



# MARCH NEWSLETTER

Another busy half term has come to an end. We have celebrated World Book Day and Comic Relief and enjoyed workshops from Holly Sterling, a local author and illustrator. We have continued to enjoy yoga with Debbie and look forward to working with her again next year. The Y4 children are already planning for their trip to Newby Wiske next term and are really looking forward to it.

## HELLOS

After the Easter break Mrs Maylia will be back teaching Year 2 every morning while Mrs Robinson is on maternity leave and she will continue with her other classes as normal.

We have 3 Nursery children joining the Turtle class after Easter.

## REWARDS

Our children have been working hard in class this term and earning beads in a jar for their achievements. They have all managed to reach their targets and earned themselves a class reward. The children chose their own reward. The Turtles have had a non uniform day, the Elephants and Monkeys have had a movie with popcorn and ice cream and the Zebras have had a pizza party.

## EASTER EGG COMPETITION

We had some eggstremely imaginative entries for our decorated egg competition and it was so difficult to pick the winners. After a lot of deliberation we felt the most eggcellent eggs were:

Y4 Emily and Heath

Y3 Easton and Molly

Y2 Jack and Fallon

Y1 Spencer and Lola

Rec Jamie and Daniel

Nursery George and Sophie

## FRIENDS OF ROTHBURY FIRST SCHOOL

We had our AGM last week. Thank you to the three extra parents who turned up that meant we had a grand total of 6.

Huge thank yous to Jill, Sue and David who have been the committee for a number of years and have organised and run many fundraising events for the children. Their roles have sadly come to an end.

We hope to continue to run events and have some treats for the children such as school discos and movie nights, trips to the theatre etc but without parent volunteers this might not be possible for much longer. If you can volunteer to help with just one event or occasionally can offer help please speak with Ann Deary-Francis, Lindsay Foggin or Anna Sturrock

## COMIC RELIEF

Dress to make you happy meant we had all sorts of dressing up outfits on the day and we raised £63. Thank you for your donations. The children and parents were very inventive wearing hats related to book characters.

## PARENTS EVENING

It was lovely to see so many of you at our parents' evening. Apologies again for the glitches in the system and the long waiting times, hopefully the next one will run more smoothly. We hope you found your discussions with teachers useful. Please contact your child's class teacher if you were unable to make the meeting and would like to arrange a time to speak to them.

## COMMUNITY LUNCHES

Our lunches this term have been very popular. Our governors and parish councillors were invited and then each week we invited 1 grandparent of each child from one class. After Easter it will be the turn of Y4 children and a grandparent.

## TODDLER FOREST SCHOOL & FOREST SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLUB

Toddler forest school continues on a Monday morning with Toni Dick who also runs our in-school forest school sessions each Wednesday. Toni is also running a holiday club. Her contact details are on the poster below should you wish to make a booking.

### Forest School Toddlers

**At Rothbury First School - Every Monday (term time)**  
**10am - 11:30am**  
**£5 per child, £3 for additional sibling. £2 under 12months**  
**No need to book - just turn up!**  
**Tea/coffee for adults and campfire treats for little ones.**



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### FOREST HOLIDAY CLUB (Rothbury)

**Wednesday**  
**12th April**  
**9:30am - 3:30pm**

Make new friends, explore nature,  
use tools safely, take risks, den  
build and fire lighting  
plus much more!

**Reception to  
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## SUMMER TERM 1

**OUTDOOR LEARNING/PE:** Y3/4 children will require their PE kit on a Wednesday and Thursday. Nursery and Reception will be doing outdoor learning on a Friday afternoon and will need their PE kit on Thursday afternoon. Year 1 and Year 2 will be swimming on a Wednesday and will need their PE kit on a Friday.

## TRIDENT

This will continue next half term from starting on **Thursday 20th April 3.15 - 4.15pm**. If you require wrap around care after football, please book by text to the usual number.

## CLUBS

**Choir** Our after school choir will begin on **Monday 17th April from 3.15 - 4.15pm**. It will be run by James Tait. The cost will be £3 per session and should be paid to school either by cheque or cash. If you would like your child to go to the wraparound service afterwards please book as usual.

**Sewing club** There is a lunchtime sewing club running on Wednesdays. This has been very well attended and will continue after the Easter holidays.

**Eco club.** One of our Y3 girls will be running an eco lunch time club after the holidays. Molly Evans came up with the idea and has lots of activities planned for a lucky group of 10 children.

## DATES FOR NEXT HALF TERM

Date	Class	Event
18th April 2023 9am	Year 4 parents	Newby Wiske Residential Information Meeting
Thursday 20th April	All Classes	Mental Health and Wellbeing workshops
Thursday 20th April	R-Y4	Trident Football Starts
Monday 24th April	All Classes	Dogs Trust Workshops
Friday 5th May	All children and families	Coronation Celebration Further details to follow
Wednesday 10th- Friday 12th May	Y4	Newby Wiske Residential
Saturday 13th May		PTA Car Boot Sale
Wednesday 24th May	All classes and families	Sports Day

Also, an advanced date for your diaries. We have scheduled our leavers concert for Thursday 20th July. This will be held at school with a morning or afternoon option available.

## WRAPAROUND

Our wraparound service continues to be well used. If you require any wrap around care, please text **07776 945623**. This is checked regularly between the hours of 7.30am-5.30pm Monday - Friday. A parental permission/contact form needs to be completed if you wish to use the service. **If you have any requests for the first week back, all messages will be picked up on Friday 14th April between 1-5pm.**

## SEASONAL ILLNESS

We have seen increasing numbers of people affected by seasonal illnesses, such as diarrhoea and vomiting, influenza and scarlet fever. We are also seeing rising cases of hand, foot and

mouth in school and in order to reduce the risk of catching these common bugs please keep your child off school if they are very unwell. In school children wash their hands frequently and extra cleaning of shared areas is in place.

**WEATHER:**

Please ensure that your child has a waterproof coat. We will still have outdoor play times in the rain.

We look forward to welcoming all the children back to school at 8.45am on **Monday 17th April.**

We wish you all a happy and relaxing Easter break

Mrs C Auld and Mrs H Duffield

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