#### Nursery and Reception

This week in Nursery and Reception we have been learning all about 'Spring'! The children enjoyed going on a walk around the local area to spot the different signs of Spring we could see and find. We found daffodils, crocuses, snowdrops, blossom, buds and much more. We also have been learning how to use watercolour paints before using these to complete an observational painting of daffodils. I was very impressed by how well the children tried and concentrated with their paintings.



#### Year 1 & 2

What an action packed week we've had! On Monday we enjoyed a visit to the Methodist Chapel where friendly volunteers talked us through reflective spaces linked to Easter. The children really valued the opportunity to enjoy the peaceful environment. On our return to school we had a drama session with Audrie including working in groups to re-create mornings in a family home. Tuesday saw a change of pace as we had a day full of sporting activities; favourites being trampolining and archery. A huge thank you to Miss Cooke for organising this event. Mrs Scaife and Mrs Caddy have enjoyed sharing with parents all the wonderful work Class 2 children have done over the year so far.

#### Sports Enhancement Day

KS1 and KS2 had a superb day at Stillington for our Sports Enhancement Day. We tried different jumping techniques on mini trampolines, used our hockey skills to try score against Mrs Gibson, and shot arrows in archery. Thank you Miss Cooke for organising a wonderful event!



#### **Foston Clubs**

Please find below our extra-curricular clubs for next half term. To book a place, please email the school office. For our extracurricular clubs, these will now be available on a block basis only. Wrap around care is also available with Mrs Gibson, Miss Cooke and Mrs Dale.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Club	SATS Club	Energy Club	Just Dance
		Rounders & Cricket	
Leading Adult	Mr Marshall	Total Sports	Stacey
Time	3.15-4.15pm	3.15-4.15pm	3.15-4.15pm
No. of sessions	4	7	7
Age	Year 6	Key Stage 1 & 2	Years 2-6
		(years 1 -6)	
Cost for the block	Free	£21	£31.50
Maximum	4	20	18

#### **Reminders**

#### Wrap Around Care

Please can we ask that you book for wrap around care as soon as possible to avoid disappointment, **Tuesday after** school club is full.

#### School Arrival

Please can we remind families that the school gate is open between 8.45-9am on arrival to school. The gate will need promptly shutting at 9am to ensure the school site is secure. **If arriving after 9am, children will need to be handed over to a staff member at the school gate instead. The staff member will then take them to class.** 

#### **EYFS Easter Service**

Due to unforeseen circumstances the EYFS Easter Service has been postponed, this will be rearranged and we will notify you as soon as a date has been confirmed. We apologise for any inconveniences this may cause.

#### KS1 & KS2 Easter Service

The church service at **Foston Church** will be for our KS1 and KS2 classes (Mr Marshall, Mr Yip, Mrs Caddy and Mrs Scaife classes) and their parents on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 2:30pm**.

#### Sharing Assembly

On **Wednesday 20th March, 9.10am** we will be having our sharing assembly. All parents are welcome to join us to celebrate the pupils achievements this term. If your child is receiving a certificate there will be a note in their planner.

#### Fantastic Friday

On **Thursday the 21st of March** the children will be taking part in a first aid class as part of our Fantastic Friday for this half term. A company will be coming in to deliver an age-appropriate session to the children and then they will spend some time later in the day practicing their new skills. This is a wonderful opportunity for our children, they will be learning lots of interesting new skills and we are really excited to be able to offer this. There will be a voluntary contribution of £4 per child on Parent pay to help towards the costs of this course, this enables us to continue offering these lovely opportunities. The children will receive a certificate when they have successfully completed the course and will hopefully really enjoy themselves too.

#### Poetry Workshop with Nunnington Hall—KS1 & KS2

As a school we are excited to take part in The Festival of Blossom, a National Trust—wide celebration of nature and creativity. A visitor from Nunnington Hall will be visiting our schools to lead a poetry and origami workshop. The aim is to inspire your pupils to write their own poetry, and give them the materials and guidance to create 'poetry blossoms': origami flowers folded out of their own handwritten poems. These will then be displayed in a mass art piece at Nunnington Hall from the 23rd April. Please provide consent prior to the event for Nunnington Hall to use your child's photograph and/or audio of their poetry performance in their art gallery display.

These will take place at Terrington and Stillington schools on Monday 18th March and Foston on 10th April.

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#### Helping Children with their Emotional Health and Wellbeing - Developing Healthy Sleep Patterns

Quality sleep is paramount for wellbeing as it impacts our cognitive function, emotional balance and overall health. A World Health Organisation study highlighted that 44% of young people reported difficulty sleeping—potentially affecting their mood, concentration and immune system. Please find attached a poster that offers expert tips for helping children to sleep more healthily.

### PAFFS Family Quiz Night

Please see below/attached a poster advertising the PAFFS Family Quiz Night which our own teachers; Mr Marshall, Mr Yip & Mr Dias-Leao (Terrington teacher) will be leading the night as our quiz masters. This event is open to all families, so grab parents, kids, the grandparents etc. and prepare your general knowledge. There will be both kids vs adults rounds and family rounds. Tickets are £3 per person. A supper of chilli or hot dog and a bar for the adults will be available on the night at an additional cost. Please see PAFFS for more info and to purchase tickets.



### Sunday 21st April 4:30 - 6:30pm

Thornton-le-Clay Village Hall



### Tickets £3 per person (child/adult)

Also available on the night at an additional cost:

- SUPPER chilli\* or hot dog\* (sold during the interval)
- BAR A bar for the adults. Kids squash (free)

\* supper also includes veggie chilli, veggie hot dogs & gluten free buns

- Limited Tickets -

Diar	y Dates	
KS2 Dentist Visit	Wednesday 20th Match	
Sharing Assembly	Wednesday 20th March, 9.10am Wednesday 22nd May, 9.10am Wednesday 17th July, 9.10am	
Easter Service (KS1 & KS2, Foston Church)	Wednesday 20th March, 2.30pm	
Easter Service (EYFS, Methodist Chapel)	POSTPONED	
Fantastic Friday (Thursday) — First Aid Training	Thursday 21st March	
Easter	Friday 22nd March (last day at school) Tuesday 9th April (first day back)	
Poetry Workshop with Nunnington Hall (KS1 & KS2, please provide photo and/or audio consent using the forms question- naire)	Wednesday 10th April	
PAFFS Family Quiz Night	Sunday 21st April, 4.30-6.30pm	
May Day bank holiday	Friday 3rd May (last day at school) Tuesday 7th May (first day back)	
Summer half-term	Friday 24th May (last day at school) Monday 3rd June (first day back)	
Summer	Friday 19th July (last day at school)	