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Dear Families and Friends,

Oaks Teaching Assistant Vacancy – Mrs R Garbutt

Last week, we shared that we had finally been successful in appointing a new HLTA for Oaks. I am pleased to say we can name this person as Mrs Rebecca Garbutt. Mrs Garbutt joins us in September, following a very successful career in her role of class teacher at Newby & Scalby Primary School. She has taught across all primary school phases, including Key Stage 2. Over the next half-term, Mrs Garbutt will be coming into school for some handover days, in preparation for her September start. In the meantime, Mrs Laverick will continue to support Oaks most mornings.

Acorns Teaching Assistant – Miss Chippindale

Sadly, whilst we welcome Mrs Garbutt, we must say a hasty goodbye to Miss Chippindale who has had to leave the school with immediate effect. Unfortunately, Miss Chippindale, without notice, is having to support a family member, who lives in Leeds, following an accident, and is unable to commit to her role at Castleton. Miss Chippindale passes on her deepest regret that she could not continue her new role supporting Acorns on Mondays and Tuesdays, however I am sure we all understand her reasons for the sudden leaving.

Whilst we arrange for an advert, Acorns will be joined by Mrs Skidmore-West, an experienced teaching assistant. We also continue to have the support of Miss Caudle and Miss Bourne, our first-year teacher training students.

Clubs after Half-term

After half-term, we will be changing some of our clubs, to allow children of different ages some different opportunities, as well as adding provision to supporting some upcoming school events. The schedule is as follows:

Monday: Acorns Sports Club (Mrs Katie Thompson)

Tuesday: No clubs

Wednesday:

Oaks Summer Production Club (Mrs Wardell)

150th Celebration Craft Club (led by vice-chair of governors and parent, Mrs Kevan)

Thursday: Choir Club (Miss Wilson)

This means that Board Games, Oaks Sports Club and Baking Club will come to end next week. A massive thank you must go to all the people who have ran these clubs over the last half-term, especially our parent volunteers who led Baking Club!

Oaks Trip to Land of Iron

Oaks will be visiting Land of Iron in Skinninggrove next Wednesday morning, as part of their learning on the history of mining. The children will be visiting during the morning and will return in time for lunch. They should come to school in their usual uniform and do not require a packed lunch.

Year 6 SATs

A massive well done must be given to our Year 6s this week, following the completion of their SATs exams. The children have worked extremely hard to learn all the content they have been tested on. They have approached this week with calmness and positivity, demonstrating their very best. We are looking forward to seeing the results in July.





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Year 6 Edinburgh Trip – Virtual Meeting

Thank you to the parents who joined me for the Year 6 Edinburgh trip virtual meeting on Thursday. For those that were unable to join, a recording of this has been made available through a link shared via e-mail.

Year 6 Edinburgh Trip – Co-op Fundraiser

We were delighted to be supported by our local Co-op branch, once again, through their monthly charity raffle. This has raised an amazing £205 towards our Edinburgh trip, allowing our children more opportunities to different excursions, as well as reducing the subsidy that school was providing. Thank you!

Relationships and Sex Education Policy Consultation

You should have received a link to a parental consultation on our school's new Relationships and Sex Education policy. It is a statutory requirement for parents to be consulted on this. If you have any questions/comments, please complete the online consultation sent out previously. The closing date for this consultation is Monday 3rd June.

Year 1/2 Quad Kids

On Thursday afternoon, our Year 1 and 2 children will be taking part in a competitive athletics event in Whitby. Children should come to school in P.E kits.

Library Van Visit

Our next visit to the library van is due to take place on Thursday 23rd morning. Please ensure you bring all books and library cards with you for this.

School Photos

Unfortunately, due to the poor weather, our school/class photos were cancelled this week. We have a rearranged date of Monday 3rd June to have these taken. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Swimming

Swimming lessons will resume next Monday, following the completion of SATs Week. We will continue to have weekly sessions until Monday 1st July.

Make-up

Please can I gently remind you that make-up (e.g. eye liner, mascara and lip gloss) is not permitted or appropriate for school.

End of Half-term

As a reminder, school will close at the end of the day on Friday 24th May for the summer half-term. We will re-open again on Monday 3rd June.

Have a great weekend,

Mr Cooper



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Stars of the Week:

Acorns: Rue - for always putting 100% effort into everything that she does and working hard to achieve her goals.
Oaks: Martha – for another incredible week, she has shone in every subject especially in English with her fantastic sentence type writing in preparation for the drafting of her 3rd person narrative.
Headteacher: All of Year 6 – for a fantastic attitude and approach to preparing for SATs and for showing confidence during this week’s assessments!

Attendance: Our attendance this week was: 95.1%
 Our attendance this year: 94.7%
 National average this year: 94.6%

| Headteacher timetable for the upcoming week | |
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| Mon | Goathland all day |
| Tues | Castleton all day |
| Weds | am – Castleton pm – Goathland |
| Thurs | Supporting school in Scarborough |
| Fri | am – Goathland pm - Glaisdale |

Next Week’s Events

- Monday** **Swimming sessions** please arrive in uniform with kit in bag
Board Games Club Final session
- Tuesday** **Music Lessons**
- Wednesday** **Acorns PE** please arrive in appropriate clothing/footwear
Year 2-4 Baking Club Final session
Oaks Sports Club Final session
Key Stage 2 trip to Land of Iron
- Thursday** **Choir Club**
Year 1/2 Quad Kids Please arrive in PE kit
Library van visit please bring in any books and library cards
- Friday** **Oaks PE** Please arrive in appropriate clothing/footwear

Safeguarding Statement

Yorkshire Endeavour Academy Trust and Castleton School are committed to ensuring the safety and welfare of all children. If you have any concerns regarding this, please contact one of our designated safeguarding leads (listed below). For significant and immediate concerns, please contact the police on 999. For concerns that are not immediate, please contact the North Yorkshire Council Emergency Duty Team: 0300 131 2 131.

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mr Olly Cooper (01947 897218 or 01287 660496 or headteacher.cg@yeat.co.uk)
 Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Nicola Wardell (01287 660496 or nwardell.castleton@yeat.co.uk)
 Safeguarding Governor: Mrs Anna Harrison (01287 660496 or aharrison.cgl@yeat.co.uk)

Term Dates 2023/24





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- Half Term - Monday 27th May to Friday 31st 2024
- Staff Training Day – 12th July 2024
- Last day of Summer Term - Monday 22nd July 2024

Future Diary Dates

Please note: some of these events may still need to be confirmed.

May

- 22/05 – Key Stage 2 trip to Land of Iron
- 23/05 – Year 1 and 2 Quad Kids Sports Event
- 23/05 – Library Van

June.

- 03/06 - School photos
- 03/06-14/06 - Year 4 Multiplication Check weeks
- 06/06 – 80th D-Day Anniversary
- 07/06 - Year 5 and 6 Quad Kids Sports Event
- 10/06-14/06 – Year 1 Phonics Screen Week
- 19/06 – Y5/6 visiting e-safety/police roadshow
- 20/06 – Rotary Club design competition
- 25/06 – Year 6 visiting secondary school and Whitby Archives (on school train)

26/06 – Oaks Summer Performances (1.30-3pm and 5.30-7pm)

27/06 – Y5&6 Climbing Trip to Scugdale

July

- 02/07 – Key Stage 2 Lego Robotics Workshop
- 03/07 – Choir Really Big Sing Event
- 05/07 – School 150th Anniversary Summer Fair (2-5pm)
- 08/07-12/07 – Caedmon transition week
- 16/07 – Sports Day (pm)
- 17/07 – Year 6 Crucial Crew Visit
- 18/07 - Oaks trip to York
- 19/07 – Sports Day (am) (reserve)
- 19/07 – Leavers Assembly (1pm)
- 22/07 – YEAT Arts Extravaganza

Please avoid booking term time holidays, especially during assessment weeks.

Term Dates 2024/25

- Staff Training Day – Monday 2nd September 2024
- Staff Training Day – Tuesday 3rd September 2024
- First day of Autumn Term – Wednesday 4th September 2024
- Half Term - Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November 2024
- Staff Training Day - Friday 13th December 2024
- Last day of Autumn Term - Friday 20th December 2024
- First Day of Spring Term – Monday 6th January 2025
- Half Term - Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February 2025
- Staff Training Day - Friday 28th March 2025
- Last day of Spring Term - Friday 4th April 2025
- First day of Summer Term – **Tuesday 22nd April 2025**
- Bank Holiday – Monday 5th May 2025
- Half Term - Monday 26th May to Friday 30th 2025
- Last day of Summer Term - Monday 21st July 2025
- Staff Training Day – Tuesday 22nd July 2025



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