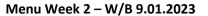
## **Newsletter**

06.1.2023





The highlight of the week ... was welcoming everyone back this week to start 2023. There were a variety of different reactions at the gate on Tuesday morning including the response to 'Happy New Year' by one child: 'I don't like New Year. I was tired.' It was great to see how quickly the children had been settled back into their learning. The first few minutes of each day are always really important to set children up for their learning ahead. It is worth reminding everyone that school starts at 8:40am (8:50 for EYFS). I have loved being part of the work of getting back into routines. Within minutes of the morning starting some year 6 children had told me about their research into giraffes (later confirming that they could guarantee that we wouldn't see any at Bewerley Park), the children in year 5 had demonstrated excellent creative word choices in a writing session with Mrs Gortzak, children in year 4 were using their powers of inference and class 8 were demonstrating they could apply partitioning. What was common to all of the work going on was the focus on getting better at something. Inspiring examples of resolutions.

## Other news ...

- Thank you to those who have signed up to clubs for this term. They begin next week. If your child has a place, you will have been notified. If clubs are over subscribed, there is a waiting list. You will be contacted if a place becomes available. There are a few clubs with some places left. Teachers will have told the children about these.
- We will be sending out a list of dates for your diary with next week's newsletter which will include information about the next opportunities for visiting classes, the Y2 production and visitors to school.
- We will be delighted to welcome Mrs Alder and other musicians from the North Yorkshire Music Service next Thursday for a concert that they will perform to children from key stage 2 when they will demonstrate the different instruments it is possible to learn in school. They will be joined by two special guests, two children from school who have been learning woodwind instruments from year 3. I hope Mrs Alder and her team have been practising. We will ensure children who are interested in learning an instrument get further details.
- One interesting item in the postbag for this week was a card for the Pupils of Newby and Scalby Primary School from King Charles to thank the children who wrote to him after the Queen's death.
- Today is Mrs Winspear's final day in school for a while. She is having an operation and will be recuperating for a few weeks. We wish her well for a speedy recovery.

**And finally ...** please make sure school has your most up-to-date contact information, particularly if you have a new phone. We do sometimes need to get in touch urgently.

Best wishes, Paul Davidson Interim Headteacher