

OJS

Friday

Newsletter

8th July 2022



CARING ABOUT TODAY, CREATING SUCCESSFUL TOMORROWS.

SUMMER TERM 2022

Headteacher's Message

This week, our fabulous Year 6 pupils entertained the school community with their many amazing talents at the OJS Mix show. All the rehearsals really paid off and I am very proud of all our children for giving such brilliant performances. It is lovely to be getting back to our normal wider events both inside and outside of school and doing so alongside parents. Our success in sport continues and what an achievement from our Year 6 cricket team – reaching the Yorkshire county grand final and placing third overall! What a talented team and great sporting ambassadors for our school.

Next week, we are looking forward to welcoming our new Year 3 pupils on Transition Day and for our pupils to spend a day with their new class teacher. Pupils moving onto Harrogate Grammar and St. Aidan's, will also be visiting their secondary schools next week. An exciting time of year for all pupils as they look forward to the new chapter in their journey through school.

Scarth Celebrations

This week we celebrated PE and Sport in years 5 & 6. We are really proud of how our pupils are representing our school in Yorkshire Cricket, at the Oatlands Infant school sports day and at Swimming. Congratulations to James, Connie, Barney, Lucas, Luke and Abi.

Achievement Awards

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
<u>Owls</u> Lyla Lily	<u>Grizzly Bears</u> Lucy Arun	<u>Lemurs</u> Ruby George	Well done to all of Year 6 for a fantastic end of year performance. The OJS Mix was so entertaining and your audiences loved the show. Well done for all of your hard work!
<u>Foxes</u> Bella Edo	<u>Snow Leopards</u> Evie Polly	<u>Macaws</u> Freya Emma	
<u>Badgers</u> Sam Elliot	<u>Falcons</u> Sam Amelia	<u>Tigers</u> David Max	

House Points

This week's winners are the **Yellow Hammers** with **681** points, well done.

Here are the running totals so far for this term:

Red Kites	Blue Jays	Green Kingfishers	Yellow Hammers
3306	2949	3294	3067

TT Rock Stars!

This term our new focus is the 'Most Improved'! I will be looking at your initial rock speed and comparing it your current rock speed. Good luck everyone 😊

This week's winners are:

<u>Year 3</u>	<u>Year 4</u>	<u>Year 5</u>	<u>Year 6</u>
Jacob (Owls)	Freddie (Grizzly Bears)	Harry (Lemurs)	Harry (Cheetahs)

Reading Passports!

A huge congratulations to Jessica in the Snow Leopards class who has completed her Reading Passport. Well done!

Exciting new books for our library

You may remember us celebrating the essay-writing success of Samantha in Badgers class earlier in the term. Samantha entered and won a writing competition run by Harrogate Ladies College for which she wrote about her admiration for Mary Seacole. Her well-deserved prize was a book token for herself and for school. Samantha was invited to one of our Librarians meetings as she had lots of great ideas about what to buy for the OJS library with her token.

Here are the beautiful books we selected with Samantha's help – they are sure to be very popular!



Plea for additional reading materials...



We would love to diversify the range of reading materials we have in our class book corners so that children can choose things like comics, magazines and newspapers as well as books.

If anyone has subscribed to a children's publication in the past and is planning a clear out, please consider donating old issues to school. I have certainly found an enthusiastic home in our book corners for my sons' vast collection of Phoenix comics!

Many thanks, Mrs Wilkinson

Creating cultures in Science Club!

Where do *you* think you would find the most microbes in school: on a handwriting pen, a computer keyboard or even Fish the Fox? Science Club have this week been testing the places they believe to be the bountiful in bacteria! We made our predictions, using scientific reasoning to inform our ideas, then started swabbing the spots we had chosen. We are growing our cultures on a mix of jelly and Bisto and are eagerly awaiting the results of our investigation!



Miss Allenby

Yorkshire Schools Cricket Final

Our Y6 team attended the Yorkshire Schools Cricket Final this week. In total there were fourteen other qualifying teams from different parts of Yorkshire taking part. After making it through their group in the morning rounds, they progressed through to a quarter final against Baildon. Having won this, they faced Todmorden in the semi-final. After a hard fought match, Tordmordon won and went on to win in

the final. Our team played brilliantly and did so well to finish in 3rd place! Well done to Barney, Lucas, Freddie, Lenny, Ewan, Milo, Luke, Sami, Tom and Thomas. They fostered a great team spirit and encouraged each other all the way.



Tag Rugby at HGS

Last week we took some of our Y6s to play Tag Rugby at Harrogate Grammar. We played several friendly matches against teams from Rossett Acre and Western primary schools. It was a chance to play on the HGS 1st team pitch and to meet some of the HGS sports leaders. The matches were all competitively played and our participants enjoyed the challenge! Well done Theo, Jay, Freddie, Archie, Luke, Hassan, Lucas, Mohamad, Sami, Lenny, Raf and Freddie.



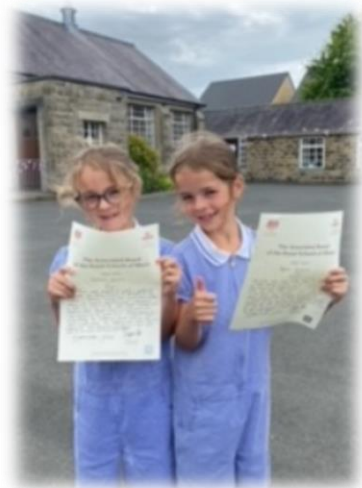
Gymnastics Success



Seb (Yr 5 Macaws) won a gold medal when competing in the regional club level 2 tumbling competition for ages 9-10. The competition was held at Durham City Gymnastics Club on Saturday 2nd July and Seb was representing Harrogate Gymnastics Club. Congratulations Seb!

Practice makes perfect for the Foxes' pianists!

Huge congratulations to Florence and Bella in the Foxes, who on Wednesday took their piano exam. The girls had to learn and play five different pieces of music and impressed their examiner with their hard work and the polished performances they delivered! Well done, Florence and Bella – we are all very proud of your effort and success!



Miss Allenby

More music success!

Holly, in Meerkats, has passed her Grade 4 Jazz Piano exam, achieving a distinction. This is no mean feat Holly and we are exceptionally proud of you! We look forward to hearing you sharing some of your pieces with us over the next couple of weeks.



Mrs Ritchie

Dates for Year 6!

It is a very fun-filled and busy term for Year 6, so here are a few dates for your diaries:

Woodland Adventure Day (in school)- Friday 8th July and Monday 18th July
 Harrogate Grammar School Transition Days- Tuesday 12th-Thursday 14th July
 St Aidan's School Transition Day- Thursday 14th July
 Year 6 Leavers Service- Thursday 21st July

Final details for each of the events will be communicated in due course. Thank you!

Calendar of Events

Tue 5 th	Y6 Production, afternoon to grandparents and 6:30pm to parents
Wed 6 th	Y6 Production 6:30pm to parents
Fri 8 th & Mon 18 th	Woodland Adventure Day in school
Tues 12 th & 14 th	HGS Transition Day
Thurs 14 th	Transition Day & St Aidan's Transition Day
Fri 15 th	Annual End of Year Reports will be emailed
Tue 19 th	End of Year Report- Open Parent Consultation 3:45-5pm
Wed 20 th	Y6 PTA organized Leaver Meal – Al Bivios 4:30pm to 7pm
Thurs 21 st	Y6 Leavers' Service 2:30pm . PTA Disco after school
Fri 22nd	End of term. School closes for Summer holiday at 2:30pm. PTA non-uniform day.

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Year 6 Leavers' Meal - Al Bivios Wed 20th July 4.30-7pm. Tickets £9, available on Classlist. Price includes a selection of pizza, pasta, dough balls and ice cream, plus a photobooth with printable photos to take home!

Sponsored Park Run – Sunday 10th July:

Good luck to all the children and adults taking part in the sponsored park run this Sunday to fundraise, to help us get closer to our target for the new trim trail. Also a big thank you

to everyone who has volunteered as Marshall's and to those who have organised this! Volunteers to please meet at 8.30am and runners at 8.50am outside the Magnesia Well Cafe in Valley Gardens. Runners please don't forget your scannable barcodes so you can get your time! Fruit will be provided after the run, which has been kindly donated by a parent in year 4. Any monies raised to be handed into school by 22nd July. Have fun everyone and let's hope the sun is shining for it! ☀

Year 5/6 movie night:

> It sounds like the year 5/6 movie night was a great success last week and all the children thoroughly enjoyed it! A huge thank you to the volunteers who arranged this event for all of your hard work and to those who volunteered on the night. We really appreciate your support! 😊

Have a great weekend everyone. Your PTA x