



Romanby Primary School Newsletter

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Y3/4 visit to Saltburn

The children in Year 3/4 had a fantastic day on their trip to Saltburn last Wednesday. They had the best time creating art inspired by Andy Goldsworthy, having a paddle in the sea and ended the day with a British seaside classic ... a 99 with a flake!

London Visit

Last week some of the Y6 children took part in a residential visit to London. Over the three days they visited the Natural History Museum, the Science Museum and took a flight on the London Eye. They also went on a tour around the Houses of Parliament and walked around Buckingham Palace, Whitehall, Chinatown, Hyde Park and Trafalgar Square. One of the main highlights was going into Downing Street where they met with Rishi Sunak for a question and answer session. The children asked some fantastic questions! They then went to the theatre and enjoyed the spectacular production of The Lion King. A lot of learning was packed into a short period and it was also great to receive some lovely comments about their good behaviour over the visit.



Art workshop



On Friday 24th June, we welcomed artist Kate Smith to school to do workshops with Y1/2 children and an advanced workshop with some KS2 artists. Kate taught the children to sketch and paint a brightly coloured boat following her style and techniques including creating the reflection in the water using sticks and palette knives. It was fabulous for the children to learn from a professional artist and everyone enjoyed their workshop. After school, parents were able to visit the 'gallery' of



work in the hall. See the school Facebook for pictures of this experience and visit <https://www.katesmithart.co.uk/> to see more of Kate's work.

Treasure Island

On Tuesday last week the children thoroughly enjoyed an engaging and magical cinematic theatre performance of 'Treasure Island' from @MandMTheatrical. It felt like our school hall had been transformed into an interactive cinema!

Tesco Community Grant

Following an application in September, Romanby School are in the customer vote for a Tesco Community Grant!

This is a scheme which gives community projects grants of up to £1,500.

Voting is open from 1st July - 1st September and if you are a Tesco customer you can vote for Romanby Primary School using the blue token given to you at the checkout each time you shop. You can also help yourself to a token at the self-serve checkouts. The tokens will decide how much funding we get, more tokens mean more funding! Voting is available at the Northallerton and Bedale stores.

Funds raised from this grant will help develop a much-needed outdoor learning area for the Y1/2 children. Please support us next time you shop at Tesco!

Summer Reading Challenge

Children are invited to discover the amazing science and innovation behind the world around them as part of this year's Summer Reading Challenge with the theme Gadgeteers.

North Yorkshire libraries and the Reading Agency is running the challenge for children aged 4 to 11, encouraging them to read six library books over the summer holiday period.

Gadgeteers aims to show children that science is all around them, and helps them with whatever they love doing. To take part children need to sign up at their nearest library where they will be given a colourful fold out poster showing the setting for this year's Challenge - an imaginary community centre.

As they read their chosen books, they will receive stickers (some scratch & sniff!) and can use them to help the Gadgeteers come up with great inventions for an amazing summer party at the centre. There are more free incentives to collect along the way and those who complete the Challenge will receive a medal and a certificate to celebrate their achievement.

Children can choose from a vast range of books at the library or download them as an eBook from the catalogue. There are loads of fantastic new books about science and inventions but they can choose any six library books to count towards the challenge.

There will also be lots of great events in our libraries throughout the summer, including junk modelling, Lego sessions, science workshops, art and craft sessions, storytelling and theatre performances to name but a few! Look out for more details in libraries, on local library Facebook pages and on flyers coming home.

The Challenge starts on Saturday 16th July and finishes on Saturday 10th September



FSM changes to applications

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[Synergy - Enquiry \(northyorks.gov.uk\)](http://northyorks.gov.uk)

FEAST

FEAST brings the fun to the school holidays, offering loads of different activities for everyone to take part in.

All children and young people across North Yorkshire can get involved in a range of sessions, with free places and a free lunch for children and young people on benefits-related Free School Meals.

There is so much to choose from – come and take a look at what's on at <https://northyorkshiretogether.co.uk/feast>

The FEAST programme is provided by North Yorkshire Together, commissioned by North Yorkshire County Council and funded by the Department for Education.

If you have any questions at all, please contact hello@northyorkshiretogether.co.uk

Broader help with the cost of living

There is now more information on the government's dedicated website, where you can find out about the broader cost of living support available.

[Cost of Living Support – Get government support to help with the cost of living](#)

Safe and Well Visits from North Yorkshire Fire Service

If you would like to book a visit for North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue service to come and visit your home and offer fire safety advice including:

- How to reduce and prevent fires
- Looking at possible fire risks in the home
- Advice on bedtime routines to help keep you safe at night
- Helping you think about an escape plan
- Checking you have working smoke alarms and know how to test them

They can also offer advice about health and wellbeing. This may include where to find advice and support on:

- Giving up smoking
- Avoiding falls
- Keeping your home warm

Diary Dates

- 12th July Open Evening 3.30pm – 6.00pm
- 13th July Transition Day, New Reception children visit
- 14th July Transition Day, New Reception children visit
- 15th July Transition Day, New Reception children visit
- 19th July Y5/6 Mexican Festival
- 20th July Y6 Leavers Assembly
- 21st July EYFS/KS1 Visit to HMS Trincomalee
- 22nd July Last Day of Term – school finishes at normal time

Stars of the week

Every Friday we have a special celebration assembly when staff give out awards that link to our “Secrets of Success”. Congratulations to the following children who received the “Star of the Week” award in our last two celebration assemblies:

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| Mrs. Allen’s and Mrs. Hind’s class | Felix, Flynn, Miley, Ted |
| Mrs. Hugill’s class | Eloise, Aria W, Theo, Zak |
| Miss. Hillary’s class | Autumn, Charlie, Sophie S, Sophie A |
| Mrs. Week’s and Mrs. Crocker’s class | Summer, William R, Edward Wa, Edward We |
| Miss Lewis’ class | Leon, Harbour, River, Oliver |
| Miss Payne’s class | Sam, Amaya, Peter, Alyssa |
| Mrs. Bradnam’s and Mrs. Everitt’s class | James, Seth, Amelia, Florence |
| Mrs. Seal’s class | Joel, Shahed, Anna, Matthew |
| Mrs. Howe’s and Mrs. Cornock’s class | Emilia W, Tobias, William G, William T, Thomas, Blake |
| Mrs. Clarke’s class | Jimmy-Lee, Poppy, Harry, George, Noah, Lewis |

Team Point Scores

| Team | Total this half-term |
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| Blue Sharks | 355 |
| Green Geckos | 387 |
| Red Dragons | 342 |
| Yellow Lions | 322 |

Safeguarding

If you ever have any concerns about the safety or wellbeing of a child at our school, please speak to one of our Safeguarding Leads. Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mr Foxwell and the Deputy Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Allen.



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RRSA: Article 28 – We have the right to a good quality education.

If you would like this information in another language or format please let us know.