

Newsletter

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Menu Week 3 – W/B 6.02.2023



My highlight of the week ... has been the Charity Committee-organised Number Day 2023 raising money for, and awareness of, the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC). In fact, it felt like Number Days as the Charity Committee led assemblies on Monday not only telling children how they could take part today but also helping children understand what the NSPCC does and how important it is for children to be able to tell someone who can help about worries. They did a brilliant job. Today, they have been delighted to see number-related outfits, imaginative maths lessons and a lunchtime danceathon. We will let you know how much money we have raised in next week's newsletter. Thank you for your generosity and to Mrs Gortzak, Miss Blakeley and the Charity Committee for their organisation.

Other news:

- Last week's assemblies that the Eco Warriors led about looking after the environment were inspirational in many ways. Too late for last Friday's newsletter, in school we celebrated Zachary's efforts in encouraging his family and dog to make a special trip to pick up litter from the park and Anwuli's letter to the Earth.
- On Tuesday, Y5 and Y6 were visited by our PCSOs Nick and Kath to explore interactively how to keep safe online and to raise awareness of the dangers of playing online games or contacting others on social media. As adults, we need to be aware that children can easily see inappropriate content and accidentally contact people they don't know. The advice from the PCSOs and us is for adults to talk with their children regularly and monitor use.
- Parents' and carers' evenings will take place by phone on 27th February and 1st March. We will consult again to make sure that this is still the preferred method.
- 2nd March is World Book Day. This year we are encouraging everyone to take part in bookish activities, a book swap and dress casually or, if able, as a character from a book. We will send out more details next week.
- We are always on the lookout for firsts. This week we received a letter addressed to the Newby and Scalby Primary School Equestrian Manager. It all made sense when we were able to present badges to Isla for representing our school and becoming an NSEA affiliated rider. Well done.
- My thanks to everyone making the extra efforts to get children to school on time despite road works causing delays in the area. It makes a huge difference to settling into the day.
- It was a delight to welcome the parents of blue and green groups to EYFS on Monday. The children proudly took charge of the event. Today, we repeated this with red and green. Well done, all.

And finally ... the Year 6s have an early start on Monday (the bus leaves at 8.15) as they go to their week's residential visit to Bewerley Park led by the Year 6 team. They have been doing lots of preparation including inducting the Year 5s into taking over their jobs around school for the week they are away. Please check the news section of the website for updates next week.

Best wishes, Paul Davidson Interim Headteacher

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