

# FOSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL BULLETIN

## Nursery & Reception

This week the children in Nursery and Reception have loved exploring nature in our outdoor area on the field recently and were really excited to find a toad! The children then hunted around for different Minibeasts under the logs talking about the habitats of different animals. "They like to live under logs". The children then tried to create their own habitat for the animals, considering what they look like and need to survive. This led beautifully into conversations around lifecycles of frogs/ toads. "Tadpoles grow into little baby frogs or baby toads and then they grow into mummies or daddies, frogspawn turns into tadpoles".



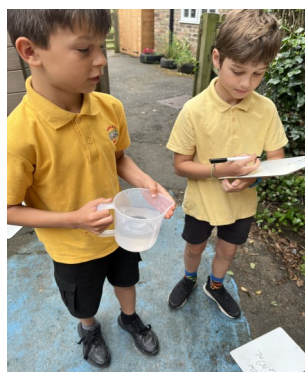
## Year 1 & 2

We have been exploring mass this week as part of our topic on measurements. The children have really enjoyed this topic and it's allowed them to really get involved with their learning. This week they used their knowledge of mass to make biscuits, something that they were really successful at.



## Year 3 & 4

We have been learning and consolidating our knowledge of measurement, specifically capacity in Class 3. The children used their knowledge of millilitres and litres to estimate, measure and compare capacity. They could identify the difference between capacity and volume using this to solve simple capacity problems. The year 4 also converted measurements when necessary.



## Year 5 & 6

This week in Class 4 it was our year 5's turn to go to Malton for a transition visit. They had great fun burning different chemicals in Science, making key rings and even acting out a scene from The Lion King. Back in school we have been practising our songs for our play as well as adding in some movements and acting in our scenes.

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## Transition Days

On Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July and Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July, we will be holding transition days in school, where the children will have a day in their new classes, and for some, their new teachers. The teachers will be leading fun 'get to know you' activities.

***For one of our transition day activities, Mrs Richmond and Mrs Scaife ask for the new year 1 children (reception) and new year 2 children (year 1) to bring an item/picture that is special to them to share with the class.***

## Staffing Update

We have the lovely news to share that Mrs Richmond is expecting her second child in November. I know you will join us in congratulating her. We look forward to meeting the newest member of our Foston family. We are currently advertising for cover for her maternity leave and will update you when we have recruited for this role.

In addition, Mr Carlisle's return to Belfast has been postponed and we are delighted that he has agreed to accept a part-time teaching position as KS2 teacher at Stillington Primary School, remaining within our federation.

## Message from Vicki Allon - Pastoral Lead

I had the pleasure of being in one of our schools last week where the children were talking about kindness, and I was blown away with the things they were saying that it got me thinking about the little things in life. It costs nothing to be kind. A smile, a thank you, a word of appreciation can spark happiness that even money can't buy and it does not only work wonders for the receiver but the giver as well. I used to think that kindness is genetic. You are either born with it or not, but what if we can teach ourselves to be kinder?

So the children inspired me to have a look at some post- that we could display around our schools, here are a couple along with one of our KS2 children's own words kindness. So if you're stood in a queue in the supermarket or even in the playground, just remember a simple smile or hello can work wonders, we never know what someone is going through. Between us we can help our children show kindness and treat others how we would want to be treated.



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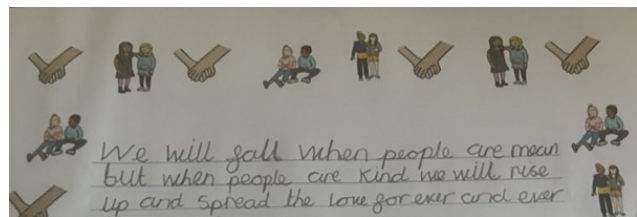
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It only takes a split second to smile and forget, yet to someone that needed it, it can last a lifetime

- Steve Maraboli

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## Message from PAFFS

A massive THANK YOU for being part of the PAFFS community.

With your support, whether that's been kindly opening your wallets or by helping out at school or PAFFS events, we have managed to enhance the learning experiences at Foston School, in so many ways.

Including purchasing the Drama equipment, so that the children & the audience can hear the performances, t-shirts for Drama events, a new costume for the Nativity, Christmas presents, leavers presents, as well as contributing towards several school trips for all years. This is on top of us all being part of a community with Foston school at the heart.

We also still have money set aside for the new library within the school property, which will hopefully be in use by all in the very near future.

Every £1 spent at tuck shop or at events really does go to enhance all the children's experiences during their time at Foston school, so THANK YOU!

From Ness, Faye, Helen, Sarah & Vicky

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## Diary Dates

Reception Transition Meeting	Monday 3rd July, 3.30pm
Whole School Transition Day	Monday 3rd July, All Day
Sports Day (Stillington Village Hall)	Tuesday 4th July (reserve day 6th July), 1pm
Whole School Transition afternoon	Thursday 6th July, PM
KS2 Performance - dress rehearsal (Thornton-le-Clay village hall)	Thursday 13th July, 1.30pm
EYFS Askham Bryan Wildlife Park Trip	Wednesday 12th July
KS2 Performance (Thornton-le-Clay village hall)	Thursday 13th July, 5.30pm
Dalby Forest Trip (year 1 & 2 only)	Friday 14th July
Quidditch Day (years 1-6 only)	Tuesday 18th July
Y6 Leavers' Service (Thornton-le-Clay village hall)	Wednesday 19th July, 2.30pm
End of Year Picnic	Wednesday 19th July, 5-7pm
<b>Holiday Dates (last day at school)</b>	<b>Friday 21st July, 1pm finish for ALL children</b>
School Photos (individual/siblings)	Friday 15th September