

Newsletter

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A note from Mrs Peacock

I was very proud of our children last Friday at the Harrogate Charity Concert. They were excellent ambassadors for our school and along with the children from Kirkby they sang brilliantly. Over the final 2 weeks of this term we will be carrying out assessments in reading, writing and maths - this enables us to track the progress of our children and to identify any gaps in their learning. We really do value support from home with homework and spending time with your child - reading, doing homework and learning their times tables is time well spent. A short amount of time each day can make such a difference. School and home working together is so important and it was lovely to catch up with so many of you at our parents' evenings.

Charity Concert at the Royal Hall

Last Friday a group of us went to the Harrogate Royal Hall to take part in a concert to raise money for 'Fight Ependymoma' and 'Adversity United'. Each school sang a few songs of their own but we also joined together to sing three songs. It was a long and tiring day because not only did we have to rehearse until 6.30 so we were prepared for the concert, we didn't get home until midnight. Ellie, Amy and Oliver

Headteacher's Award

Porscha

...for always being ready to help around school.

Tiger Class

Olivia

...for working hard
to keep the
classroom tidy!

Panther Class

Ellie

...for superb mental
maths.

FIT2LEARN

Parents of children in Tiger Class should have received a letter about an exciting new club for children in Reception, Y1 and Y2 that we hope to start after the Easter break. Balance Bike Club will aim to teach children the fundamentals of balance, core stability, gross and fine motor skills and the essential confidence that comes with the process of learning a new life skill. No previous experience of riding a bike is necessary! All equipment, including helmet and balance bike, will be included. As with all our clubs, the cost of each session will be £3 per child (this is a reduced fee as the course will be subsidised from the sports premium grant). If you would like your child to take part, please register your interest by returning the slip to Mrs Umpleby.

Coming up this term...

Saturday 30th March

Community Spring Afternoon Tea

Monday 1st April

PM: Football tournament @ Outwood (Tigers)

Tuesday 2nd April

3.30-5pm Messy Church

Wednesday 10th April

PM: Y3&4 Tri-golf @ Outwood/Y5&6 Grisedale Fell Visit (Tigers' Forest School session)

Thursday 11th April

1.15pm Easter Service

2pm Break up for Easter

Friday 12th April

INSET Day - school closed

Monday 29th April

School re-opens

SWIMMING

Next Friday will be the last swimming session for the children in Years 3 and 4. They have really enjoyed their weekly visit to the swimming baths improving their swimming skills. Please could we remind parents that payment should now have been made on parent pay. As previously the cost of the weekly swimming session is subsidised by school.

FRIENDS PTA GROUP

Thank you to all who supported Wednesday's disco, particularly those parents who stepped up to help out at the last minute!

Look out for information about our Easter Challenge. If you would like an entry form, please send in £1 to be in with a chance of winning an Easter egg (see below).

Tuesday 9th April

Film Night (Peter Rabbit)

£5 to include pizza and popcorn

The next Friends PTA meeting will be held on **Wednesday 3rd April at 2.30pm**. All welcome.



Spring Community Afternoon Tea

Saturday 30th March

2-4pm

West Tanfield Memorial Hall

Full afternoon tea £6

Tea/coffee & Cake £3.50

If you know someone who would like afternoon tea delivered to their door, please contact Ruth Smirthwaite on 01677 470476 in advance.



Wishing everyone a lovely weekend!