

Newsletter

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A note from Mrs Peacock

The children had a great time celebrating the Royal Wedding with fun and festivities in school last Friday.

We are all looking forward to the half term holiday. Next half term will be a busy one! It starts with the Cross Country event at Newby Hall for KS2 on Monday June 4th and gets even busier with so many exciting events to fit in.

We have seen an increase in requests for holidays in term time. May I take this opportunity to remind you that we can only authorise holidays in term time for exceptional circumstances. Absence during term time interrupts a child's education and disrupts their teaching & learning.

The forecast is for warm, sunny weather so I am sure we are all going to make the most of our week's holiday!!

Messy Church

A huge thank you to the clergy and helpers from both the Anglican and Methodist churches for organising Tuesday's Messy Church. It was great to see so many children from across the age-range (from nursery right up to Y6!) all joining together to participate in a range of activities. There was a lovely atmosphere in the hall and a lot of fun was had by all (adults and children alike!). A particular thank you to Catherine who is the youth worker from the Methodist Church who led this term's session, including a fascinating demonstration of her magic cloth!!



Headteacher's Award

Charlie (Y6)

...for his appreciative gesture for the kindness of others

Tiger Class
Hermione
...for impressing us with her progress in all areas.

Jaguar Class
Millie
...for listening to advice to improve her learning.

Lion Class
Christian
...for great calculator work.

Tennis

On Thursday afternoon it was the turn of a squad of older KS2 children to take part in a tennis tournament at Ripon Tennis Centre.

Yesterday, three teams from Y5/6 went to Ripon Tennis Centre to play in a tournament. We played other schools from the area. Two of our teams came second in their group and one of our teams came fourth. Olivia won all her matches and lots of us won three out of four. It was a really enjoyable activity. Thank you to Mrs Sharp, Ms Goddard and Mrs Smirthwaite for their help.

Jane Brennan

Coming up this term...

Friday 25th May

3.25 Break up for Half Term

Monday 4th June

School re-opens

KS2 Cross Country @ Newby Hall

Tuesday 5th June

Kwik Cricket for Y4/5/6

HOLIDAY FUN....

Half-term Flea Circus...

...at Ripon Workhouse Museum!

Monday - Friday 11am- 4pm

Paupers often arrived at the Workhouse with a collection of mites and fleas to be de-infested. The Victorians were fascinated by performing fleas and there were many travelling circuses where these miniature mites performed feats of strength and skill! Come along to the Workhouse this half term for amazing tales of flea circuses packed with special activities including dress your own flea, bake a circus animal biscuit and beat the lion tamer. Take part in circus games, watch Punch and Judy and follow the flea circus trail (with a treat when complete). All activities included with the cost of admission. (Note - there will be no real fleas present!)

Cross Country at Newby Hall

The children in KS2 will be taken to Newby Hall by coach. Unless we have heard from you with other instructions we will be expecting you to collect your child from Newby Hall at 3pm. We are very grateful for your help as without it the children would not have been able to attend this eagerly anticipated event.

FOREST SCHOOL

Please can we remind you that your child needs a change of clothes, suitable footwear and an outdoor coat when the weather is cool or wet.

CLUBS

Letters have now gone out to existing club members about arrangements for next half-term and we ask that payments are made via ParentPay prior to the first session please. Our programme of clubs continues to be:

Monday - Code Club (KS2)

Wednesday - Art Club (Y5/6)

Thursday - Multisport (Y1 - Y6)

Friday - Cricket (KS2)

If your child would like to attend a club, please get in touch for further details.

Powell Multisports and Fun Club

Mr Powell will be running his usual holiday club each week day during half-term (except Bank Holiday Monday) 9am - 3pm/4pm at St Wilfrid's School, Ripon. £14/16 per day. For further information, please contact Keith Powell on 07882 173207.

Ripon Community Toy Library

Thursdays 10am - 12 noon

Community House, Allhallowgate, Ripon
for children 0-9 years old and their families and carers.

Stay and play and/or borrow toys and play equipment to take home.

Wishing everyone a lovely half-term break!