



NEWSLETTER



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Message from Mrs Hird

A huge well done to our Year 6 pupils who took their SATs this week. We are all very proud of their hard work and determination. Thank you to all the staff and to Mrs Kevan, school governor, for their help in supervising the tests.

I spent some very enjoyable time in class this week during computing lessons. Our Reception children were programming Beebots in the garden and making predictions about where the Beebot would travel to; Key Stage 1 children gave some really sensible advice on how to stay safe online before moving onto a coding activity; and our Oaks were using Sketch School to create 3D lettering. The children were very confident in talking about their learning and demonstrating their technical knowledge.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Hird

Thank you!

It has been lovely to see members of Team Castleton receiving postcards (designed by YEAT pupils) thanking them for their contribution to the school and trust. If you would like to say thank you to anyone in the team, please fill out the short online form here:

<https://www.castletonprimaryschool.co.uk/say-thank-you/>

All messages are read by our CEO or Chair of Trustees, who then pass your kind words onto the relevant recipient.

Attendance: This week's attendance was **93.81%**, so below our target of at least **97%**.

News from the Classes

As part of Mental Health Awareness Week, we have been discussing ways that we can improve our mental health wellbeing and know who we can talk to if we need support. Whether it is listening to music or embracing nature, everyone had a strategy to share. We also talked about the importance of sleep and having a healthy bedtime routine.

Stars of the Week:



Acorn star of the week is **Robyn** for making thoughtful contributions to class discussions and for excellent reading comprehension skills.

Oak star of the week is **Jasmine** for super listening and effort with independent writing.



Oak Japan Club

Japan Club has now been running for three weeks and what an exciting time it has been! 🇯🇵 They have learnt some Japanese, worn yukata, tried origami, eaten lots of Japanese sweets, competed in the Chopstick Challenge and this week they tried their hand at Taiko drumming!



PTFA News

The PTFA met this week and please note the following:-

- The final week of each half term is going to be a **'Uniform Week.'** At the end of school each day, second hand uniform will be available in the playground (weather permitting) for parents to look through. Therefore, if you have outgrown uniform at home please bring it in **next week** so it can be included in this half term's uniform 'Swap Shop' commencing Monday, 23rd May.
- A **Beetle Drive** is being arranged for **Monday, 13th June** from 6 to 7pm in the Village Hall. There will be a raffle so donations of prizes will be welcome please and these can be left at school.
- Look out in the **Co-op** for the collection bucket that is going to be raising money for the PTFA.

Choir News

Sponsored Sing on Friday, 10th June

The Choir are 'Singing for Syrians' on Friday, 10th June at various locations around the village – please see the enclosed for details. If you would like a poster to display please see Miss Wilson.

CD

Please remember to get your orders in for the Choir's second CD 'Stand by Me', payment to be made through MCAS.

September new starters - Stay and Play Sessions on Wednesday, 18th and Monday, 23rd May

We are holding sessions on the above days from 1.30pm to 3pm for children who are due to start school in September and relevant parents have received details. Please confirm if you are attending.

Whitby Music Centre Open Morning - Saturday, 21st May

Please see the enclosed details of the Whitby Music Centre Open Morning on Saturday, 21st May at Whitby Sixth Form, which sets out a timetable of the various instrumental and singing groups.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations at Danby Beacon, Thursday, 2nd June

We have been asked to share the following information with you:-

If you and your families would like to witness the Lighting of Danby Beacon, to mark the Queens Platinum Jubilee, then the details are as follows:-

- 9.15pm latest time of arrival at the Beacon
- 9.35pm Piper to play 'Diu Regnare'
- 9.40pm Bugle Call – 'Majesty'
- 9.45pm Lighting of the Beacon by Lord or Lady Downe, to the accompaniment of local choirs singing a Commonwealth Song/Anthem.
- 10.00pm depart.

The children can listen to and learn the chorus to the Commonwealth Song if they wish and participate by singing alongside others at the Beacon event. Below is the link to it:-

<https://youtu.be/leRoEyco9Gc>

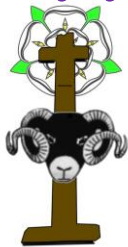
Eskdale Festival - Art Competition

Below are details of a Competition to design a cover for the Eskdale Festival Syllabus and Programme:-

*We need a new cover for the syllabus and programme for the Eskdale Festival in Whitby. Do you love drawing and painting? Could you design our cover? The design should be in colour and include some of the things that happen during the Festival, such as instrumental music, singing, dancing or drama. Please use an A4 size piece of paper. There is a prize of £25 for the winner, and another £25 for your school. The closing date for entries is **24th June**. Make sure your name and school are clearly written on the back of your work and send to Mrs. S Rowland, Rose Cottage, Stainsacre, Whitby YO22 4NT.*



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Next Week

- Monday** PE for Acorn pupils. Please remember kit.
- Tuesday** Music Lessons with Alix Lillie. Please remember instruments.
- Wednesday** All pupils **Outdoor learning**. Children to come to school dressed in warm outdoor clothing, including gloves, waterproofs and wellies.
Stay and Play for September new starters, 1.30 to 3pm
Oak Japan Club after school. Finish time 4.30pm
- Thursday** Choir after school. Finish time 4.15pm.
- Friday** PE for Oak pupils. Please remember kit.
Y1&2 Sport Club after school. Finish time 4.15pm.