



Caedmon Newsletter – Spring 2 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Wow! The spring term has come to an end already – as they say, time flies when you are having fun. I am so proud of the changes that are being made to our wonderful school inside and out. Here are some of the wonderful things that have been taking place in the last half term.

Attendance

As excellent attendance is important to the school, Mrs Coates is now going to send a separate newsletter out with updates for you. Please look out for them and see if there is something you can do to help improve your child's attendance.



OPAL



OPAL is going from strength to strength. The children have so many different areas to choose from at lunchtime, which include:

- Den building
- Various sports zones, such as: football, hockey, tennis, boxing.
- Quiet zone with bean bags for reading and relaxing with friends
- A shop
- Small world/Lego
- Dress up
- Music/dance
- Wheeled zone with scooters and skateboards

Look out for the next zone coming in the summer, which is digging!

Sneak peek inside school



You may have noticed the new addition of a fruit tree orchard and lots of new plants and trees around the school. These have been planted by staff to transform the grounds to make it

a more welcoming and calming place for the children. There are still more changes to come but here is a sneak peek at some of the changes made over the holidays by dedicated staff. These are some herbs and plants that have been placed inside the courtyard for all the children to enjoy.





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Careers week 2025

Mrs Hill in Year 6 worked very hard to arrange a full week of visitors and exciting events from the 3rd March to the 9th March. The children had a wonderful time celebrating careers week. This gave the children the opportunity to investigate a vast number of careers and opportunities on offer to them, to enhance their aspirations and allow them to reach for the stars. The children had the opportunity to link their writing and maths activities to varying careers along with meeting people in person and online to hear about different careers. They also had the chance to dress up. We even had a visit from the RAF!



Here is a wonderfully inspiring quote from Mrs Hill:

‘Students took part in an exciting Careers Week filled with inspiring activities, guest speakers, and hands-on experiences exploring a wide range of future possibilities. We are so proud of every child for their enthusiasm, curiosity, and ambition! Each student received a special certificate to celebrate their amazing participation. Their energy and dreams remind us that the future truly is in good hands! Thank you for supporting your children as they discover their passions and talents. Together, we are nurturing a generation of confident, ambitious young people ready to chase their dreams and shape the world!’

Here are some of our hard-working Y6 children who are very proud of their achievements during careers week:



Trips

We take our children out of school whenever possible to enrich the curriculum and give them a variety of opportunities. Last half term, our children went on adventures to the following places:



- SSP Girls netball competition
- Y4 – Oriental Museum (workshop in school)
- Y4 – Weekly swimming sessions
- Y3 – Roman Fort visit
- Reception – Monk Park Farm
- Nursery – Newham Grange Farm



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- Y5 – DT workshops at Outwood Normanby
- Y1 – TVMS Snappy Singalong
- Y2 – Danby Moors
- Y2 – Owl centre

Year 6 Residential

Some of the Year 6 children went to Newby Wiske for 3 days on a residential. They had a brilliant time, testing their levels of courage and resilience. There were lots of happy children and staff throughout the trip. There was canoeing fun, archery antics and jumping off things from quite a height! We would like to say a huge thank you to the staff for giving up their time to spend with the children and making some magical memories. If you haven't seen the

pictures already, please have a look at the fabulous photos on Facebook that showcase the fun shared by all.

Easter

Easter was a brilliant time in school this year. Thank you to everyone who decorated an egg. We wish we could have had more winners!



The Easter bingo and raffle were both amazing this year. We raised **£516.95!** Thank you to everyone who joined us or bought a raffle ticket. The money raised will go straight back into supporting our children with the fantastic experiences we offer.

Dragon's Den Pitch

As part of the School Sports Partnership, some of our Y5 children went to Teesside University and pitched to some 'Dragons' who held a pot of



money. Our children were amazing and did us proud. They spoke confidently, and as a result, secured the school £3000 to go towards fixed outdoor equipment on the playground. The children voted and decided on monkey bars – we hope to purchase these soon. Thank you to Leighton, Kairon, Ava-Diane and Delsie in Y5 for an amazing pitch. We are very proud of you! Also, thank you to Mr Collantine for organising it and taking them.

Key Dates:

- **Every Wednesday at 3pm – Fare Share Food Hub in the round hall**
- **April 30th – Y1 trip to Piercebridge Farm**
- **2nd May – Y5 group 1 DT workshop at Outwood Normanby**
- **5th May – bank holiday**
- **8th May – EYFS Red, White and Blue day**



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- **9th May – Y5 group 2 DT workshop at Outwood Normanby.**
- **Monday 12th May – Thursday 15th May – Y6 SATS**
- **16th May – Y6 Flatts Lane trip**
- **22nd May - Art Day with an artist visiting**
- **Friday 23rd May – last day before the half term holiday**

Any extra trips and events will be sent via Parent Mail when they have been organised by staff.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support.

Mrs R Bergamino