

# FOSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL BULLETIN

## Nursery & Reception

The children in nursery and reception have been recently really enjoying their maths learning and consolidation this during continuous provision. It has been lovely to see the children flourish and develop their mathematical skills, for example, subtraction, recognising teen numbers and our recent focus on rotating and manipulating shapes to copy 2D shape patterns using tangram shapes. Future mathematicians in the making!



## Year 1 & 2

During our forest school session this week we went for a bug walk and were delighted to find this delightful creature! After carefully passing the newt around so we could all have a good look at its colouring and activity we replaced it exactly where it had been found. Please let us know if you come across any exciting discoveries!



## Year 3 & 4

It's been a lovely week in the sun for Class 3. We enjoyed a drama lesson outside where we played fun games practising our drama skills.

It was also Mental Health Week. We talked about moving more helps us feel good, as when we move our bodies release 'feel good' hormones called endorphins. We explored how dance brings people together and we worked together in groups to come up with emotive dance routines.

## Year 5 & 6

This week in Class 4, the big news is that our Year 6s have completed their SATS! Well done to everyone for all of their hard work and revision over the recent weeks, including to the Year 5s who have been very supportive.

We have also been editing and publishing our narratives, and have written some truly amazing stories - super work, everyone!

## Malton Sports Centre KS2 Event

On **Wednesday 22nd of May**, the children in Y3 & 4 will be taking part in a rounders event at Malton Sports Centre. The year 3 and 4 children are asked to come into school in their uniform and will get changed at school into their PE kits. Children will also need to be wearing their school jumpers. They will have lunch at school as normal.

A member of staff will accompany the children on a bus, which will take them to Malton in the afternoon. The children should arrive back in time for the end of the school day.



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## Foston Wrap Around Care Parent Survey

Please can you complete the Forms survey for wrap around care <https://forms.office.com/e/mmh1bjTLBF>. This will support us in reviewing our wrap around care and extra-curricular offer for 2024-2025. Please can you complete **1 form per pupil** that attends school. This form will inform future decisions regarding the wrap around care offer and arrangements. The deadline for completing this form is **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June**.

## Mental Health Awareness Week

This week has been mental health awareness week with a theme for our schools as 'move for your mood'. We have been very busy in our schools teaching the children about how to look after their mental health and what things they can do to help boost their mental health. Please see some of the amazing 'move for your mood' things we have been doing in school. Please also find some family mood booster sessions on the link below. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/topics/cd1p8gmegeet>.



## KS2 Ampleforth Trip

On **26th June**, KS2 pupils will be going on a trip to Ampleforth College to take part in their Countryside day where pupils will try: cloud busting, seed planting and much more. Please can we ask that pupils from the following school arrive at the below times:

Stillington: 8:40am

**Foston: 8:45am**

Terrington: 8:45am

All schools will be back before the end of the school day. If your child requires a packed lunch, please can you contact the school office by the **24th May** to place your order. The options are: cheese, tuna or ham.

The trip will be added to ParentPay for you to confirm your child's attendance along with a voluntary contribution of £9.83. If you have any questions, please contact the school office for the attention of Miss Tordoff.

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### PAFFS

#### ***Library Help Needed***

On **Wednesday 22nd May from 09:30/10am** we are getting the final library books on the barcode database system and stacking shelves. We would love some help to get the job done faster, we are blessed with a large number of books. We plan to start after the 09:10 sharing assembly at the village hall. If you have some free time on Wednesday whether it's morning, lunchtime or afternoon we would really appreciate just an hour of your time. Thank you so much!



#### ***End of Year Summer Celebration***

Save the date - **Wednesday 17th July 5 - 7pm.**

It's nearly time for the end of year summer celebration on the school field - pray for sunshine!!

This year you can buy delicious hot dogs (meat, vegan and gluten free options) and visit the tuck shop & sweet treats stall. Alternatively you can bring your own summer picnic.

Most importantly we have booked the inflatables!!! Hooray! Expect a bouncy castle and the ever popular Super Mario & Sonic inflatable obstacle course.

Are there any parents who would like to organise and run a stall for PAFFS at the Summer Celebration? Please speak to Vicky or Ness.

We are making preparations for the big school raffle that we draw at the summer celebration. We are contacting various companies to try and get some fab prizes and family tickets to local places. If you have any good contacts or can ask a friend or employer on our behalf for vouchers etc that would be much appreciated.

#### **Stranger Danger – Clever Never Goes**

Our PSHE curriculum covers a variety of different topics throughout the year. This half term KS1 have been learning all about stranger danger which we now call 'Clever Never Goes'. Some children have already started to look at this this week and it has become apparent that some children have very little knowledge around this topic.

The 'Clever Never Goes' programme has been developed to replace the out-dated 'stranger danger' approach. Research shows that teaching children simply to avoid strangers fails to keep them safe. Strangers are often more likely to help a child than to harm them. Conversely, it can often be people known to children that pose the greatest threat.

'Clever Never Goes' moves the focus away from strangers and instead teaches children to recognise when someone (whether they are known to the child or not) is trying to persuade them to go with them. The programme is designed to be fun and positive, whilst at the same time delivering a serious message and giving children practical safety skills and confidence to engage with the outside world.

In addition to the schools lesson **you too can help your child to understand the Clever Never Goes message.** You can download (free of charge) a Clever Never Goes home pack at the website [www.clevernevergoes.org/parents](http://www.clevernevergoes.org/parents). The home pack contains some great ideas for how to approach this topic with your children as well as games and activities. On the website, you can also see a series of cartoon sketches which are a good way of reinforcing the Clever Never Goes message and checking that your child has understood the key Clever Never Goes message.



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## Diary Dates

KS2 Swimming	Friday 12th April—Friday 24th May
Sharing Assembly	Wednesday 22nd May, 9.10am Wednesday 17th July, 9.10am
Y6 Bikeability	Wednesday 22nd May & Thursday 23rd May
Y3/4 Malton Sports	Wednesday 22nd May
Fantastic Friday	Friday 24th May
<b>Summer half-term</b>	<b>Friday 24th May (last day at school)</b> <b>Monday 3rd June (first day back)</b>
KS1 Sealife Centre Trip	Friday 14th June
KS2 Ampleforth Trip	Wednesday 26th June
KS1 Malton Sports	Wednesday 26th June
Transition Day (all years)	Monday 1st July
New to Reception Meeting	Monday 1st July, 3.30pm
Sports Day	Tuesday 2nd July
Transition Day	Friday 5th July
Y6 Leavers Trip (tbc)	Wednesday 10th July
Leavers' service	Tuesday 16th July, 2.30pm
End of Year Celebration	Wednesday 17th July, 5-7pm
<b>Summer</b>	<b>Friday 19th July (last day at school)</b> <b>Tuesday 3rd September (first day back)</b>