



GOATHLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

*Believe you can
Together we will*



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21st January 2022

Diary Dates

- 10th Feb – North Yorkshire Police Visit – Online Safety
- 18th Feb – Break-up for Half Term
- 28th Feb – Return to School
- 1st or 2nd March – Eskdale Festival
- 4th March – Base 2 Hockey Coaching at WSF
- 25th March – Base 2 Cross Country
- 28th March – Base 1 Hatching Experience delivered
- 31st March – School Survival Day
- 1st April – Base 2 Netball at CCW
- 8th April – End of Spring Term
- 25th April – Return to School
- 2nd May – Bank Holiday
- 3rd May – Return to School
- 4th May - Year 3/4 Quad Kids
- 25th May – Base 2 Tennis at CCW

Dear Parents,

Base 1

In Literacy, we are continuing our work on fables and the older children have been using expanded noun phrases to describe characters from the stories. We have also focused on dialogue this week, so the Year 2s have been learning how to punctuate written speech while the reception children created a story tray and used toy figures and role play to pretend to be the different characters.



Mr Tyson (Local Authority School Advisor) watched our Literacy and phonics lessons on Tuesday. He was very impressed with our reading and phonic abilities. The children showed him how hard we work and they explained why and how we do things. I am so proud of you Base 1!

In Geography, we have begun to create fact files for the countries in the UK, we looked at England last week. We are learning what human and physical features are.

In PSHE, we are continuing our work on similarities and differences. In our last session, we explored how everyone is 'unique', even though there are similarities and differences between us.



Base 2

Base 2 have begun their Geography topic about Human land use, settlement and trade. Thus far they have found out that just over 10% of England is designated urban and almost 90% is considered rural. However, there are 3 different classifications of rural: Whitby would be regarded as semi-rural and Goathland accessible rural. The children have also explored farming in different areas of the UK and thought about how the topography of the land and the weather influences which crops are grown or animals reared.

Base 2 children are now Mini Medics after successfully completing their First Aid training on Thursday. Most importantly, the children learnt the importance of helping someone who is poorly or injured.



They have completed their D.T. project and built a variety of simple machines using pulleys and levers. Lots of practical problem solving was involved but in the end all the children's machines worked successfully and they enjoyed investigating each other's devices.

Our next D.T. project is about textiles and combines art and design. The children have begun designing individual panels for a class quilt cover which we hope to have completed by half-term. This project will extend the skills they learnt whilst making their felt art last term. A big thank you to Mrs Brown who is currently busy edging the separate panel backs for all the children.

In PSHE the children have been continuing to think about Similarities and Differences. Year 3 and 4 have thought about what respect looks, sounds and feels like, whilst the older children have been considering their individual strengths and their aims for both the near and distant future.

In Literacy the older children have now drafted their sequels to the book, Journey. On Tuesday this week, they read these to a very important visitor, Mr Tyson, our Local Authority School Advisor.

Mr Tyson was extremely impressed with both their writing and reading skills – well done girls.

Alongside learning about different types of verbs, the Yr3/4 children also impressed Mr Tyson with their reading, he commented on their super use of expression and said all the children were good enough to record audio books like those he listened to in his car!

Mrs Bordoli is very proud of all of you.



Swimming

The children are all enjoying their weekly trips to Whitby Leisure Centre. The more confident swimmers have begun learning lifesaving skills, whilst the middle group practice their swimming.

The youngest children are developing their water confidence by playing games and splashing about vigorously in the small pool.

From all the staff at Goathland

