



GOATHLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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7TH January 2022

Diary Dates

11th January – School Swimming Starts

14th Jan – Yr3/4 Multi skills at CCW

20th Jan – Mini Medics – Base 2

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,



It's a huge relief to be able to welcome all the children back to school this January and the staff wish all the families a very Happy New Year. Unfortunately, Covid is still spreading around the county so we need to continue being vigilant and will be maintaining all our cleaning procedures in school. On the positive side, the children have returned to school and are now so accustomed to sanitising that it doesn't disrupt their learning in any way.

Base 1 We have started our new Art project and already begun to explore weaving. We looked at other artists and how they use weaving in their work, then made the background of a sea placemat which we will decorate next week.

In Literacy, we have begun to explore Fables, our first fable is about a frog and scorpion. We enjoyed looking at facts about these creatures.

In Geography, we are focusing on the United Kingdom. We have learnt about UK countries, the capital cities and the seas that surround us.

Base 2 have leapt straight into their D.T. project and begun building simple machines using pulleys and levers. We may have some future inventors in our midst!

Our PSHE theme for this half-term is Similarities and Differences. Year 3



and 4 will be exploring the shared values of communities and the importance of respecting and valuing differences. The older children will be identifying and celebrating their strengths and those of their peers then setting themselves goals for the future.

In Literacy next week the older children will start planning a sequel to the Journey book we used as our text last term while the younger children focus on learning some important grammar rules.

Swimming The children will all be going to Whitby Leisure Centre on Tuesday afternoons for swimming lessons taught by members of staff from the leisure centre. Mrs Gallon will be on the poolside to support this. Mrs Bordoli will be in the small pool playing water confidence games with our youngest children. The children will all be returning to school afterwards. Please remember to send the children in with their swimming kit, a towel, a drink and a healthy snack.

SATs Busters, for Year 6, will begin after school next Monday from 3.15 to 4pm. This gives the older children additional time to address any specific test related concerns and will continue every week until further notice.

Eskdale Festival The Base 2 children are once again taking part in the Choral Speaking competition at Eskdale festival, which should take place on either Tuesday 1st or Wednesday 2nd of March. It would be wonderful if the parents could join us at the Spa to support the children. We will send out more precise information about dates and times when we have it.

