



# Romanby Newsflash

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## Growing Up in North Yorkshire 2016 Headlines

We have now had the results of data collected from children in the vast majority of schools in North Yorkshire during Summer 2016. The findings for our school and children show some very pleasing results when compared to the overall survey findings. It is especially pleasing to see the impact of work we have done throughout school being reflected in the results.

The survey was commissioned by the North Yorkshire Children's Trust to collect reliable information about children's learning and well-being. This is the sixth survey completed since 2006 and was completed online by Y6 children and on paper with adult support by children in Y2.

### Y2 (4692 children)

- More parents read their child a bedtime story
- Less children feel scared to be at school because of other children (this is an improved trend since 2014)
- More children said they have lessons about online safety

### Y6 (4432 children)

- More children enjoy physical activities (this is a 10% improved trend since 2014)
- More children enjoy PE lessons
- More children eat fruit and vegetables
- More children know about how their body changes as they grow up (this is an improved trend since 2014)
- More children are happy about growing up and body changes
- More children find lessons on emotional health and wellbeing useful
- Less children experienced negative behaviour at playtimes
- Less children have been bullied at or near school in the last 12 months (this is a 16% improved trend since 2014)
- More children think that school deals with bullying well (24% improved trend since 2014)
- 11% more children think school takes bullying seriously than in 2014

- More children found lessons about bullying useful
- More children have a high level of resilience
- More children learn from their experiences for next time if something goes wrong (20% improved trend since 2014)
- 95% of children responded that they are asked for their ideas and opinion about what happens in school (62% overall in the survey). A 16% improved trend since 2014
- More children think that their opinions make a difference to the decisions that are made about their learning in school (28% higher than overall in the survey)
- More children think that there are things that they can be proud of
- On average children have a higher score on the Children's Wellbeing Scale and more children had a high or maximum score (32% improved trend since 2014)

## Have you got Maths Eyes?

In school we have started to use "Have you got Maths Eyes?" to help develop questioning and problem solving. Have a look at this website to see how you can help your child understand Maths in a different way.

<http://www.haveyougotmathseyes.com/>

## Child/Family/Teacher meetings

This term the meetings have been scheduled for before the half term break and will be on Monday 13th February and Tuesday 14th February. Details about these meetings are included with this email.

## Our Swimming Gala Year 5/6

On Friday 13th of January eight pupils of year 5/6 went to Northallerton Leisure Centre for a swimming gala. The children who took part were: Harry B, Elizabeth, Harry D, Lucy, Robbie, Lilia, Fin and Abbie. We had a brilliant time and we brought back lots of medals. In the overall results we came 3rd!

Written by Harry D and Elizabeth C

See a picture of us at the end of this Newsletter



### **Awesome athletics rewarded with silver medals!**

Our Y5/6 athletics team competed in the indoor competition at Hambleton Leisure Centre on Thursday. We had a brilliant time and came second with 208 points, so we qualified for the Area Finals next week in Easingwold. It was a mixture of sprint relays and field events, but we all had to do well together for the team. It was a brilliant atmosphere and lots of cheering from our team mates and parents got us through the challenging events. We are so proud of our silver medals!

By Connie and Taylor.

### **500 word challenge**

As you may have heard, the 500 word challenge competition is now open for 2017. Please visit the following link for more information:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/50pnqLfDywb9CFxjNvth5l0/about-500-words>

If your child does decide to enter, it would be great to see their work. Please feel free to print off a copy and send into school, so they can share with their class.

### **World Book Day**

Advance Notice - World Book Day is on Thursday 2nd March. I will send out a letter outlining our events for the day nearer the time, but I thought you would appreciate notice as we would like the children to dress up as their favourite book character on that day.

Mrs Patterson

### **Safer Internet Day**

National Safer Internet Day is Tuesday 7th February and we will be taking part in a range of activities throughout the day in school. Our assembly will be based upon this too. The link below is for parents and children to complete an online quiz about internet safety.

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2017/safer-internet-day-2017-quiz>

### **School Disco**

The date for the next disco will be Friday 3rd March. More details to follow.

### **Tea Towels**

We still have a number of tea towels that were ordered through Friends of Romanby School to collect from the office. If you have ordered tea towels, please collect as soon as possible.

### **Jammin' with Joolz**

Friday 10th March 2017

Northallerton Town Cricket Club, Romanby

7.00pm - 11.00pm

After the success of last year's Jammin with Joolz we're going to do it again. For anyone who hasn't heard about it then here goes: the hugely talented Mr Form brings along a selection of drums and percussion instruments; there is a bar; great company and great music. If you want to you can join in and find your inner musical talent but taking part is optional.

Tickets cost £4.00 each (due to limited space this is an adult event only).

All money raised goes to help purchase music/art material for Romanby School.

Bring friends and family for a night out with a difference. Let Sarah Gardiner, Tracey Flint or the office know if you want tickets.

### **Dinner Money/ParentPay**

If you are not paying for dinners on ParentPay please could you ensure that cheques are paid in on a Monday morning for the weeks dinners, cheques payable to NYCC Romanby School BAFs A/C. If you are paying on ParentPay please could you ensure that your account is kept up to date and you are not sending your child for a school dinner when in arrears. If a child continues to take dinners when in arrears you will be asked to provide him/her with a packed lunch. To pay for school meals on ParentPay, parents need to click 'Pay for items', then 'View details and pay' after topping up My Account.

### **Child Collecting at end of Day**

If your child is to be collected by another person at the end of the school day you only need to contact the school office to inform them if this person is not one of the regular people who would collect your child. If the teacher is familiar with this person there is no need to contact school.

### **Parking outside the school**

If you are dropping your child off or picking them up by car please ensure you are parking sensibly and not blocking any residents driveways. We have received a complaint from a resident that this is happening on a regular basis.

### **School Calendar**

Please click on the following link for all up and coming events in school:

<http://romanby.n-yorks.sch.uk/home/calendar/>

### **Stars of the Week**

Congratulations to the following children who received "Star of the Week" awards in our last two Friday celebration assemblies:

Rec/Y1 RA Scarlett, William, James, India

Rec LH Avleen, Alfie, Joshua, Aiden

Y1/2 DP Joseph, Erin, Benjamin, Ophelia

Y1/2 SW/HC Maisie, Lucy, Maisie, Lenisha

Y3/4 RO Poppy, Jayden, Madison, Victoria

Y3/4 ES Eddie, Likoji, Samara, Sophie

Y3/4 SB Isabelle, Layla, Evie, Seth

Y5/6 DW Brooke, Luca, Harry, Ellie, Isaac

Y5/6 JW/LH Kaya, Lincoln, Lewis, Lucy

Y5/6AA Lillia, Carter, Kenzi, Thomas

### **House Teams**

Each week the team points awarded by staff are added up and the winning team announced in our Friday assembly. The scores so far are:

Red Dragons— 3

Blue Sharks— 5

Green Geckos— 4

Yellow Lions—2

### **Date of Next Newsletter**

The next Newsletter will be w/c 6th February 2017. Any contributions by lunchtime Tuesday 7th February 2017 please.

