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A note from Mrs Peacock

Last Friday Mrs Harris and I accompanied ten children from St. Nicholas to the 'Save the Children' Concert in Harrogate. Together with children from Kirkby we performed four songs as a partnership choir and joined in a mass choir of eleven schools to perform a further 3 songs. It was amazing - I was so proud of our children who were great ambassadors for school. Well done to all of them.

I am looking forward to seeing you at our Easter Service - everyone is welcome and it will be a super way to end the term. It has been a very busy term and eventful term - with snow days! I am sure you will want to join me in thanking all of the staff for their hard work and commitment to our school. Have a lovely holiday- we hope we will have some warmer weather to enjoy!

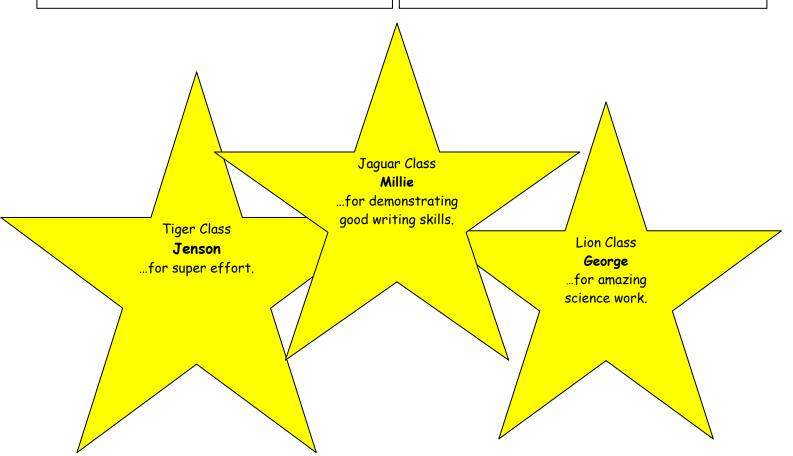
Headteacher's Award Christian

...for impressive work in all areas of the curriculum.

SPRING FAYRE

It was lovely to see so many families enjoying Tuesday's Spring Fayre. Many thanks to the Friends of St Nicholas for organising the event which has raised £127.50 for our school. Congratulations to Ellie, Emmerson and Herbie for their winning entries in the Easter bonnet competition and well done to all who took part - there were some fantastic creations! Thanks to Mr Parkinson for judging - it wasn't an easy decision!





Sports Relief Update

Our congratulations go to Jake whose entry in our competition for Sports Relief has won him £31!! Jake guessed that Jonnie Peacock would achieve 10,000 steps, very close to actual total of 9,115 steps!

Bus Concerns

We are aware that some parents have been concerned about children's safety on the bus. We have spoken with both NYCC and Proctors, who are using their tracking system to look into the situation. We have reminded the children that they must fasten their seatbelt as soon as they board the bus and keep it fastened for the duration of the journey. At the end of the school day, a member of staff always ensures that seatbelts are fastened. The advice is that any parents who have concerns can report them to NYCC Schools Transport.

KS2 Orienteering

On Monday afternoon the KS2 children participated in an orienteering event at Outwood Academy in Ripon.

Charlie and Edie report:

When we got there, we went straight onto the field and got into age groups. We were grouped with children of a similar age from other local schools. One group did solo orienteering, and some children had a dibber attached to their finger which they had to put into some holes by following a map. Some children didn't use their map but just ran around looking for them! There were winners in each age group. St Nicholas came third. It was amazing and everyone worked really well as a team. We would like to thank Mrs McNamara and Mrs Watson who came along to help.

Coming up this term...

Thursday 29th March

1.15 Easter Service @ St Nicholas Church 2pm Break up for Easter*

Monday 16th April

Staff Training Day - SCHOOL CLOSED

Tuesday 17th April

School re-opens for the summer term

*NB We shall finish the spring term TODAY with our Easter Service at St Nicholas Church. Please collect your child(ren) from the church at 2pm. A member of staff will escort any children travelling on the bus to the Bull Inn car park to board the bus.

Powell Multisports and Fun Club

Running each day during the holidays (except Bank Holidays) 9am - 3pm/4pm at St Wilfrid's School, Ripon. £14/16 per day. For further information, please contact Keith Powell on 07882 173207.

PTA News

Many thanks to everyone who has supported our events this term. We have raised money for our school as well as having lots of fun along the way!

We are now looking ahead to the summer term and would like to invite you to join us for our next PTA meeting on Tuesday 24th April at 3.30pm. If you are unable to make it but would still like to offer help, please let us know. There will be a disco for the children on Tuesday 1st May 3.30-5pm. Also 'Tuck Shop' Fridays will be running after celebration assembly: Fruit kebabs £1, milkshakes £1, soft drinks 50p and assorted sweets.

Y6 SATs Revision

By now, your child should have shown you the SATs Revision Pack that they have been given along with a letter to parents/carers. Please do take the time to read the letter from Mrs Hatch with a full explanation.

Wishing everyone a lovely Easter break!