

# FOSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL BULLETIN

Welcome back everyone. We are really excited to begin the summer term and look forward to some, hopefully, warmer weather. As usual we will have a host of fun activities across the summer term including our fantastic Friday which will focus on our school jubilee celebrations. Watch this space for more details.

The week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> May will see our year 6 children undertake their KS2 SATS tests. As usual we will endeavour to make this as enjoyable a week as possible for the children. The timetable for the SATS tests is below for your information.

The key stage 2 tests are timetabled from Monday 9 May to Thursday 12 May 2022, they will be completed each morning.

Date	Activity
Monday 9 May 2022	English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2
Tuesday 10 May 2022	English reading
Wednesday 11 May 2022	Mathematics papers 1 and 2
Thursday 12 May 2022	Mathematics paper 3

If you have any concerns or queries regarding these please do not hesitate to contact me or your child's class teacher.

## **Nursery & Reception**

Over the past half term the children have been caring for our caterpillars exploring their life cycle. We have been carefully watching as the caterpillars grew, formed chrysalises and then finally emerged as butterflies. This week the children were very excited to release the butterflies into the wild. We were even lucky enough that the butterflies stayed with us for a short time allowing the children to closely look at the beautiful patterns and marks. Some children were even able to hold a butterfly! This half term our topic in EYFS is 'Rainforests' focussing on learning about the different animals that live in the Rainforest and comparing different countries around the world to where we live. We are reading the story 'How to Find a Fruit Bat' learning about fruit bats and also continuing our learning around healthy eating. In PSHÉ the children will be focussing on the importance of honesty and how to keep ourselves safe, linked to road safety and being a safe pedestrian. You could help your child at home by reading stories around the rainforest and discussing together what it is like there.



## **Year 1 & 2**

This half term in KS1 we are doing lots of exciting new topics. In Science we are learning about sound and hearing and we have gone on a sound walk for this and heard lots of interesting sounds. In English we are learning about the Storm Whale which links into our learning about our local area. We are also looking at Geometry in maths which we are looking forward to too. We had a lovely fantastic Friday last term. We had a great time walking around the stadium and enjoyed our ball games in the afternoon.

## **Year 3 & 4**

This half term our topic is 'Our Wonderful Community'. We will be using geographical skills to learn all about our local community. Science involves investigating living things and in RE we will be asking whether it is better to express religion in arts and architecture or in charity and generosity. Our book this half term is 'Gorilla' by Anthony Browne and the children have already made some fantastic predictions about the story.

## **Year 5 & 6**

Our topic this half term is Our Wonderful Community – we will be exploring all the great things about Foston and the surrounding areas while building on our map reading skills using ordinance survey maps.

In English we have begun to explore our new book "A Town by the sea" by Joanne Schwartz, the story depicts the legacy of a mining town through the eyes of a young boy destined to become a miner in the footsteps of his father.

In Maths we are calculating angles in shapes and exploring the process of finding missing angles.

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### **Fantastic Friday!**

To celebrate Fantastic Friday before the Easter holidays the children visited the new stadium and the home of York City Football Club. The children were very excited to travel by coach and to visit the stadium. The children were all able to complete a sports session and be given a full tour of the stadium. It was exciting to see the different parts and to be able to walk through the tunnel onto the pitch.

Thank you for all your donations, as a school we have raised £1117.25 for our school charity Candlelighters.



### **PAFFS Tuck Shop, Friday 29th April**

It's the last Friday of the month which means tuck shop in the playground after school. This month there will be tasty cakes & bakes available, all £1 each raising funds for a library at Foston School, bring a little change this evening & enjoy a tasty Friday treat.

### **Spring Raffle Tickets**

In book bags this week you will find books of raffle tickets for the PAFFS Spring raffle, raising funds for a library at Foston School.

We hope there is something for everyone, Grannies, Grandads, Aunts, Uncles, friends & of course parents & children, with fantastic prizes including, passes to The Yorkshire Arboretum, Murton Park and Castle Howard, Afternoon Tea at Sandburn Hall, a Great British Pub Card, vouchers for various local businesses including Groovy Moo, The Stone Trough Inn & Peagreen Pottery plus many more.

Tickets are £1 each or £5 per book, if you are able to sell any of these we would really appreciate your support, if not please return them to school via your class teacher and we'll try to sell them elsewhere.

The draw will take place after school on Friday 27th May 2022, in the playground, when there will be tuck shop ice creams & ice lollies available from 3.15pm.

**Please return all counterfoils, monies & unsold tickets either to a member of the PAFFS team or via your class teacher no later than TUESDAY 24TH MAY 2022.**

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## KS1 Arboretum Trip

This trip has been added to your ParentPay account—all information can be found on the bulletin sent before the holidays.

## Parish Council

Please see attached document regarding a parish council community drop-in event.

## Keeping Children Safe Online

Please see attached document regarding keeping children safe online.

## Malton School

Please see attached document for information regarding year 5 experience days at Malton School.

## After School Club

Please can a place at Forest Schools be booked for the half term.

Day	Leading	Activity
Monday	Mr Marshall	Choosing
Tuesday	Mrs Dale	Outdoor Activities
Wednesday	Mr Dias-Leo / Mr Marshall	Kahoot Quiz
Thursday	Miss Cooke	Forest Schools
Friday	Mr Falkingham	Cricket.

## Diary Dates

<b>Friday 29th April</b>	PAFFS tuck shop
<b>Friday 29th April</b>	May Bank Holiday, last day at school
<b>Tuesday 3rd May</b>	First day back at school after bank holiday
<b>Friday 6th May</b>	KS1 Arboretum trip
<b>Friday 27th May, school pick up</b>	PAFFS raffle draw
<b>Friday 27th May</b>	Summer half term, last day at school
<b>Monday 6th June</b>	First day back at school after summer half term
<b>Friday 22nd July</b>	Summer holidays, last day at school