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**'The Best for Every Child -a Unique Child of God'**  
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Dear Parent / Carers

Our Christian Value this term is **Perseverance**

Our Ethos Statement this week is: **Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. Hebrews 12: 1-2**

### Spring Term

We made use of the wind this week at lunchtime – making kites – there was so much fun to be had. Thank you for continuing to bring in the cardboard boxes (and the small world pieces) – we will continue to enjoy making with them (once the wind dies down a little).

Ana, from OPAL met with a group of us this week (parents, lunchtime staff and teachers) to prepare for our grounds inspection. It is amazing how much we have already got underway with – thank you for your support with helping us do that!

### Pupil of the Week

<p><b>RB</b> Our pupil of the week is Leo Anderson for fantastic listening on the carpet, putting his hand up to join in with discussions and for always trying his best. Well done Leo! 😊</p>	<p><b>RC</b> Our pupil of the week this week is Avie Pearson. Avie is the kindest girl, she is always enthusiastic and tries her hardest. Avie has made such great progress due to her determination and hard work. Avie is always smiling and giving her very best. Avie is a pleasure to teach and have in our class. You are a superstar Avie, keep it up! 😊</p>
<p><b>1K</b> 1K's pupil of the week is Arthur Senior. Arthur is a lovely role model for 1K, he is always listening and working hard. It has been fantastic to see Arthur contributing more in lessons and becoming more confident at sharing his answers with the class. Well done Arthur, keep it up 😊</p>	<p><b>1RM</b> Our pupil of the week this week is Hana. Hana is an outstanding role model for Year One. She always works hard, listens carefully and participates in all lessons by asking and answering lots of questions. We were also very impressed with her dance moves in our PE lesson! Well done Hana! 😊</p>
<p><b>2J</b> Our pupil of the week this week in 2J is Riley.</p>	<p><b>2S</b> We have had a brilliant week in 2S this week,</p>



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<p>Riley impresses me everyday with the amount of effort he puts into his learning. He concentrates hard and listens really well and shows excellent engagement in all lessons. He is picking up new skills daily in every subject and his learning is coming on leaps and bounds. He is moving through the book levels at speed!! Well done Riley. We're really proud of you. Keep it up! 😊</p>	<p>but we have chosen Sophie Harris as our pupil of the week. Sophie is a fantastic member of 2S who tries her best in every subject. I've been really impressed the lovely writing she has produced linked to Peter Rabbit; her grammar and word choices are excellent, and her work is a joy to read. This term she has persevered with some tricky maths and has been keen to work through challenges and correct any mistakes with enthusiasm. Sophie is also a wonderful friend and can always be relied upon to do the right thing. Well done Sophie, we're very proud of all your hard work! 😊</p>
<p>3P This week, I have chosen Max Watkinson as our pupil of the week. Max has wowed the year 3 team with his super reading this half term, reading aloud with great fluency, confidence and clarity. He has also really impressed us with his agility and ball skills in our PE lessons this week, working well in partners and providing excellent demonstrations. Well done on a great start to the year Max, keep it up! 😊</p>	<p>3R This week I have chosen Elijah for trying hard in all areas of his learning and showing pride in his work. I have noticed Elijah has been putting in lots more effort with his learning and is staying focussed on his tasks which is great to see. He has impressed in maths this week, racing through our division questions and putting his hand up lots to answer questions. He also persevered with our tricky bean bag challenge in P.E as well. Well done Elijah! Keep it up 😊</p>
<p>4L My 4L Pupil of the Week is Matilda Miller. Matilda is a wonderful member of the class and is a superb role model! Matilda always tries incredibly hard with all of her learning throughout the curriculum. Quite recently, I have seen a new found confidence in Matilda. I can clearly see she is making lots of effort to put her hand up in class to volunteer answers, which is so lovely to see! Matilda has also shown fantastic engagement during our Graphic novel unit in English and a clear understanding of new concepts in our math work. Keep up the super work, Matilda! 😊</p>	<p>4W Well done to all of 4W for another busy and great week! This week, our pupil of the week is Henry Hunter. Henry has really impressed me with his attitude in all lessons this week, he demonstrated great perseverance in maths when completing tricky division questions. Not only that, but he has really demonstrated his creative side when creating his own graphic novel in English. Well done, Henry! 😊</p>
<p>5E Karis Richards is our pupil of the week this week. She has had another wonderful week where she has shown her increasing independence with completing work. Her maths continues to impress and she was singled out by the dance teacher for her efforts in our P.E. lesson this week. Well done, Karis! 😊</p>	<p>5H I have chosen Max Middlemiss as pupil of the week. Max is a kind, polite and enthusiastic member of 5H. He is a caring friend and I have been really impressed with his creativity, teamwork and ideas in our dance lessons linking to earth and space! Well done Max! 😊</p>
<p>6C Harrison Hotchin for a great first two weeks in school, having settled well into life in Y6. All adults have been impressed by your effort and contributions to class discussions, particularly in science and RE lessons, where you have demonstrated your considerable</p>	<p>6M Oskar Oliver for showing great perseverance and a wonderful attitude to his learning this week. He has got into the learning pit whilst writing about the Hobbit this week, but has managed to persevere and get out by producing a fantastic description of an event</p>

knowledge in these subjects. Keep up the great efforts Harrison, well done! 😊

that happened in Goblin Town. I have also been extremely pleased with the effort he has put in within our maths lessons, solving some very tricky problems on fractions, decimals and percentages. Well done Oskar- keep it up 😊

### **Dates for your diary**

Fri 26-28 Jan Big Bird Spotting Sweepstake (PTA)  
Fri 2 Feb – Number Day  
Sat 3 Feb – Bake Off at church – information to follow  
Tues 6 February 9-10am Stay and Play Maths – Year 3  
Fri 9 February – school closes for half term  
W/C 5 Feb Friendship Week Bracelets (PTA)  
Fri 23 Feb Parents Quiz Night (PTA)  
Tue 27 Feb – Yr 4 trip to Elland Road  
Fri 1 March Dress Down Gift Donation (PTA)  
Fri 1 March Disco (PTA)

### **Home School Values**

This term we will be focusing in school on the value PERSEVERANCE. Please find our Home School Values activities attached, we hope your family will find these ideas helpful as you explore the value and have fun together.

### **Parent Prayer Group**

Next meeting Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February. We meet in the school conference room from 9am with the meeting starting at 9:30. We finish at 10am – all are very welcome.

### **Ukulele Recital by Year 2**

Year 2 will be performing a Ukulele recital on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February at 9.45am to parents/carers and anyone else who is interested to hear what our children learn in their fabulous music lessons.



Mrs James (our music teacher) and our children have been working incredibly hard on their Ukulele skills since September and would like the opportunity to perform to an audience in order to showcase their new talents! Performing to an audience is also an important aspect of our music curriculum and the children will feel incredibly proud of what they have achieved.

We look forward to seeing you.

Miss Johnson (Year 2 teacher and music subject leader)

### **Y3 Maths stay and play – Tue 6 Feb (9 to 10am)**

We will be running Maths stay and play sessions for Year 3, focusing on times tables. The session will be at 9am, with a presentation from Mrs Casling about strategies for x tables whilst the children are in worship, then a practical stay and play with the class from 9.30 - 10.00am.

If you are able to attend, please wait on the top playground at drop off time, and once the children are in the hall for worship at 9am a member of staff will take you into the classroom at 9am.

### **Number Day**

On Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February we will be celebrating number day in school. This year Maths and Geography are teaming up so the theme will be looking at how number and maths are used in geography.



The day is a fancy dress/dress down day to tie in with the theme - you might come dressed as something mathematical like a dice or calculator, or just with some numbers on your clothes. You might prefer to wear something linked to geography, perhaps camouflage or a compass costume! Be as creative as you like 😊

On the day we will be celebrating all things maths and geography with activities and quizzes, with the annual teacher estimate challenges taking place too!

### **Spare PE Kit (KS2)**

We are short of spare PE kit for our older children. If you have any unwanted second hand joggers, leggings, shorts for older children please drop them in to the school office, they will be much appreciated.  
Many thanks, in advance

### **Great Science Share May 2024**

Calling all parents working in science and technology industries. In May next year we will be celebrating and highlighting Science in school and our local community.

Due to the success of previous years, we would like to invite people to come into school and share their experiences of working in a scientific profession or industry. If anyone would be willing to get involved, or know of anyone that would, could you please contact Mr Clarke

### **Mathletics**

This week the top 10 mathletes across school for participation are:

1. Alice Williams
2. Sienna Mae Hedger
3. Louis Endersby
4. Holly Cotton
5. Eleanor Porter
6. Hana Tang
7. Erin Powell
8. Katie Cotton
9. Joseph Beatham
10. Hana Malik

So the trophies are awarded to 2S and 5E

### **PTA News:**

Notice was given to you all, as the members of the PTA in the January newsletter, about the upcoming Extraordinary General Meeting, on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February at 5pm. This EGM has been called in order to adopt and update our constitution as a registered charity (attached for you to look at in advance if you wish). This will also give us the opportunity to start hosting virtual meetings too. We do need more members to attend than current committee, else the meeting is not valid, so please do attend if you are able to. (Children are welcome at all our meetings) Please see the attached agenda and thank you for your support.

***Also don't forget to enter the Big Bird Spotting Sweepstake this weekend, more details on the attached flyer.***

### **Things we are collecting next if you have anything to donate...**

- dolls prams and baby dolls
- pots and pans, kitchen utensils
- dressing up items - large enough to put on over uniform/coats etc such as hats,
- blazers, lab coats
- any outgrown wellies we can add to the wellie store





## Local theatre productions that may be of interest.....



## Children's Mental Health Week 2024



Improving children's  
mental health

Children's Mental Health Week 2024 will take place from **5-11 February 2024**. This year's theme is '**My Voice Matters**'. On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February we will be ending the week with a dress down day, with the theme of 'dress to express' - this is a chance for children to wear their favourite clothes, something that represents them (like a sporting outfit) or just something comfy and fun. During this week we will also be launching Zones of Regulation across school, which is a brilliant way of recognising and regulating our emotions...more information to follow.

Cath Hellings

Headteacher