

25th September 2020

Dear Parents,

Newsletter

Love of Reading

At Lealholm we love to read. Reading comes in a range of forms. We are looking to collect a display of all our children (and parents/siblings) reading in a variety of places. The more extreme the better. Children could be reading on a tractor, on a horse (safely) or in a tent! Please send your photos via email to:

admin.lealholm@yeat.co.uk

Jack & the Beanstalk

This winner of our reading initiative last week was Chloe W. This week's winner is: Xavier.

The Junior Class

We have had another extremely busy week! In English we have continued with our invention explanation writing. The children have thought of some amazing inventions to help people during the coronavirus pandemic - if only their inventions existed, all our Covid problems would be solved! We have continued working very hard in Maths, practising our times tables daily and working on place value. During our History lesson this week we imagined we were Stone Age hunter gatherers and thought about what our threats and assets would be in order for us to survive in the Stone Age. DT was lots of fun on Wednesday, we continued our healthy sandwich project and this week sampled various different spreads we might use on our bread. As well as all this, we have kept ourselves very active all week - we have completed our daily 5 exercises every morning and afternoon, our mindfulness yoga on Monday afternoon and our golf PE session with Lewis yesterday!

The Infant Class

This week the infants have been creating wanted posters for many different characters - we are becoming experts in using adjectives! Reception have been looking at matching in maths, they have been on some matching treasure hunts which they have enjoyed. In PE all of the children practised the skill of dribbling and had another session of tri-golf with Lewis. The children enjoyed another lesson with Mrs

Scholey, looking closely at Scotland this week, they even got to wear a kilt! We held our school council vote this week where the children read out their own application in assembly, well done to Isaac and Emily for being nominated. We have really enjoyed completing 5-a-day each morning and afternoon, 5 minute exercise videos to get the children moving, they love it! Another great week of learning for the infants.

5-a-day Fitness

Please remember you can log onto our 5-a-day Fitness programme at home www.5-a-day.tv. Details have been emailed

Stars of the Week

Junior - Florence for being so brave and continuing to try so hard even with a broken arm. She even managed to get all her times tables correct using her left hand!

Infant - Harley for being a really good listener and waiting to take his turn - good patience! Also for joining in with everything we do in class - great work.

Junior class team points

Red -Rose
Yellow- Lucas
Blue- Bradley
Green - Florence

Infant team Points

Red - Olivia
Yellow - Fern
Blue - Daniel
Green - Oliver


Cricket Award

Well done to Chloe for receiving an award from Castleton Cricket Club for her commitment and performance in the under 14 cricket team throughout 2020.

School Council

Well done to the following children who were chosen to represent their year group in the school council. Our first meeting will take place next week.

Y1 Emily
Y2 Isaac
Y3 Chloe S



Y4 Bradley
Y5 Xavier
Y6 Florence

Newspaper/Computer Club

On Thursday 1st October Miss Storr and Miss Calvert will be starting a lunch time computer/coding club 12.30 - 1.00 pm. Children will be using a range of skills to write a newspaper about school events which will be published each half term. This club will only be available to KS2 pupils.

Forest School

On Mondays we may, weather permitting, have a Forest School session in our school garden. Would you please send **wellies, waterproof coat and a clean change of clothes** (just in case) with your child every Monday.

Music Sessions

Mrs Lillie came into school on Friday to deliver her first set of music lessons. It is vital for good progress to be made that pupils practise between lessons. Parents are asked to encourage playing of the instrument and this can be recorded in the practice notebook.

PE kits

On Monday and Thursday both classes will have PE children will need to come in to school in their **clean** PE kits on these days. Please ensure the kit is suitable for outdoor or indoor wear. Trainers will need to be worn rather than plimsolls. Please ensure that the school uniform PE kit is worn.

Labelling Uniform

Please ensure that all items of school clothing is clearly labelled with your child's name.

Flu Immunisation Date

The flu immunisation programme on will be delivered:

Monday 23rd November 2020

If you would like your child to receive this immunisation, please ensure your consent form has been submitted on line no later than **25/10/2020**

Plans for possible school closure

Whilst we hope that our school will be able to remain open, we need to be prepared for closure in the event of a confirmed case of covid-19.

We have therefore agreed as a staff how we will continue to teach our pupils in the case of either teacher absence or school closure. Full details will be sent out next week but I can now provide you with an overview.

We are currently setting up individual pupil iPads, which we will send home with pupils in the case of school closure. Learning tasks will be set via Class Dojo and children will have the opportunity to practise using it in school. We will also send out instructions for parents and a list of other apps and activities that children can access.

In order to set learning tasks, we will need to create individual pupil logins on Class Dojo. **If you do not consent to setting up a pupil login, please let Mrs Ward know** via headteacher.lealholm@yeat.co.uk

Covid-19 Symptoms

The main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are:

- a high temperature - this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough - this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste - this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Please limit what your child brings into school. Due to Covid-19 restrictions they should only have essentials with them i.e.: coat, medication, book bag with reading book and homework book when applicable.

If you have any concerns or queries please phone or email to arrange an appointment. At the moment parents are unable to come into school without prior appointment.

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Yours sincerely

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