

Behaviour – Well Done!

At the Academy we use the reward and consequence system to warn children if their behaviour is not of the acceptable standard. Children should follow the school rules; Be Safe, Be Responsible and Be Respectful. The totals below show how many children have achieved this each week.



| FS1 | FS2 | Y1B | Y1C | Y2 | Y3 | Y4 | Y5 | Y6C | Y6O |
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| 23/23 | 23/23 | 17/17 | 18/18 | 27/27 | 30/30 | 31/31 | 32/33 | 22/22 | 23/23 |

FS1

90.9% & 0 lates

FS2

87.5% & 0 lates

Attendance & Lates

Whole School: 95% & 11 lates

Our attendance target for the year is 96.5%

Year to date is: 95.2%

Y6O

98.2% & 0 lates

Y6C

91.3% & 2 lates

Y1B

95.8% & 1 late

Y1C

98.8% & 0 lates

Y2

100% & 1 late

Y3

97.3% & 2 lates

Y4

94.5% & 5 lates

Y5

94.2% & 0 lates

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Upcoming Key Dates

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| Tuesday 23rd May | FS2 visit to Ponderosa |
| Friday 26th May | School closes |
| Monday 5th June | School opens |
| Wed 14th—Fri 16th June | Y4 residential |
| Monday 19th June | Class photos |
| Thursday 15th June | Y6 Parent meeting at GA |
| Wednesday 21st June | Y3 visit to Harewood House |
| Tuesday 27th June | Y6 Transition day at GA |
| Friday 7th July | Sports Day EY/KS1 morning & KS2 afternoon |

Golden Award

FS2 – Noah & Alice
Y1B— Tillie & Isaac
Y1C – Lottie & Izzy
Y2 – Whole Class
Y3 – Isabella & Molly
Y4 – Cara & Ruby
Y5— Harry & Callum
Y6C – Charlotte & Lucia
Y6O – Harry & Beatrice



Read all about us...



FS1 What a lovely week we have had in Nursery. In Talk for Writing, we have been learning all about our story Owl Babies, we have made our own story map with actions, and we have learnt lots of new facts about Owls. We have also made our very own swooping owls out of paper plates which looked fantastic! In maths we have been selecting shapes appropriately to build towers we have done this with varying shapes and objects that can be found in and out of the classroom, the children have worked together to ensure their towers have been well made and the shape's they used were the best they could find. We have also learnt lots about arctic animals this week and the children have enjoyed playing with their new animals. We are looking forward to learning more exciting things next week!

Y1B What a week we have had in 1B! We have certainly had our geography hats on as we have explored more about what it is like to live in Tanzania. We started the week learning all about the different foods that grow there as well as finding out what the weather is like. Then, we compared this to the food and weather in England. We also had our very exciting trip to the Yorkshire Wildlife Park where we got to see some actual African animals! The children were such incredible representatives of the school and I think we may have some future zoo-keepers amongst us. The children learnt all about how we classify different animals before getting to hold giant lands snails, a snake and even a giant cockroach! I could not be more proud of each and every member of 1B - you are all absolute super stars!

Y2 It has been a very busy week in Year 2. They all showed great resilience, determination, and perseverance even when faced with some tough challenges. Their determination to succeed enabled them to rise to the challenge. I am very proud of all the children, and they should all be very proud of themselves. In art, we learnt which primary colours we needed to use to make secondary colours and did some colour mixing. We then added white or black to a colour to create different tints and shades. In Maths we looked at volume and capacity. Have a great weekend Year 2, and get some well earned rest!

Y5 This week year 5 has been studying various angles and how to classify and estimate them. They have completed their final Portal Story and have progressed to composing explanation texts. During reading, the children engaged in drama by role-playing Greek constellations, and their performance was fantastic. Additionally, in the curriculum, they conducted an investigation to differentiate between electrical conductors and insulators. The historical topic for the week was Henry VIII and his reformation of the church, while in Art, the students focused on architecture and attempted to sketch famous London landmarks.

Y6O Wow, what a week! Each and every child has made us proud this week with their incredible behaviour and determination at residential. The staff at Grinton Lodge couldn't speak highly enough of their politeness and the tidy way in which they left the facilities. As well as this, the children persevered through a range of challenges and overcame so many fears. It really was a pleasure to take year 6 to residential this year. Well done everybody! Enjoy a well earned rest this weekend.

FS2 This week in FS2 we had a visitor- Sammie the seal who left us a note explaining that she was lost and needed some help to get home. We spent lots of time learning about Arctic animals and each voted for our favourite 3, we then did lots more research into those 3 animals. In maths we have been working extremely hard learning about odd and even numbers and we have been working hard writing independent sentences in phonics. We loved our forest school session where we dug for bugs and then built some bug houses!

Y1C Y1C have had another fun packed week! In writing, we've been looking at synonyms for different verbs and worked super hard to include these in a story all about a teddy who had a very mischievous day! In Maths, we made arrays using different objects, recognising how many rows of 2 or 5 we had. RE this week was all about how we can make people feel like they belong. We read a story about an alien and discussed how we'd make the alien feel welcome into our school. In Geography we have been looking at the different animals we would find in Tanzania and had an amazing trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park. We walked around to find all the African animals and saw ostriches, zebras, giraffes and even a lion! We also had a workshop with a zookeeper all about how we group animals into reptiles, mammals and fish etc. We were able to hold lots of different feathers and furs, as well as a giant snail, cockroaches and a snake!

Y3 This week in year 3, we have completed our unit on addition, subtraction, and finding change in money. We have now started to learn how to read and interpret time in analogue formats. Although the class have been excellent so far, they could still use more practice at telling the time, particularly with minutes past and to so please could you support their learning by practicing time-telling skills at home. In writing, we have started to learn our new model text, a portal story, inspired by The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe and in reading we have made inferences about Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. We have also started to learn about Ancient Egyptian farming in history and compare the design of a shaduf with the modern crane in D&T.

Y4 It has been a very productive week for year 4 this week. This week in reading, the children have been exploring how to predict what might happen in How to Train Your Dragon. They have been learning about the elements of a plot, such as character development, setting, and conflict, and have been using this knowledge to make predictions about what might happen next in the story. In computing, the class has been learning about data logging. They have been introduced to the concept of data collection and analysis by using sensors to measure various environmental factors. The class also got an extra PE lesson this week and enjoyed having a cricket lesson with Alex. A great week, well done!

Y6C This week, 6C have been on a residential trip to Grinton Lodge. We had an absolutely fantastic time and made some memories that are sure to last a lifetime. From team building games, to bushcraft, to hiking, to raft building and canoeing - the children really did excel at it all. Well done on a brilliant trip year six and have a well-deserved rest this weekend!

Sporting News

On Friday, the 12th of May our Year 5/6 football team travelled to Whitkirk to play in the Leeds School Cup Final.

We were all very excited and nervous at the same time. All the children played their roles with determination and passion.

Due to all the excellent teamwork and support for each other, the team came away with a 5-1 win. Mr Wales, Mrs Brownbill and Mrs Armitage would like to thank the children for letting us share their footballing journey.



So proud of our athletics team who took part in the Delta Games this week. It was a fantastic experience for our children as they were able to compete on a professional track in Doncaster. We competed against other Delta schools across the North of England. Every child pushed their body to the limit and never gave up. With our determination we finished with awesome results. The girls finished 3rd and the boys finished 2nd. We are very proud of all our children who took part in the games.



Lego Figures

If anyone has any Lego figures at home that they no longer use, we would be very grateful if these could be sent into school to be used in The Den. Thank you, Mrs Orr.

Garforth Peace Project

On Saturday 20th May, we will be unveiling a Coronation Peace Tree Project plaque and planting a 'happiness' shrub, at approx. 10.05 am outside Garforth Academy, next to the first stage of the Garforth Schools' World Peace Trail stones. This will be followed at approx. 10.45am at the Garforth