

Key Stage Two News

19th January 2018

Year 3

What a fabulous week we have had! The children have worked incredibly hard this week unpicking multi-step multiplication and division problems. They have really impressed me with their reasoning and how they can find all possible solutions by working systematically. In English we have been exploring formal and informal language, specifically focusing on the use of humour to engage a younger audience. Next week we will be writing our historical news reports about The Battle of Hastings and starting to perform them as 'Horrible History' news reports. To support your child at home please practise their weekly spellings on a daily basis and make sure that their planners are signed every time they read. Thank you for your continued support.

Year 4

In Year 4 we have been handwriting and editing our Science Fiction stories, ready to be mounted on our class Iron Man! Next week we will be studying explanation texts and deciding what features they should have. In Maths we have been solving area problems and have also improved our recall of times tables using 'Times Table Rockstars' (which can be accessed and played at home too!). Next week we will start looking at fractions using concrete resources.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 18th January – Cluster Gymnastic competition **Friday 19th January** – Celebration Assembly, all welcome.

Tuesday 6th February – Dance Festival @ Galtres Centre Easingwold

Monday 12th February – Half Term



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Year 5

This week in English we have been researching and recording information about another culture, focussing our search on South African culture. In maths we have been converting between improper fractions and mixed numbers and finding equivalent fractions. We enjoyed out trip to Tesco learning about caring for our planet through responsible sourcing of foods. We also learnt about cocoa and whether it was a sustainable crop. Next week we will continue our work on fractions and begin to plan and write our own stories from different cultures. To support your child at home, please listen to them read as often as you can. Who will be able to read 5 times this week?

Year 6

In year 6 we have been working hard on our reading this week. As a class we are reading 'Varjak Paw' a novel by S. F. Said and we have been concentrating on exploring new vocabulary and answering inferential questions. Please check children's planners to see their individual records of progress and areas to work on.

In maths we have been learning about decimal numbers and have been practicing how to use formal methods to solve calculations involving decimal numbers. As part of our topic work we have been investigating the circulatory system and finding out the impact of exercise on our heart rate.

If you need to contact any of the class teachers in KS2 you can find us on the playground after school, alternatively you can send us an email ...

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Star of the Week

Yr5 - Matthew and Nathan for reading a challenging text confidently to the whole class.

Year 4 - Leah-Rose, for great work calculating the areas of shapes.

Martyna - for fantastic reasoning and effort in maths.