

# Newsletter

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## A note from Mrs Peacock

Next week our Y6 children will be sitting their SATs. They have all worked so hard this year and are really well prepared. Each of them is unique with lots of different skills and talents to offer, we are very proud of all of them. Hopefully they will have a restful weekend to prepare for them and plenty of sleep. I am sure they will all shine.



Next week is also National Walk to School Week - although it is tricky for some children to walk to school, we do encourage those who come by car to join in too by parking in the village hall car park and walking up to school.

## Headteacher's Award

**Paul**

...for being really helpful and thoughtful.

## Hedgehog Appreciation Prickly Pals Yorkshire...

...or HAPPY for short is an organisation which rescues hedgehogs. On Wednesday, we welcomed Peter who came to tell us about some of the work that he and his wife, Jacqui, do. Edie reports: I asked Mrs Hatch if we could support this cause after hearing about hedgehogs being caught in traps from my grandma. We are members of the British Hedgehog Society. Mrs Hatch organised for Peter to come in to talk to us about hedgehogs. He showed us some of the food that hedgehogs eat: mealworms, cat food or dog food, and explained that if we find a hedgehog outside during the day we should call a hedgehog rescue person and then bring it indoors until someone arrives to collect it. He let some of us hold a hedgehog called Mr Pines and showed us how we could stroke it from its head to its tail. Please turn over to see a photograph.



Tiger Class  
**Eva**  
...for tackling challenges with determination.

Jaguar Class  
**Amy**  
...for showing a mature attitude across school.

Lion Class  
**Ellie**  
...for putting in a huge amount of effort for her SATs revision.

## Watercolour Masterclass

The KS2 children were very grateful to Mr Weld who came in to school on Wednesday to teach a watercolour masterclass. Daisy W reports: I enjoyed learning how to paint using watercolours. I tried to make the paint lighter by putting more water with it and darker by putting less water with it. We all tried to copy a landscape painting that Mr Weld had done.



## Coming up this term...

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May**  
SATS Week

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May**

Y3/4 Tennis at Ripon Tennis Centre

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**

3.30 - 5pm Messy Church

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May**

Y5/6 Tennis at Ripon Tennis Centre

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May**

Break up for Half Term

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June**

School re-opens

KS2 Cross Country @ Newby Hall

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June**

Kwik Cricket for Y4/5/6

## Tri-Golf Update

Congratulations to James who has been awarded the 'Passion' wristband for trying hard to get a score of five every time in last week's tri-golf event. To be selected from children across all schools is a great achievement.

## Family Worship

All welcome at this Sunday's family service at St Nicholas Church at 9.30am. Many thanks to all children who have volunteered to help at the service. Reverend Cleeves invites you to bring old magazines and newspapers to be cut up to make a collage!

## Ripon Ambassadors' News

Ellie M reports: Yesterday the ambassadors went to Fountains Abbey to have a meeting with all the other ambassadors from other schools. We discussed a project called the Ripon Arts Festival. We planned where we are going to do our section and we decided that it could take place in the Chapter House. We thought that the audience would be able to sit on the steps. Thanks to Mrs Hatch for taking us (and putting her roof down on the car journey back so we could enjoy the sunshine!).



**10 year Anniversary  
Event in memory of  
'Becca'**

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May  
Village Hall, West Tanfield

'Becca's Walk' starting at 11am, 7 mile sponsored walk starting in West Tanfield, please meet at the Village Hall. Breakfast rolls and drinks will be served from 9am, scones/refreshments will be served after the walk

### Family Fun

1pm - 4pm

Bouncy Castle  
Inflatable Slide  
Face Painting  
Guess the name of the teddy  
How many sweets in the Jar  
Tombola  
Raffle  
Cake Stall  
Local Craft Fair  
Refreshments

### Evening Entertainment

7pm - late

Bar Raffle Buffet  
DJ Auction

£2 per ticket, available from West Tanfield village shop.

**Everyone is  
welcome!**

For more information please call Andrew on 07971515345  
or Claire on 07730909757

*'Taking steps to create awareness about Domestic Abuse, to raise much needed funds for IDAS and to keep 'Becca's' memory alive!'*

(Reg. Charity no. 1102337)



**Wishing everyone a lovely weekend!**