



NEWSLETTER

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"Outstanding Together"

News from the Classes

KS1 have had a great first week back, despite the weather! We have been planning on what seeds to plant and looked at what we need to do to care for them and help them grow.

We had a great (even if a little muddy!) Forest School session on Wednesday but we did, of course, have the usual hot chocolate and snack to warm us up and keep us going! The children had the option of shelter building, using peelers, bow saws and drills. Medallions from natural resources were made, which involved drilling and tying a reef knot! We built some fantastic dens, remembering to listen to each other's ideas and work as a team.

KS2: Welcome back everyone! It always is a bit of a brainshock getting back into work after the "chocolate" holiday but Mrs Grace has been impressed with how everyone has quickly settled back. They have started the work on the Ancient Greeks and so far the major points of interest have been the toilets and naked Olympic Games! But it does mean they need to do the historical research in order to discover the answers.

Message to Year 6

Last big push before the real thing in May! With homework please work to timed conditions, this will help you get the pace of the test right and for you to know how many questions you need to do. Also, you need to do the homework independently please. If you want to complete the homework after the time, you need to do it in another colour so when it is marked it is obvious.

Years 4, 5 & 6 Botany Classes at Westerdale

Please find enclosed a flyer regarding 3 Botany Classes that Mrs Wilson is running at Westerdale Village Hall. Although this is an adult class, she is willing to have children from years 4, 5 and 6 (accompanied by an adult) if they wish to attend.

KS2 - PE and ICT on Fridays

This term, KS2 will be alternating each week between PE and ICT on a Friday - next week the years 5 and 6 children will be doing ICT with years 3 and 4 doing PE. They will all have PE one other day every week (day to be confirmed) so please could you ensure that they have a PE kit in school. Thank you.

Arriving at School

Please could we politely remind parents to stay with children on the playground if there is no adult outside (i.e. before 8.50am) to ensure children are supervised. Thank you.

Change to Week 2 of Summer Term Menu

Due to the delivery of fresh food, Gaby is swapping round the Monday and Tuesday dinners of week 2 on the Summer Term Menu.

Lighting of Danby Beacon to celebrate the Queen's Birthday, Thursday, 21st April

Further to our letter about the above, we have now received a programme of timings, as follows:-

- 7.30pm – Gather at Danby Beacon.
- 7.40pm – Lighting of the Beacon by Lord Downe followed by Appreciation by HRH Prince of Wales read by Lord Downe, singing of "Happy Birthday" accompanied by the "Singing for Pleasure" Choir and Ian Hopley on the trumpet, Prayers of Thanksgiving by Rev Dr Michael Hazelton, singing of "God Save the Queen", accompanied as above and cutting of the Birthday Cake by a 90th birthday celebrant.
- 8.15pm – Disperse to the Duke of Wellington.

Castleton Village Hall Refurbishment Open Morning on 23rd April

A consultation event will be held in the Village Hall from 10.30am to 12 on Saturday, 23rd April (presentation at 11am) regarding refurbishment of the Village Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Advance Notice - Egton live@thecrease 2016 - Saturday, 30th July

This event is taking place again this year on Egton Cricket Field, Saturday 30th July, 12 to 9pm. There will be live bands and acoustic acts, BBQ, pizza, ice cream and stalls. Tickets are adults £5, children £2 with all funds going to St Catherine's Hospice and other Charities, available by emailing: live@thecrease@gmail.com

List of Dates for Summer Term

Please find enclosed a preliminary list of dates for the Term, which is subject to change.

Next Week

Please bring in any remaining Sport Relief money at the beginning of the week. Thank you.

Monday	Sumdog Club Year 6 Booster Club
Tuesday	Sewing Club
Wednesday	Netball Club
Thursday	Lighting of Danby Beacon, 7.30pm
Friday	Football Club (weather and ground conditions permitting!)
Saturday	Village Hall Refurbishment Open Morning

News from Glaisdale

Class 1 English work is currently focusing on SPAG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) expectations of the new curriculum. In Maths they have been thinking about the concept of time and in Geography have been locating and naming the continents and oceans of the world using globes, maps and atlases.

Class 2 have also started the topic based around Greece. They began by using the internet and books to research information based around modern day Greece before turning their attention to Ancient Greece. In Literacy they have been using prefixes to spell new words and in Maths have undertaken an investigation leading to data handling.

Glaisdale PTFA Dates

Sunday, 1st May **Tour @ Glaisdale**. Tour de Yorkshire celebration, mass bike ride, bbq, bands (PTFA and other Village groups)

Friday, 23rd September **Northumberland Theatre Company presents "How to Make a Killing in Bollywood"**