

FOSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL BULLETIN

Nursery and Reception

This week in Nursery and Reception we had a very exciting trip to Stillington Primary School where we were visited by the 'Purple Pig Company' and lots of different farm animals as part of our topic 'On the Farm'. The children got the chance to see a calf, piglets, lambs, rabbits, ducklings and chicks. We got to stroke the animals, brush the rabbits, hold the chicks and feed the lambs so milk – what a magical experience it was!



Year 1 & 2

Thank you to everyone for coming to stay and celebrate on Tuesday! We hope you enjoyed looking at their work as much as the children enjoyed sharing it with you.

Our History topic this half term has been exploring how schools and in particular Foston School has changed over the years. We were amazed to find out how much our school has grown but how some things have not changed quite so much. For example, we think that school has been a place of learning for a long time. The children were horrified to find out that at one point there was talk of closing the school! This prompted a quick protest chant to save the school!

Year 3 & 4

It has been a fantastic week in Class 3 celebrating World Book Day, we have researched different authors and made quizzes about them. We wrote letters to our favourite authors and had a fun day dressing up as characters from our school houses.



Year 5 & 6

This week in Class 4 we have been celebrating World Book Day by dressing as characters from our Houses. We have also been sharing passages from our favourite books and making our own quizzes. We have also been experimenting with different painting techniques and brush strokes in our art lesson. A very creative week, well done everyone!

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Message from the Head of School

We have had a busy week across our Federation! At Stillington School we had our Ofsted inspection, which was during our EYFS farm visit. I would like to thank our staff across the federation and governors for their continuous support. I know the children at Foston missed Miss Midwood, who was busy sharing all the marvellous work she has done as Early Reading and EYFS Leader. We are extremely lucky to have her knowledge and expertise within our team. The outcome of the inspection is currently confidential until the report is published. We look forward to sharing this.

Parents' Evening

Please don't forget to book an appointment for parents' evening, booking sheets are on the classroom door. The dates of these are **Tuesday 12th March from 5-7pm or Thursday 14th March from 3.30-4.30pm.**

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.**

School Exit Button

In school we teach the children that they should not press the exit button to the carpark or front door. Please can we ask that parents press this button if leaving the school site with children to support our teaching.

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 20th March at 2:30pm.**

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.

Free Online Courses Available for Parents

Please find attached a poster with information on for parents living in North Yorkshire. These courses are all free and are developed by psychologists, psychotherapists, health visitors, NHS and Education Professionals. Follow the instructions on the poster to gain free access to a range of courses.

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Diary Dates

Sports Enhancement Day	Tuesday 12th March
Parents' Evening	Tuesday 12th March, 5-7pm Thursday 14th March, 3.30-5.30pm
Y3/4 Malton Sports (basket ball & netball)	Wednesday 13th March
KS2 Dentist Visit	Wednesday 20th March
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)
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)