



NEWSLETTER

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Dear Families and Friends,

Year 5/6 Peat Rigg

A highlight of primary school is a residential visit and Year 5/6 got to experience this again this week. They took part in a range of adventurous activities which helped develop their confidence, resilience, communication and teamwork, alongside their peers from Oakridge, Lealholm and Glaisdale Schools. You can check out the photos on social media! A big thank you to the Peat Rigg staff for accommodating and challenging us. Also, a big thank you to school staff for giving up their time during the 3 day, 2 night stay.

Year 3/4 – Working with Glaisdale School

Year 3/4 enjoyed the chance to work with their friends from Glaisdale School and Mr Wood, whilst Year 5/6 were at Peat Rigg. They took part in shared lessons, using our joint curriculum, as well as getting the chance to do a Moors School (Glaisdale's version of Forest School) and an orienteering session!

Oaks River Trip

On Monday our Oaks will be venturing along the River Esk to consolidate their Geography learning and completing a study of the river. We will leave school at 12 noon walking through the village to the cricket pitch, here will observe the river and conduct some investigations before eating our lunch. We will then continue on towards Dibble Bridge and along the Esk Valley walk. Please can children come to school in their forest school clothing and bring a packed lunch.

Year 5/6 Netball Event

On the after of Tuesday 1st April some of our Year 5 and 6 children will participate in the Stringers Netball tournament at Whitby School. Please can children come to school in their PE kit, you should have received a letter for those attending.

PTFA Meeting

Our PTFA met on Tuesday to discuss upcoming fundraising events and ideas. This includes an Easter treasure hunt – more details to follow – which families will be able to complete over the holidays and return at the Year 6 Coffee Morning (Saturday 19th April) at Castleton Village Hall. We also discussed the supporting of the Gospel Choir event in May.

Gospel Choir Event

Just a reminder to complete the online form (sent via email this week and below) if you would like your child to perform in the gospel choir event taking place on the evening of 22nd May at the Joan of Arc Hall, Botton. This is **open to all pupils** (not just those that attend Choir Club), as all children will have practised during the day alongside the gospel choir. There will be an afternoon performance in the village hall for families to attend. <https://forms.office.com/e/dy1sjTxvK4>

Uniform Swap

The PTFA will be regularly supporting our uniform swap. They will soon communicate regular dates at the start/end of half-terms where they will prepare and organise our uniform swap for families to access. As a reminder, on weekends, the church is open for families to access uniform stored there.

Music Lessons

Our remaining music lessons day for this term is Friday 4th April (instead of Tuesday 1st April). After Easter, our music lessons will take place on Thursdays.





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End of Term

As a reminder, school will close at the end of the day on Friday 4th April for the Easter break. We will return to school on **Tuesday 22nd** April, following Easter Monday.

Have a great weekend!

Mr Cooper

Attendance:

Our attendance this week was: 97.9%

Our attendance this year: 96.1%

National average for this year: 94.8%

Year Group winners: Reception, Year 1, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6!

We are currently ranked 131st out of 293 schools in North Yorkshire.

Last week's reading winners

Oaks: No draw due to teacher training day however there will be a double draw this week.

Acorns: Archie

Stars of the week

Acorns: Benjamin - for suggesting great ways to look after our environment during geography lessons this week.

Oaks: Rue – for always being an inquisitive learner as well as thoughtful and kind to everyone.

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 Jo Kevan (01287 660496 or jkevan@yeat.co.uk)

Next Week's Events

Monday

Drama club with Miss Searle & Mrs Moore

Acorns PE lessons please arrive in appropriate kit/footwear

Oaks River Trip please arrive in appropriate kit/footwear

Tuesday

Year 3/4 Forest School please arrive in appropriate kit/footwear

Year 5/6 Netball Event

Art Club for Acorns with Mrs Garbutt

Wednesday

Year 6 Booster Club with Mrs Wardell

Thursday

Choir Club with Miss Wilson

Friday

Oaks PE

Music Lessons with Mrs Lillie



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Headteacher timetable		
	Morning	Afternoon
Mon	Castleton	Glaisdale
Tues	Lythe	Goathland
Weds	Supporting School in Scarborough	
Thurs	Lythe	
Fri	Castleton	Goathland

Future Diary Dates

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

March

31/03: Oaks Geography River Trip

April

01/04: Year 5/6 Netball event

01/04: Year 3/4 Forest School

04/04: End of term

19/04: Year 6 Coffee Morning (Edinburgh Fundraiser)

21/04: Easter Monday (school closed)

22/04: Children return to school (Tuesday)

24/04: Stay and Play

28/04: Year 5/6 Forest School

29/04: Whole school swimming sessions begin

May

08/05: VE Day Commemorations

12/05: Y5/6 Forest School

12/05-16/05: Y6 SATs Week

19/05: Year 3/4 Forest School

21/05: Acorns Danby Moors Centre Trip

21/05: Cricket Engagement Day

22/05: Library Van

22/05: Gospel Choir Concert (6pm)

23/05: Year 5/6 Climbing Trip

June

02/06-13/06: Y4 Multiplication Check

02/06: Year 3/4 Forest School

09/06: Year 5/6 Forest School

11/06: School photos

16/06: Year 3/4 Forest School

17-18/06: Year 6 Edinburgh Trip

20/06: Cycling Event for selected pupils

23/06: Year 5/6 Forest School

25/06: Oaks Summer Performance (Evening)

26/06: Oaks Summer Performance (Afternoon)

30/06: Sports Day (Provisional)

June: Y1 phonics screening

July

02/07: Oaks Author Visit (TBC)

07/07: Year 3/4/5 Forest School

07-11/07: Whitby School Transition Week

14/07: Whole school beach day

16/07: Year 6 Crucial Crew (TBC)

17/07: Library Van

18/07: Leavers' Assembly



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Remaining Term Dates 2024/25

- 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

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

Term Dates 2025/2026

- Staff Training Day – Monday 1st September 2025
- Staff Training Day – Tuesday 2nd September 2025
- First day of Autumn Term – Wednesday 3rd September 2025
- Half-term – Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October 2025
- End of Autumn Term – Friday 19th December 2025
- Training Day – Monday 5th January 2026
- Half-term – Monday Half Term - Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February 2026
- Staff Training Day - Friday 13th March 2026
- Last day of Spring Term - Friday 27th March 2026
- First day of Summer Term – Monday 13th April 2026
- Bank Holiday – Monday 4th May 2026
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