

NEWSLETTER 26.02.16



News from the Classes

This week in KS1, we have had a surprising discovery of eggs in our garden area, some children suspect that they are dinosaur eggs and have been putting their detective skills to work, collecting clues and evidence. We will keep you updated!

Reception have created a lovely fairy garden and enjoyed using the outdoor area to find sticks and logs, we just need the sun to shine now so that the seeds grow!

In English we have been looking at different sentence types and working out the grammar we need for each. We love stories in KS1 and next Thursday is Wold Book Day so the children have been thinking about their favourite books and characters. We can't wait to see what everyone comes up with and celebrate our love of Literacy.

On Wednesday, the Police came in and talked to KS2 (and year 2) about being safe on the internet. This has made us all think how important it is to think about safety. It is really important that other people on computers can't get our codes/passwords. Always think safety!

We have been working on number sequences this week. It has been important to get your brain thinking. Ask about ascending and descending order. Ask about finding the difference. Well done year 4, you have been working on trickier negative numbers.

We have also been working on Fronted Adverbials; they are not as scary as first thought! This is because we have always been using them with our sentence types anyway. Numbers 5, 7, 12 and 13 all have a Fronted Adverbial start.

In Geography, we have been working on Biomes – please ask. We understand that different environments occur because of how close or far they are from the Equator. It explains why the Earth shows different colours from Space.

School Telephone Numbers

It could be that Mrs Douglass may need to contact you when she is at Glaisdale School and we realise you won't recognise the number so maybe won't answer! Please note that Glaisdale's number is 01947 897218.

School Clubs

Please could we politely request that children either stay at school clubs every week (unless there are exceptional circumstances, or not at all. At the moment we have children attending one week and then choosing not to the next. We feel this is unfair on staff who run the clubs voluntarily and it makes it very difficult for us to know who we are responsible for in the club. By all means, please let us know if your child wishes to withdraw their commitment to a club - this is no problem. We would normally encourage the child to thank the member of staff and say they no longer wish to attend. This is a good life skill and we will thank them for being so well mannered!

Also, please note that the same rules apply at the end of clubs as at the end of the school day:-

- Please could you let us know if your children are going to someone else's house;
- If your child is allowed to walk home or elsewhere from school, on their own, we must have written permission from you;
- Your child needs to be collected on time at the end of a club.

World Book Day - Thursday, 3rd March and Book Club

World Book Day is next Thursday and we will spend time enjoying stories and books. If they wish, children can come to school dressed as a character from a book. Also, we have arranged a visit from a Poet during the morning, who will do a workshop in each class linked to our Space topic.

Enclosed are book tokens for each child and the latest Book Club Catalogue (the tokens can be used against orders).

Advance Notices- Years 3 & 4 Events

- **Peat Rigg Residential.** Just a reminder that there is an information meeting at Egton Village Hall on Wednesday, 9th March at 6.30pm. Also, full payment of £55 needs to be made by the end of March please.
- <u>"Wider Opportunities" Musical Event, Friday, 11th March</u>. Following on from the Music that years 3 and 4 have been doing with Mr Cross on Fridays, Mr Butterfield, Music Teacher, has arranged a an event at Eskdale School on the afternoon of 11th March. Please see letter attached, together with letter from Mr Butterfield. **Please return reply slip on Monday so appropriate transport can be arranged.**
- Multiskills, Wednesday, 16th March. Would any parents be able to assist with transport to Multiskills which is to be held at Eskdale School from 1.30pm to 3pm on 16th March? Helen Medcalf will be going but we will need 2 further cars. Please can you let us know on Monday as, if not, we will then have to arrange possibly sharing a bus with Glaisdale.

<u>Updated List of Dates to Easter</u>

Please find enclosed an updated list of dates of events etc up to Easter.

Next Week

Monday Swimming

Sumdog Club

Year 6 Booster Club

Tuesday Sewing Club

Wednesday Years 3 & 4 Forest School session, afternoon. KS1 and years 5 & 6 will be doing Forest

Schools on Wednesday, 16th March

Netball Club

Thursday World Book Day

Sunday Mother's Day Service at Danby Chapel, 10.30am (see separate letter)

Football Club will re-commence after Easter

<u>News from Glaisdale</u>

This week, **Class 1** have been using a variety of methods to carry out multiplication calculations. In Literacy they have been learning their story using the class story map. The children have been looking at the works of Vincent Van Gogh with particular focus on his Stary Night picture which they hope to replicate in class.

Class 2 have been using an episode of Cosmic to learn how to write both formal and informal letters. In Maths they have begun some work on time.

Glaisdale PTFA - Dates of Events

Tuesday, 15th March Easter Bingo, Robinson Institute, 6 to 7.30pm

Friday, 1st April Drama Workshop with SJT ("April Fool's Day"), Ley Hall, Lealholm, 10am to 3pm,

£10. For bookings email: valleynews@basementpress.com

Sunday, 1st May

Tour @ Glaisdale (Tour de Yorkshire Celebration) mass bike ride, bbq, bands
Friday, 23rd September

Northumberland Theatre Company presents "How to make a killing in Bollywood"