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Sicklinghall Superstars!



Congratulations to everyone who has received a Special Mention Certificate this week:

Alice Clee

Sebby Hughes

Charlotte Kunz

Maisie Marsh

Harrison Maxwell

Claudia Newman

Katie-Mae Grassam

Daisy Nurthen

Aurelia Stringer

Seb Young

Hannah Davison

Callum Wood

George Park

Pupils put their architecture skills to the test during this week's unexpected snow flurry to create a brilliant



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igloo on the playground. Sadly, the change in weather meant that it was not around for too long, but we have photographic evidence of the build project taking place!



Thank you for your resilience, co-operation and understanding yesterday morning. It was greatly appreciated. Let us hope that spring is now finally on its way!

IMPORTANT: Changes impacting on the Universal Credit criteria for Free School Meals - 1st April 2018

It has been brought to our attention, that following a consultation there are to be changes introduced to the eligibility criteria for free school meals whilst the rollout of Universal Credit continues to take place.

Those parents/carers who are **currently receiving Universal Credit**, will presently qualify for Free School Meals for all of their school aged children, provided that an application for this is made **before the 1st April 2018**. Parents/carers will qualify, even if they are working, regardless of their level of earnings.

Any parent who successfully applies before 31 March 2018, will also get transitional protection so their

child/ren will continue to receive Free School Meals either until 2022 or until their child finishes their current phase of education, regardless of any increase in their earnings level.

From 1 April 2018, a free school meal net wage income threshold criteria of £7400 will then be introduced in relation to **claimants receiving Universal Credit**, which will mean some parents will then not qualify if they make a new free school meal application after 1 April 2018.

The message is that, as a matter of urgency, **APPLY IMMEDIATELY FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND CERTAINLY BEFORE 31 MARCH 2018**. Applications can be made using the following methods:

1. The NYCC website

<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals>

2. Via emails to schoolwelfare@northyorks.gov.uk or by phone 01609 533405

3. By completing a form (available as above) from the school office

Please also see attached letter for further details.

To all Cherry Blossom-YrR, Yr1 & Yr2 Parents/Carers: Cherry Blossom Trip to Monk Park Farm

We are pleased to advise that we will be visiting Monk Park Farm on **Tuesday 27 March 2018** for the day. This trip will compliment and enhance our current learning topic of food and animals.

Please see letter being sent via ParentMail early next week with full details of the trip.

All consents should be given by completing the ParentMail form and all payments made via ParentPay please. Both are required before **Monday 19 March**, thank you.

Sport Relief Day - Friday 23 March 2018

On **Friday 23 March** we will be fundraising towards Sport Relief 2018. We invite children to come to school dressed in Sport/PE kits, in exchange for a small donation (suggested amount £1). Children will take part in a 'Silly Sports' competition during the afternoon (for children only). Many thanks in advance,



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Miss Gimeno

To Parents/Carers of Yr2 & Yr3 Pupils: Yr2/3 Sleepover

We wish to advise you that Bramhope Scout Centre has been booked for the Yr2/Yr3 sleepover will take place on **Thursday 14th to Friday 15th June 2018**. A parent/carer meeting will take place on **Monday 26 March, 6-7pm**, at Sicklinghall School, with Mr Shillito, who will give further information and details. Confirmation of cost and full details will also be communicated to you all in due course.

Reminder: Parents/Carers of YrR & Yr1 pupils

Miss Bartlett would like to invite Yr Reception and Year 1 parents/carers to join us on **Wednesday 14 March** for a 'picture of the day' lesson. Parents/carers can come into school with their children and stay until around 10am for our English lesson. Thank you,
Miss Bartlett

Cherry Blossom Class Swimming Lessons To all Parents/Carers of YrR, Yr1 & Yr2

All consents are required by the **end of today, Friday, 9 March 2018** via ParentMail please. All payments made via ParentPay please by **Friday 29 June 2018**. Thank you.

Reminder: Yr6 Parents/Carers - Bikeability

A reminder that Bikeability takes places **next Monday 12 & Tuesday 13 March** at Goldsborough School, 9am-3pm both days. Please remember your bikes, helmets and packed lunches!

Parents/Carers of Yr 4: Bewerley Park Residential

Please note that the new date for the parent/carer meeting relating to the Bewerley Park residential is next **Wednesday 14 March 2018, 6.30pm at Goldsborough School**. Children are welcome to come along.

Please check your child's ParentPay account as all remaining balances are now required to have been paid in full. Thank you.

Class Assemblies

Pupils would like to invite you to their class assemblies in March, at which they will share some of the classroom learning that has taken place this term. Assemblies take place in the classroom and should last no longer than 30 minutes. We look forward to seeing you!

Monday 19 March, 3pm - Willow class

Wednesday 21 March, 3pm - Cherry Blossom class

Thursday 22 March, 3pm - Silver Birch class

Yr6 Fellside Residential

Thank you for all non-refundable deposit payments now received. The remaining final balance of **£286.31** is due by **Friday 18 May 2018**. Please make all payments via your child's ParentPay account.

Silver Birch Swimming Lessons

A reminder to all Silver Birch Class parents/carers

As we start the second half of this Spring term we would like to thank you for all payments received so far for your child's swimming lessons.

As at today's date we have received £619.00 with **£341.00** still outstanding. We would therefore like to request that payments for your child's lessons are up-to-date and fully paid. The last swimming lesson will be **Monday 26 March 2018**. All payments to be made via the ParentPay service please. Thank you.



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Drama Club - Yrs2-6

We are pleased to advise that once again we will be running Drama Club, in conjunction with Harrogate Theatre, for pupils in Yrs2-6 during the Summer term. The club will run for 10 weeks and places will be allocated on a first come/first serve basis. This is a popular club so please reply early if your child would like to attend. The letter detailing all information will be sent via ParentMail soon.

ParentPay

Thank you for payments already received for various services. **Please ensure that your child's lunch account is in credit before lunches are taken and that your child's Breakfast Club & Chill Out Zone account is also in credit before places are booked.**

Please may we ask that you check your child's balances for the various trips, clubs, water bottles and services taken to ensure that and any outstanding balances are paid accordingly.

Payment services are available for:

- NEW - Willow Trip to Magna Centre**
- NEW - Silver Birch Trip to The Deep**
- Yr4 Residential to Bewerley Park**
- Yr6 Fellside Residential**
- Ukulele Lessons - Yr5&Yr6 for Sept 2017**
- Swimming Lessons for all classes**
- Breakfast Club**
- Chill Out Zone**

Please make payments accordingly if applicable for your child. Thank you.

Spotted

Mr Shillito has spotted the following children in and around school this week:

- Cherry Blossom-** Alice for being independent
- Silver Birch-** Sam Parr for being resourceful
- Willow-** Evelyn for using her initiative

Fruit Snacks

As advised in previous newsletters, children may, if they wish, bring healthy fruit/vegetable snacks into school from home to eat at playtimes throughout the day.

Friday Folders

Please could you ensure that your Friday Folders are returned to the school **on Mondays of each week**. Please ask your child to hand it to their class teacher. Thank you.

Attendance Aces

Each Thursday, we award an attendance point to the year group with the highest attendance figure in the school.

Attendance Aces

Congratulations to YrR, Yr1, Yr2, Yr3, & Yr5 with 100%!

Well done!

Year Group	This Week (%)	Half Term Points
Reception	100	4
Year 1	100	5
Year 2	100	1
Year 3	100	2
Year 4	99.1	1
Year 5	100	2
Year 6	98.2	1

MISSING/LOST

One of Evelyn's school shoes has gone missing since after school sports club last Monday. If anyone finds a black ballet pump shoe with a patent toe please return it to Evelyn. Thank you.



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Coats, Hats, Scarves, Gloves, Boots!

In anticipation of the colder Wintery weather descending upon us please can we remind all parents/carers that children need warm coats, hats, gloves and suitable wet weather footwear (wellies/boots) which should be worn for outdoor playtimes every day. Thank you.

Bad Weather Arrangements

We would like to advise/remind everyone of our bad weather and winter arrangements which are outlined below:

- School will endeavour to remain open where possible during the winter months.
- The school would need to close before the school day starts only if staff are not able to make the journey into school, meaning that there would not be enough adults to provide adequate and safe supervision of pupils.
- The school would need to close during the school day only if conditions worsen to such an extent that journeys home for families and for staff would become dangerous.
- Families' journeys to school are diverse, with some walking, some driving from local villages and some driving from further afield. For this reason, we ask that parents/carers take their own decision as to whether it is safe to drive to school on snowy days. If you decide not to make the journey, please inform school via a phone call or email.
- Should school need to close, a text message will be sent to all parents/carers as early as possible. This message will also be posted on the front page of our website (sicklinghallprimary.co.uk) and broadcast on Stray FM (97.2FM).
- Should school remain open but if there is a thick blanket of snow on the ground, the playground entrance will remain closed. Pupils are therefore asked to come into school via the car park entrance, which will be supervised by a member of staff.



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SCHOOL DIARY DATES TO KEEP - 2017-2018

Swimming for Silver Birch class every Monday: 15 Jan-26 Mar 2018

Ukulele lessons for Yr5 & 6 every Thursday afternoon, starting Thursday 14 September 2017-July 2018

Spring Term 2

Swimming for Silver Birch class every Monday: 15 Jan-26 Mar 2018

Forest School Club-Spring Term 2:

Thursdays 3.30-4.45pm on 01/08/15/22/29 March 2018

Mondays-w/c Mon 19 Feb: 3.30-4.30pm Multi-Sports After School Club-KS2

Mon 12 Mar:3.30-4.30pm Multi-Sports After School Club-KS2
 Mon 12 Mar: 9.00-3.00pm Yr6 Bikeability @ GB School
 Tue 13 Mar: 9.00-3.00pm Yr6 Bikeability @ GB School
 Wed 14 Mar: 9.00-10.00am YrR & Yr1 Parents/Carers invited into CB Class - 'Picture of the Day' lesson
 Wed 14 Mar: 6.30pm Yr4 Bewerley Park Information Evening for parents/carers at Goldsborough School
 Thur 15 Mar: 8.15-3.30pm Willow Class trip to Magna Centre
 Fri 16 Mar: 8.15-4.00pm SB Class trip to The Deep
 Mon 19 Mar: 3pm Willow class assembly
 Mon 19 Mar:3.30-4.30pm Multi-Sports After School Club-KS2
 Wed 21 Mar: 3pm Cherry Blossom class assembly
 Thur 22 Mar: 3pm Silver Birch class assembly
 Fri 23 Mar: Fundraising for Sport Relief - 'Silly Sports'
 Mon 26 Mar:3.30-4.30pm Multi-Sports After School Club-KS2
 Mon 26 Mar: 6.00-7.00pm Yr2/3 Sleepover Information meeting for parents/carers
 Tue 27 Mar: 9.00-3.30pm CB Class trip to Monk Park Farm
 Thur 29 Mar: School closes for Easter holiday

Summer Term 1

Swimming for Cherry Blossom class every Monday: 23 Apr-16 Jul 2018

Mondays-w/c Mon 23 Apr: 3.30-4.30pm Multi-Sports After School Club-KS2

Mon 16 Apr: Staff Training Day-School Closed to pupils
 Tue 17 Apr: School re-opens
 Wed 18-Fri20 Apr: Yr4 Residential-Bewerley Park
 Mon 23 Apr:3.30-4.30pm Multi-Sports After School Club-KS2
 Mon 30 Apr:3.30-4.30pm Multi-Sports After School Club-KS2
 Mon 14 May:3.30-4.30pm Multi-Sports After School Club-KS2
 w/c Mon 14 May: Yr6 SATS tests

Mon 21 May:3.30-4.30pm Multi-Sports After School Club-KS2
 Fri 18 May: Final balance payments due for Yr6 Fellside trip
 Fri 25 May: School closes for half term

Summer Term 2

Mondays-w/c Mon 04 Jun: 3.30-4.30pm Multi-Sports After School Club-KS2

Mon 4 Jun: School re-opens
 Mon 04 Jun:3.30-4.30pm Multi-Sports After School Club-KS2
 Thur 7 Jun: Adventure Photography-Class/Yr6 photos
 Mon 11 Jun:3.30-4.30pm Multi-Sports After School Club-KS2
 Wed 13 Jun: 2pm Sports Day (reserve date Wed 27 Jun)
 Thur 14-Fri 15 Jun: Yr2/3 Sleepover-Bramhope Scout Centre
 Mon 18-Fri 22 Jun: Yr6 Residential-Fellside
 Mon 18 Jun:3.30-4.30pm Multi-Sports After School Club-KS2
 Mon 25 Jun:3.30-4.30pm Multi-Sports After School Club-KS2
 Wed 27 Jun: 2pm RESERVE date-Sports Day
 Mon 02 Jul:3.30-4.30pm Multi-Sports After School Club-KS2
 Mon 09 Jul:3.30-4.30pm Multi-Sports After School Club-KS2
 Mon 16 Jul:3.30-4.30pm Multi-Sports After School Club-KS2
 Fri 20 Jul: 1.30pm Leavers assembly
 Fri 20 Jul: 2.30pm School closes for Summer holiday (NO COZ provision)

Mr Shillito's weekly diary for March 2018:

w/c	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
w/c 12.03.18	SCPS	G'B	Am: Offsite mtg Pm: SCPS/GB	SCPS	G'B
w/c 19.03.18	SCPS	G'B	SCPS	SCPS	G'B
w/c 26.03.18	SCPS	G'B	G'B	SCPS	G'B