



## Newsletter – Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2019

*Educating 'for life in all its fullness.'*

Growth in MIND,  
BODY, SPIRIT

### Attendance

Week ending 8<sup>th</sup> February:

Reception:	96.3%
Class 1	97.7%
Class 2	89.2%
Class 3	91.3%
Class 4	99.3%
Class 5	94.5%
Class 6	97.3%
<b>Overall</b>	<b>95.2%</b>

**Attendance Champions:**

**Year 4**

**Congratulations.**

Our school attendance expectation is 97%.

Well done to everyone who achieved this.



### House Points

(Red) Cirrus – 267  
(Blue) Cumulus – 260  
(Yellow) Stratus – 244  
(Green) Nimbus – 193

**Well done Cirrus!**

### New Vision – Educating 'for life in all its fullness.'

Thank you for your valued opinions during the stakeholder consultation period which has informed our new vision and captured all that we stand for and aspire to be. Our staff, parents, pupils and governors have all played a part in shaping our new vision and we have now completed this project. You should have received a letter alongside the full vision today which will become central to the development of the school and will build on the work of the past 186 years!



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### Yorkshire Museum York

*'On Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February, Class 3/4 went to the Yorkshire Museum in York. We took a journey around the museum in the morning and had a workshop in the afternoon. I enjoyed holding the ancient Anglo-Saxon artefacts from 410 AD!'*

(Alex B Y4)



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### Art in School

It has been lovely seeing the amount of wonderful art taking place recently.

Year 5 have produced abstract space themed pieces based on the works of Peter Thorpe, Year 1 have been creating industrial landscapes with a superhero twist using LS Lowry as a stimulus and Year 2 have been exploring printing techniques to create planets.

The children are looking forward to evaluating each other's work.



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### Values for Life

This half term in Collective Worship the children will be focusing upon the value of: **Perseverance**

This week our focus will be: **Achievement**

Compassion  
Forgiveness  
Friendship  
Trust



### Upcoming Diary Dates:

TBC – Space Launch  
11<sup>th</sup> February – Y1 Parents Phonics Workshop  
13<sup>th</sup> February – School Disco  
14<sup>th</sup> February – School Nurse Visit (Reception Class Screening)  
15<sup>th</sup> February – School Closes for February Half Term  
16<sup>th</sup> February – Mr. Walker travels to Tanzania  
25<sup>th</sup> February – School Reopens (Spring 2)  
26<sup>th</sup> February – Year 3 and 4 Inspire Morning  
27<sup>th</sup> February – Year 5 and 6 Inspire Morning  
1<sup>st</sup> March – Year 1 and 2 Inspire Morning  
Wk Beg 4<sup>th</sup> March – Nursery Stay and Play 'Inspire' Sessions  
6<sup>th</sup> March – Reception Inspire Morning  
7<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day

### Celebrating Us!

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The following children have been recognised by their class teachers for going above and beyond whether it be academic, socially or physically within the school week:

Imogen (Rec), Finley (Rec), Lottie (Y1), Joseph (Y1), Poppy (Y2), Dominic (Y2), Danny (Y3), Eden (Y3), Ellie (Y4), Ethan (Y4), Drew (Y5), Logan (Y5), Skye (Y5), Polly (Y6), Theo (Y6).

Well done to the children who have been living our values.

### Litter Picking

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Thank you to the children who took it upon themselves to collect litter on the school playground. They were excellent ambassadors for the school who made a positive contribution.

### This is Ackworth

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'This is Ackworth' is a group of people from the local community that meet to explore how we can work together to promote social, economic and community well-being.

The school council have been discussing the recent work of the group and have decided to support them by sending out their community bus service survey and to support the initiative. The aim of the survey is to determine whether a community bus service would be of use to the community and its interest groups. You can return the survey to school if you wish to take part – thank you.

### Pupil Voice

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This week the school council met to discuss the school vision, Comic Relief and support for a local community group initiative.

The worship group met to finalise plans for the Peace Garden stations and created new displays within school.

### Tanzania

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I will shortly be flying to Tanzania alongside colleagues within the Leeds Diocese on February 16<sup>th</sup>, returning on 3<sup>rd</sup> March. The itinerary for the visit includes:

- **Various school visits including our partner school where gifts will be offered.**
- **A visit to Buhemba to observe an agricultural project in action.**
- **A visit to a safe house.**
- **A cathedral visit including attendance at a service.**
- **A market visit to purchase resources for school.**

The school will benefit greatly from strong links with schools both locally and internationally. The visit will offer first-hand experience of education, culture and the expression of Christianity in a more dynamic and diverse way therefore further developing our curriculum and distinctiveness as a church school.

The comparisons that can be drawn between ourselves and the school links both locally and internationally will impact significantly on our ethos and give further depth and understanding to the Christian values we encourage.

### Year 5 Class Worship

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On Thursday, Year 5 led worship with their class assembly. The children showcased some of their fantastic work across a range of curriculum areas and finished with a musical performance.

### KS1 Explorers / Superheroes Day

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On Friday, children in KS1 dressed as explorers or superheroes and took part in various activities linked to the themes of the day.

**Thank you for your continued support and have a lovely half term break.**

**Mr Michael Walker**