our school

We are currently seeking enthusiastic and committed parents or carers to join our Governing Body as a Parent Governor. This is a fantastic opportunity to play an active role in shaping the future of our school and ensuring the very best education for all of our children.

What does a Parent Governor do? Parent Governors work alongside the Headteacher and other governors to:

- Help set the school's vision and strategic direction
- Monitor standards and pupil achievement
- Oversee the school's budget and resources
- Support and challenge school leaders to ensure continued improvement

Governors do not get involved in the day-to-day running of the school, instead, they focus on the bigger picture and long-term development.

Why become a Parent Governor? As a parent or carer, you bring a unique and valuable perspective. You understand what matters most to families, and your voice helps ensure that decisions reflect our whole school community.

Being a governor allows you to:

- Develop new skills in leadership, teamwork and strategic thinking
- Gain insight into how schools operate
- Contribute to important decisions that impact all pupils
- Make a meaningful difference in your child's education

No special qualifications are required, just commitment, integrity and a genuine interest in supporting the school. Full training and support will be provided.

What is the commitment? - The Governing Body usually meets several times a year, with some additional committee meetings. Most meetings take place in the evening. Papers are shared in advance, and preparation time is needed to read these carefully. If you care about our school's future and would like to contribute to its continued success, we would love to hear from you.

Further information and nomination forms are available from the school office. Please consider putting

What's happening in school and around us

- It is 'Potato in a bucket' competition time again – please see attached leaflet – collect your bucket and potatoes from Settrington Village Hall on Saturday 28th March at 10.30am £7 to enter, winner has produced the most potatoes by the end
- Don't forget that Kemps are holding their annual World Book Day Exhibition of local children's creative work (including Settrington pupils) as Reggie and Billy discovered below. Please go see the exhibition and your child's contribution. They have made some amazing things for the display.



- The Yorkshire Rotter's are running an open day on 1st April – please see flyer attached to newsletter email
- Helmsley Arts Centre are running some Easter Art workshops on the 30th and 31st March – booking is essential – see attached flyer.

Safeguarding

As a rural school, many of our children travel to and from school by car each day. Please take a moment to remind children about the importance of staying safe in vehicles.

Children should always:

- Wear a seatbelt on every journey, no matter how short
- Sit in an appropriate car or booster seat if needed
- Stay seated and avoid distracting the driver
- Get in and out of the car safely, away from traffic where possible

Country roads can be narrow and fast-moving, so these simple steps make a big difference in keeping everyone safe.

Request from Class 2

Class 2 would really like any recycled materials for their 'Fire of London' DT project next week - mainly cardboard such as cereal boxes, egg boxes, Amazon boxes etc., but any plastic (yogurt pots etc.) would be great too. Thank you very much for your help.

Meningitis

You may be aware of recent media coverage regarding a meningitis outbreak in **Kent**. Although this situation is **not** affecting schools in our area, we recognise that it may prompt questions or concerns from staff, parents and carers alike. For your information, we have attached to the newsletter email a UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) signs and symptoms poster. Also, this is the link to the NHS website for your reference: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/meningitis/> Since 2015 the Meningococcal B (Men B) vaccine has been included in the national childhood immunisation programme and routinely given in infancy – if you have any questions please ask at your registered surgery.