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Headteacher's Message



Hello

Today I am asking for a few minutes of your time, to help us by sharing your views please.

Here at Ralph Butterfield Primary School, we are passionate about school improvement; that is why I openly share our school development priorities with parents/carers and children (these can be viewed on our website: [click here](#)). It is really important to our school leaders, including the governing board, that children and parent/carers have their views heard, valued and considered, in the school development process. In this way, we can be sure that everyone in our community is working together with the common goal of supporting our children most effectively, with their personal development and academic progress.

Previously, we have had approximately one third of our parents/carers respond to our surveys; today I am asking if you would please help us by completing another survey and I would love to have as many parents/carers respond as possible. This time, it is an online survey very closely related to the questionnaire that you would receive from OFSTED, should we be inspected in the near future.

Having these responses will really help us to understand our current parent/carer view. I would therefore be very grateful if you could give us a few minutes of your time, by clicking on the link below and completing this survey for us.

[Please click here](#)

Thank you very much and I hope you have an enjoyable weekend.

Liz Clark



EYFS

This week the cress heads started to grow so we have sent them home so you can enjoy eating the cress and possibly having cress sandwiches! We continued our growing this week and the children planted wild flowers in the outdoor classroom and runner beans.

In Literacy this week the children did some story ordering linked to the story Jasper's beanstalk. In phonics this week the children went over previously learnt sounds and tricky words and used them in their reading and writing.

In our creative session this week we made something for Mother's day and they went home in their book bags on Thursday.



In maths the children having been making 10 in lots of different ways using numicon and 10 frames. We also created patterns in the outdoor classroom and we were focussing on patterns which used 2 objects or colours e.g. blue blue yellow or blue blue yellow red.



We hope the sunshine carries on into the weekend and we hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Miss Griffiths, Mrs Daniel, Mrs Greenwood, and the EYFS team.

Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2)

We've had a very exciting week this week in Key Stage One as we started to design our very own vehicles! First, we looked at the history of cars and how they have developed through the years. We found out that they haven't always had 4 wheels and run on petrol! Once we'd looked at lots of different cars, we set about designing our own. We thought about the materials we would need as well as the mechanism that would help the wheels to turn. We learnt lots of new vocabulary including; axle, chassis, dowel and axle holder. Everyone has done a super job on making their designs come to life and we can't wait to put the finishing touches on them next week.



We have enjoyed mixing our PSHE learning with our English this week as we have written non-chronological reports about our parent visits. Last week we were very lucky to have Mr Crundwell come in to tell us all about being a telecommunications engineer and this week Mrs Cameron came in to tell us all about her career as a dentist and the skills she needs. From this we used our English skills to write up the visits making sure we used our question and exclamation sentences as well as adverbs, adjectives and conjunctions!

As always, please do come and see us if you have any questions. We hope you have a lovely weekend in the sunshine!



Mrs Robinson, Mrs Atkinson and Mrs Reeves.



Lower Key Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4)

In art this week, the children have continued to be inspired by Georgia O'Keeffe's work and sketched their own flowers on a large scale. The children's observational skills were fantastic and the detailed fine lines that they used really brought the shape of the flower alive. We can't wait to see what they look like when they paint them with water colours next week.



This week in English, we have linked our writing to our Geography topic 'Rivers Deep, Mountains High' and the children have been learning lots of fascinating facts about the River Nile, River Thames and the River Amazon and created detailed factual paragraphs, showing off their knowledge of the writing features included in non-fiction texts.

During our Geography lesson this week, the children have put their research skills into practise and used the internet and fact files to find out about different mountains such as Mount Fuji. We are all looking forward to using the information that we discovered about the mountains location, climate, habitats and what the mountain is used for to create our own informative mountain leaflets next week.



Well done Year 3 & 4, another amazing week!

Please do come and speak to us if you have any questions or queries.

Wishing you all a fantastic weekend.

Miss Hodgson, Mr Taylor, Mr Bennett and Miss Clapham.

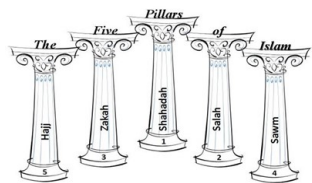


Upper Key Stage 2 (Years 5 & 6)



We all thoroughly enjoyed our trip to Joseph Rowntree School to watch their amazing performance of Chitty Chitty Bang Bang. Both children and staff watched the performance with awe and wonder. It was lovely to identify and watch former pupils of Ralph Butterfield Primary School.

This week in English we have started to learn about Myths and Legends. The children have enjoyed listening to and reading a variety of myths. Next week, they will begin to identify the necessary features of mythical writing in order to begin writing their own.



In RE, the children looked at the Shahadah in more depth and learnt about the story of Bilal, the first Muezzin. The pupils worked together to consider what mattered most to Bilal.

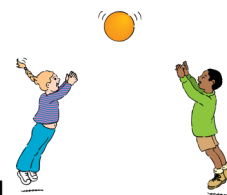
Please contact us or speak to us directly if you have any questions or concerns.

Mr Daniel, Mrs Stephenson, Mr Tod and Mrs Walker.



Midday Supervisory Assistant Vacancy

We currently have a fantastic opportunity for somebody who would be enthusiastic about providing our children with enjoyable, positive lunchtime experiences as part of our wonderful midday supervisory team. It would be great if you could help us spread the word about this vacancy so that we can find the perfect candidate. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact the school office.



Snippets from the Log Books of Ralph Butterfield School



24th March 1933 – Lendal Bridge lit up for the VE Day celebrations.





Parvin Quiz Night



LAST CHANCE TO BOOK TICKETS...we have just 4 tables left!

Please email Ralphbutterfield.pta@gmail.com for tickets and details of how to pay.

It will be great social evening with friends or family or to meet other parents at school.

School Disco



Get your dancing shoes on for our school disco on **Thursday 31st March**

It will cost **£3 per child**, which includes a bag of tuck shop sweets and a drink for all years. Discos will take place at the following times:

Reception, Year 1 & 2	4.30 - 5.30pm
Years 3 & 4	5.45 - 6.45pm
Years 5 & 6	7.00 - 8.00pm

There will be a small selection of glow bands (20p each) at the ticket desk, which can be purchased as children arrive.

Please see the **Disco letter for full details**

Sponsor a Book Appeal

It has been quite a tricky task choosing over 180 new books for all year groups, so school have taken a little longer than anticipated making sure we get the right ones.

As soon as the new books are delivered, we will get book templates positioned with names and arrange for photos to be taken for the certificates. Apologies for the delay.



Happy Healthy Holidays

When: Monday 11th – Thursday 14th April 2022
(5-13 year olds)

Where: Huntington Secondary School YO32 9WT

Time: 10am to 3pm

Refreshments: Water, snacks and packed lunch will be provided

Who: Families eligible for free school meals living in York



FOUNDATION



How to book: Enter the following code HHH2022 at https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/yorkcity/york-city-courses/multi_activity.html

This secures your space and means you are COMMITTED to attend all course dates. Spaces are LIMITED with bookings closing Monday 28th March 4pm.

These FREE Holiday courses are designed to give young people the opportunity to get active this school holiday. Please note that if you booked onto our last holiday course and did not take up your space we reserve the right to withhold this booking.



TIME OUT FOR PARENTS: HANDLING ANGER IN THE FAMILY

4 Tuesday sessions

Starting 3rd May

9:30-11:30

St Edwards Church

Tadcaster Road

YO24 1QG



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This course, led by trained facilitators, will help you to better understand, recognise and manage anger in your family and give you the chance to share your own thoughts and ideas. You will quickly see you're not alone!

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