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## ***Sicklinghall Superstars!***



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

***Gabriella Wilkinson***

***Callum Wood***

***Elizabeth Beard***

***Grace Parish***

***Georgia Swales***

***And to all of Year 6  
for their various achievements during their Fellside residential last week***

***The PTFA have also awarded a special mention  
to  
Mrs Johnson-Ware for her 'Sicklinghall's Got Talent' idea***



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What a difference a week can make, weather wise! Last week, we enjoyed sun soaked playtimes and outdoor learning. This week, we have enjoyed wet playtimes and closed doors to keep us dry! The weather didn't stop our intrepid Cherry Blossom travellers, however, who had a brilliant day in Filey this week.

Mention must be made of last night's brilliant 'Sicklinghall's Got Talent' show. We already know how much talent our pupils have but it was wonderful to see them perform such a range of acts so confidently to a packed school hall audience. Congratulations to the winner, Charlie Bickers! Huge thanks to Mrs Johnson-Ware for all of the hard work that she put into the event and to staff, PTFA and parents for supporting it so well.

### Class arrangements- 2017/2018

A letter which explains our class organisation for 2017/2018 accompanies this week's newsletter.

### Transition Activities

A number of transition activities are planned for the coming weeks to enable our pupils to meet their new teacher and adults who work with them and to become familiar with their new classroom or with new pupils joining their class. Staff new to the school will also join us where their current commitments allow.

### **Great Yorkshire Show**

As has been the policy in previous years, in line with Local Authority expectations and in consultation with other local schools, there is no scope within the holidays in term time legislation to make an exception for events such as the Great Yorkshire Show. This will mean that absence to attend the Great Yorkshire Show is recorded as unauthorised absence. To clarify the system of issuing fines for unauthorised absence, each school is required to submit returns to the Local Authority for any pupil whose unauthorised absence rises above 5 days within a 6 month period. For example, if a child has been absent for 5 school days due to family holiday, any further unauthorised absence would trigger a fine from the Local Authority.

At Sicklinghall School, we greatly value the importance placed on the education of our pupils by you as parents and carers. We recognise your commitment to supporting the school and working in partnership to achieve the best outcomes for your child. We appreciate that this policy does not reward or recognise this commitment. In order to be able to apply the policy consistently and fairly to the whole school community, it was felt that making an exception for this event could lead to inconsistency when considering exceptional circumstances for future similar events/exhibitions and on an individual basis.

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Shillito via the usual methods.

### **Parent/ Carer Forum Meeting – Feedback?**

The Parent/Carer Forum held in school yesterday, 29 June. The following items were discussed:

Homework - it was felt that homework has improved this year in terms of consistency and amount set. Thursday set and Tuesday return works well as there is more than just the weekend to complete the tasks set.

Use of Planners - seemingly used for different purposes depending on class. It was felt that further clarity on how and when they are used would be helpful.

Pupil Progress Information- we discussed how the information that we share with you as parents and carers can help you to help your child at home with his/her learning.

Medical Messages- we discussed developing a system which enables day to day messages about a child's health (in addition to what we have recorded already in school, e.g. X is feeling under the weather today and may need his inhaler) to be passed to all relevant staff, particularly where there is a handover during the day.

Class Photographs- we discussed views on the class group photographs as some prefer the more formal and traditional class photographs.



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If you were unable to attend the forum meeting, but have views on any of the items discussed above, please contact Mr Shillito via e-mail;

[headteacher@goldsborough.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@goldsborough.n-yorks.sch.uk)

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### Reminder Notice - End of Term/Whole School Picnic

A reminder that our last day of term is **Friday 21 July 2017** when we will hold our whole school picnic at 12pm. Please note there is **no school meal provision** on this day. School closes at **2:30pm** on this day and there will be no Chill Out Provision. School reopens to pupils after the summer holiday on **Tuesday 5 September 2017**.

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### Drama Club

Now that the practicing and rehearsals are finished in school, Drama Club pupils are now looking forward to **next Tuesday, 4 July**. As detailed in the earlier letter sent home to all Drama Club pupils, they will perform in 'The Emperor's New Clothes' next Tuesday at Harrogate Theatre. If you are not attending the performances please collect your child from Harrogate Theatre after the show.

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### Mr Finch - PE Lesson in School

Please note that due to the Summer play dress rehearsal taking place at the village hall during the afternoon of Monday 10 July, we have arranged for Mr Finch to take his last PE lesson of this term on **Tuesday 11 July instead**. Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school for this day.

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### Reminder: Medication In School

We ask that parents/carers of children requiring medication to be administered arrange a time to come into school to check the medication for the following:

- condition - are you happy that the medication is still in sufficiently good condition?
- expiry dates- are all of your child's medicines still in date or have they/will they soon expire?
- quantity - is there sufficient medicine remaining in school or should more be provided?

Please arrange to visit school at morning drop off **next Monday, 3 July 2017** to make these checks on behalf of your child.

### Yr6 Fellside Residential - report

Last week Yr6 had the pleasure of going to the Fellside Centre. On the first day we did orienteering at the centre so that we knew our way around. We asked Daisy and she said 'I liked building the dam in the evening because it was very hard'. On Tuesday we did canoeing, kayaking and sailing. On Wednesday we did Ghyll scrambling first and then we climbed a mountain called Catbells in 2 different ways. On Thursday we went to a lead mine and then we went rock climbing. In the evening we did 'Goldinghall's Got Talent' and on Friday we were supposed to do bushcraft activities, but due to the weather we played a fun game instead.

Report by Daisy, Luca & Darrian

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### Payments for Cherry Blossom Swimming Lessons

Thank you to all parents/carers for payments already made towards your child's swimming lessons so far this term. Cherry Blossom's swimming lessons have cost £720.00. We have so far received **£491.00**, leaving a shortfall of **£229.00**.

**Please could parents check their contributions to date and make any further payments where applicable via ParentPay or inform us ASAP that they do not intend to make a voluntary contribution.** Thank you.

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### ££ PARENTPAY ££

As the end of the Summer Term is approaching it is **VERY IMPORTANT** that **ALL** ParentPay accounts are settled in full for the ParentPay financial school 'Year End'. Please will **ALL** parents check their child's account and settle any outstanding or pending debts **ASAP** over the next 2 weeks. This is especially important for our **Year 6 pupils who will be leaving the School on Friday 21 July 2017**. Thank you.

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### Fruity Booty - ParentPay

The payment service for **Summer Term 2 Fruity Booty currently remains 74% unpaid**.

If your child is in Year 3-6 and has fruit each day may we ask that payment is made using this service before the payment date of **next Friday, 7 July 2017**. If you do not intend to make payment for your child please advise the school office asap before **next Friday, 7 July 2017**. Thank you.



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### NY Music Tuition 2017-2017

Please see attached leaflet giving details on how to apply for music tuition for the next academic year. For more details including tuition fees please visit:  
[www.northyorkshiremusicclub.co.uk](http://www.northyorkshiremusicclub.co.uk)

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### School Summer Production

Please find below dates of our rehearsals and performances for our Summer production.

| Date:               | Rehearsal/Performance                                     | Collection Arrangements:                   |
|---------------------|---|--|
| Friday 7 July 2017  | 1st dress rehearsal, 1.00-3.30pm                          | Parents collect from Village Hall @ 3.30pm |
| Monday 10 July 2017 | 2nd dress rehearsal, 1.00-3.30pm                          | Parents collect from Village Hall @ 3.30pm |
| Friday 14 July 2017 | Evening performance<br>Pupils arrive 6pm for 6.30pm start | Parents take home after performance        |
| Monday 17 July 2017 | Afternoon performance<br>2pm start time                   | Parents collect from Village Hall @ 3.30pm |

**Please note:** When collecting your child from the Village Hall please do not park at the Village Hall. Please park in the car park at the Scotts Arms pub and walk down to collect your child. Thank you.

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### 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 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:

**Fruity Booty (Yrs3-6) Summer Term 2**

### Ukulele Lessons - Yr5&Yr6 for Sept 2016

### Swimming Lessons for Silver Birch class

### Swimming Lessons for Cherry Blossom class

### Breakfast Club

### Chill Out Zone

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

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### Auditor Vacancy

Due to the retirement of our Auditor, we are looking for a suitably qualified Accountant who is able to audit our School Fund account for us. We are able to pay a small fee for this work.

Please apply by email to: [admin@sicklinghall.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@sicklinghall.n-yorks.sch.uk) or [headteacher@goldsborough.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@goldsborough.n-yorks.sch.uk).

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### Harrogate International Festivals - Family Concert

Please see attached flyer for details of the Harrogate Symphony Orchestra's Summer Concert on Sunday 23 July 2017.

The programme has been specially chosen with children at the heart and includes music from Angry Birds, William Tell Overture, Ghost Busters, Carnival of the Animals etc. etc. etc.! The Children's Concerts put on by the orchestra are always really good fun and an excellent way to get children involved and listening to a wide and exciting repertoire.

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### Spotted

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

**Cherry Blossom-** Chloe for being kind and caring to a friend.

**Silver Birch-** Alfie M for being helpful and considerate.

**Willow-** Archie for his enthusiasm.

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### Suncream & Sun Hats

Now that the sunny weather has finally arrived please ensure that children have sun protection cream applied at home before they come to school in the morning. We



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do not have sun cream in school. Please also remember to bring sun hats/caps to wear outside at playtimes.

### 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 Congratulations to Yr1 with 100%

| Year Group | This Week (%) | Half Term Points |
|------------|---------------|------------------|
| Reception  | 100           | 4                |
| Year 1     | 93.3          |                  |
| Year 2     | 93.3          | 3                |
| Year 3     | 93.4          |                  |
| Year 4     | 97.9          | 2                |
| Year 5     | 96.3          | 3                |
| Year 6     | 98.1          | 2                |

Wed 5 Jul: 7.00pm Meeting for new Yr Reception parents  
 Thur 6 Jul: Yr6 Transition day at Nidderdale High  
 Fri 7 Jul: 1.00-3.30pm 1<sup>st</sup> Dress Rehearsal @ Village Hall-  
**collect from Village Hall at 3.30pm**  
 Mon 10 Jul: 1.00-3.30pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Dress Rehearsal @ Village Hall-  
**collect from Village Hall at 3.30pm**  
 Mon 10 Jul: 3.30-4.30pm Mr Finch Cricket Club - LAST ONE  
 Wed 12 & Thur 13 Jul: Harrogate Grammar School & Rossett  
 School-Yr6 Transition Days  
 Wed 12 Jul: 3.30-4.30pm Forest Schools Club (Yrs2-6)  
 Thur 13 Jul: (am) SB class visit to Carlshead Farm  
 Thur 13 Jul: Yr6 Transition day at St Aidans  
 Thur 13 Jul: 3.30-4.30pm Forest Schools Club (Yrs2-6)  
 Fri 14 Jul: 6pm arrival for 6.30pm start-Summer play  
 performance-Village Hall  
 Mon 17 Jul: 2pm start-Summer play performance-Village Hall-  
**collect from Village Hall at 3.30pm**  
 Wed 19 Jul: 3.30-4.30pm Forest Schools Club (Yrs2-6)  
 Thur 20 Jul: (am) SB class visit to Carlshead Farm  
 Thur 20 Jul: 3.30-4.30pm Forest Schools Club (Yrs2-6)  
 Fri 21 Jul: 12pm Whole School Picnic lunch (NO school lunch  
 provision today)  
 Fri 21 Jul: 1.30pm Yr 6 Leavers Assembly  
 Fri 21 Jul: **2.30pm** School closes for Summer holiday (**please  
 not there is no Chill Out Zone provision today**)

### Mr Shillito's weekly diary for May/June 2017:

| w/c             | MON  | TUE | WED                              | THUR | FRI            |
|-----------------|------|-----|----------------------------------|------|----------------|
| w/c<br>03.07.17 | SCPS | G'B | G'B                              | SCPS | G'B            |
| w/c<br>10.07.17 | SCPS | G'B | SCPS                             | SCPS | G'B            |
| w/c<br>17.07.17 | SCPS | G'B | Am: G'B<br>Pm:<br>Offsite<br>mtg | SCPS | Offsite<br>mtg |

Please note this may be subject to change

### SCHOOL DIARY DATES TO KEEP 2017

#### Summer Term - May-July 2017

Wed 26 Apr-19 Jul: Cherry Blossom Swimming lessons  
 Every Mon 3.30-4.30pm Mr Finch After School Sports Club  
 Every Thu 3.30-4.30pm Forest Schools Club with Miss Brown  
 Every Tues 2.30-3.30pm Yr5/6 Ukulele lesson

#### Summer Term 2

Wed 26 Apr-Wed 19 Jul: Cherry Blossom Swimming lessons

#### Summer Term 2

Tue 4 Jul: pm/eve - Drama Club-Harrogate Theatre performances  
 Wed 5 Jul: 9.10-11.30am Yr Reception Taster Morning  
 Wed 05 /Jul: 3.30-4.30pm Forest Schools Club (Yrs2-6)  
 Wed 5 & Thur 6 Jul: King James High School- Yr6 Transition  
 Days