



GOATHLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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7th May 2021

Dear Parents,

Parent Governor – Closing date for nominations have been extended to the 14th May. Parent governors play a vital role on governing bodies, holding the unique position of having a parental viewpoint of the school. Through the children, they have first hand experience of the delivery of the curriculum, and how the school is perceived. If you're still uncertain about what the role might entail please feel free to contact Mrs Isaac for an informal chat.



Our Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 1 winners proudly received their prizes for the Festival of Light art competition. Their entries will now be entered into the Diocesan wide competition where winners will be presented with prizes by the Archbishop of York.

Whole School Activities The children have continued participating in the online AmaSing music and dance activities each Thursday morning and are enjoying their swimming sessions at the Leisure Centre. Connecting with the wider community, they have all entered a competition to name the new crazy golf course at Northcliffe &



Diary Dates

14th April – School Swimming – Wednesday afternoons during this half term.

28th May - Half Term Break

8th June - Return to School

1st July - Forest School Survival Day

23rd July - Break up for Summer Holidays



Seaview Holiday Park, Hawsker. We will, of course, let you know if any of the children's entries are winners.

The whole school also spent an afternoon together, in mixed age teams, designing scarecrows for the upcoming Goathland Scarecrow Festival. They had some very creative ideas, so we now have designs for a fox, a hedgehog, a robot and even a Spiderman scarecrow! **We are aiming to build our scarecrows in the last week before half-term but will need some donations of old clothes to enable this to happen. Chicken wire, wood and straw may also be useful - so if you have any of these laying around that you would be happy to give us, please let Mrs Bordoli or Mrs Watson know. Thank you**

Base 1 I hope you have forgiven me for sending home our under the sea habitats with water!! We have been working hard in Maths to improve our knowledge of 2D and 3D shapes and symmetry. In Literacy, we have been practising using bossy verbs to write instructions. We are enjoying our Science topic about Living Things. We worked hard to learn about predators and their prey and were interested to find out which animals were omnivores, carnivores or herbivores. Our PSHE is focused on our bodies. So far, we have learned about healthy food, being active and asleep and that our bodies are ours. In Art, we have explored the work of various artists, including Piet Mondrian and Paul Klee. This has helped us explore colour, looking at warm and cool colours, colour mixing and making tints and shades. Our music has been focused on 'beat' and we have enjoyed exploring this using un-tuned percussion instruments. In ICT, we have begun to learn about Coding. We have enjoyed using simple codes to make actions happen. Following my Read Write Inc training, we have some new ways of learning phonics. Ask us how we learn tricky words! (The children thought I was a little crazy at first, but they love it now!!)

Base 2 In Literacy the children have been writing 'in character' as the orphan William who is entranced by the work of the Night Gardener. Their character diaries and recounts will be posted on Pobble next week so do have a look at your child's writing.

In science the children are learning about plant reproduction - fertilisation and pollination. As part of this the children are going to cook some plant-based food **next Monday afternoon so could they please bring in a plastic container with a lid** to enable them to bring their cooking home. The children have also researched the physical and human features of Antarctica and Australasia in their ongoing Geography work about the continents and collectively decided Mrs Bordoli would not survive the temperature at the south pole!

The Yr5/6 parents will be fully aware of the PSHE content this half-term - the children are taking it all in their stride! The Yr3 children are exploring peer pressure and discussing strategies to deal with both the positive and negative aspects of this.

In ICT the children have been using Espresso to learn about computer coding and are enjoying creating their own programmes.

Kind Regards,

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