

"All Learning Together"

Newsletter

# Friday 27th April 2018

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## Dear Parents,

It's been great to hear from the staff who are currently at Peat Rigg as we write, and all sounds like the children are having a great time. Our Year 5 and 6 children will be looking forward to their residential later this term. It's fantastic that we are able to offer regular class visits and residentials as they

bring so much to the children's learning and experiences. We are extremely grateful to all those parents who have paid for these trips, in particular the residentials, in good time as it really helps the school with our budget management. As well as a variety of trips, we continue to enjoy participating in a number of sporting activities. Our Class 3 represented the school brilliantly on Wednesday in the Kwik Cricket Tournament and the two teams won both of their groups. Well done to our



cricketers! Class 2's period of busyness continues as their swimming sessions start next Thursday.

Can I take this opportunity to remind you of a couple of events that are happening next Tuesday. The first is the Parent Forum in school at 2.30pm. If you have anything you would like to discuss at this meeting, please do let my self or Sam know. The second event next Tuesday is the community event organised by FoLS in our school hall. This is a talk about the issue of flooding in Ryedale. We have tickets available however the similar event we held last year saw a rush of ticket sales in the few days running up to the event. Therefore, if you or friends or family are interested in buying tickets, please do contact the school. Alternatively, tickets can be bought on the door or booked through our Friends of Langton Facebook page. Further details regarding booking tickets are available on the poster at the end of this newsletter. If you are on Facebook, please "Like" our FoLS Page as we are starting to use this for general school reminders as well as promoting events organised by FoLS. The money raised by these FoLS events is absolutely crucial for school. We are able to purchase resources and participate in events which we might otherwise not be able to afford. I know the children will be very excited to see the new play equipment that will shortly be arriving in our school playground. A significant amount of the money for this has come from the proceeds of the Christmas Fair. Thank you to FoLS for their continued support of the school.

As the weather has turned cold again, I know lots of us are turning our thoughts to booking our summer holidays. A result of this is that I have received quite a number of holiday request forms. I always consider evidence supplied and there are some occasions where a holiday might be authorised. However, in the main, this is a polite reminder that wherever possible, holidays are booked to coincide with school breaks. I fully understand the cost implications of this and indeed, I support and value family time together, but equally, I

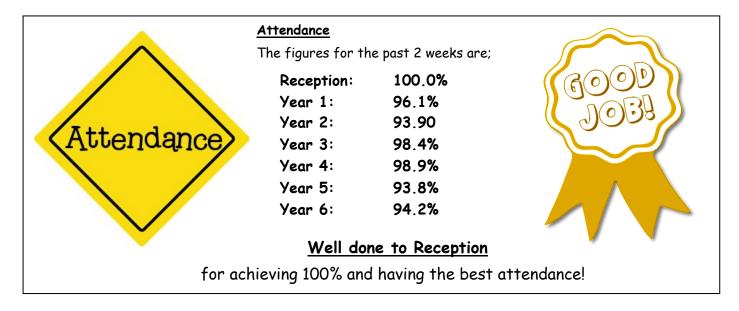


need to stress the importance of regular school attendance during primary years as well as secondary. It is of course in the primary years that the basics are embedded for our children and missing key teaching areas can impact on future years. If you do need to submit a holiday form, I would appreciate it if you could bring this to me in person.

The next newsletter will contain a message from Mr Woods as well as information about the upcoming SATS for our Year 6 children.

Very best wishes,

Rachel Ray



#### FoLS Update

# Speaker Evening — Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May at 6.30pm in the School Hall Subject - Flooding in the Local Area; Speaker - Mike Potter

Parents and friends of Langton School, we have a super community in the school next Tuesday (1st May) evening to raise money for the school. It promises to be a very interesting and entertaining talk by Mike Potter, on his adventures to secure a natural flood prevention scheme in Pickering. This is a subject relevant to the local community. There will be complimentary cheese and wine (and a raffle!) and it will be a great opportunity to meet other locals. Please support this event if you can! Spread the word to those who you think will be interested! Some tickets will be available to buy on the door but to secure a ticket please buy through Eventbrite. Roland Gehrels (previous speaker) will provide an introduction.

A community talk to be given by Mike Potter about his involvement in negotiating and constructing a natural flood management scheme in Pickering. This talk is about an important environmental issue in Yorkshire and will be made accessible for a wide audience of all backgrounds. All welcome. Doors open at 18:30. Talk will start promptly at 19:00.

Ticket price (£6) includes complimentary wine/juice/tea/coffee and nibbles! There will also be a fundraising raffle.

Biography: Mike Potter worked first as a Maritime Radio Officer and then as a civil servant prior to (inaccurately Natural Flood Management as a way forward titled) early retirement in 2011, when he stepped into the role of Chair of Pickering and District Civic Society. He was also elected as the Liberal District Councillor of Derwent Ward in 2015. Following a series of severe floods in Ryedale, Mike participated in an academic study in 2008 that proposed upstream storage as a credible method of flood defence. After 10 years of anonymity battling for flood defences in Pickering and promoting Natural Flood Management as a viable option nationally, he gained temporary notoriety when Natural Flood Management and a whole catchment approach was made part of Flood Risk Management. Mike's talk will explain the 10 year process, how Natural Flood Management works and complements more commonly accepted Flood Risk Management methods.... all in a mere 45 minutes. There will be plenty of time for questions and discussion.



**Mike Potter** 

1 May 2018.

Flooding in Ryedale

ALL WELCOME!

For ticket information, please see the poster at the back of the newsletter.



<u>Summer Fair</u> Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July

The Summer Fair will be run in a similar format to the last two years. The fair will follow the School Sports Day; the School Fun Run will take place on the Green once the Sports Day activities have finished as this gives the FoLS team and helpers time to finish the preparations. The fair will commence at 4pm where a traditional afternoon tea will be available; pre-order forms will be coming home after half term although they can also be ordered on the day. Pimms and lemonade, strawberries and cream along with ice lollies and a cake stall will also be available to keep the hunger at bay following the days sporting activities! (Although the Pimms is strictly for the adults only!) 'Giant' games, stalls, treasure hunt and other activities are also being planned to ensure a fun packed afternoon is had by all!

We really need helpers on the day and in the run up to the fair. Any help regarding provision of items for the afternoon tea or cake stall, manning a stall, running an activity would be greatly appreciated. Please let one of the FoLS team know or Sam in the Office who can pass on any messages for us.

We are hoping to have a produce stall again this year so please think of the fair when you are planting seeds or making items that would be suitable to sell on the stall and put a few aside for us.

Lucky bags will be coming home and a **non-uniform day is to be held on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June** to request donations for the bags to be filled with small surprise items – the kids love the lucky bags so please help in filling and returning your bags and if they could be labelled as to the suitability for a boy, girl or either that would be appreciated. More information and guidance regarding the lucky bags will be sent when the bags are sent home after half term.

If anyone has any 'Giant' games that you would be happy for the School to borrow for the fair please can you let Sam or FoLS know. (E.g Jenga, Connect 4, Chess etc.)

The plan for the fair is not yet finalised so if you have any ideas or activities that you think would be fun and suitable for the fair please do get in touch or come along to the next FoLS Meeting which is being held at school on Monday 14th May, 6.30pm at school.

Many thanks,

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# All in a worthy cause!

Our very own Mrs Cummings has set herself quite a task all the name of a very worthwhile cause. In order to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support, on Saturday 21st July, Mrs C will be taking part in the Northumberland Coast Mighty Hike, which will



involve running/hiking/walking and possibly crawling her way through 26 miles of woods, sand dunes and coastal paths. If you would like to support Mrs C in her efforts, and donate to this most fantastic cause, please visit her JustGiving page—https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/kathryn-cummings and sponsor her. Good luck Mrs C.





# <u>To the Manor born!</u>

On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2018, Class 2 were lucky enough to visit Burton Constable. This wealthy manor house has been residence of the Constable family for generations.

Upon arrival at the grand estate, we were greeted by Mrs Styce, the Victorian housekeeper and whisked back to the Victorian era! We were given mop caps and flat caps and as we were given a tour of the house we learned all about the jobs each of us would be doing if we worked there during the Victorian era. There were lamp boys and ladies maids, stable boys and housekeepers!



We were able to compare the quarters where the house residents lived with the poor servants quarters. Our final job of the day was to investigate Victorian house artefacts and try to work out which jobs they would be used for.

Thankfully, it was a glorious day and we were able to have our lunch in the grounds, next to the orangery and made time for some fun in the sun before boarding the coach home.

#### Kwik Cricket Tournament!

"On Wednesday 25th April, some of Class 3 went to a Kwik Cricket tournament at Malton Sports Centre. There were two teams—Langton A and Langton B, and there were 3 other teams participating in this event. On Team A, there was Oliver T, Oliver Th, Max, Niall, Eddie, Lola, Lily and Ella. Team B had Sam, Harry, Thomas R, Robert, Javan, Millie, Ruby and Ellie. Both teams got two wins each.

"When we arrived, it was part sunny and part cloudy but when Langton A got into their first game against Malton A, it was drizzling, and when Langton B got into their first game against Malton B, it was pouring with rain, but we both won our first matches. The next game was Langton A vs Rillington A. Langton A won. The next game was Langton B vs Amotherby B. which Langton B won. The final results showed that both Langton A and Langton B won their groups!"

#### Report by Harry and Max



#### <u>Take the Plunge!</u>

Class 2's swimming sessions will start on <u>Thursday 3rd May</u> (11.00-11.30am) and



there will be 10 sessions in total, the last one being Thursday 19th July (there will be **no session on Thursday 24th May** due to the Maths Event with Leavening School). As the children will miss breaktime, (the coach will be leaving at 10.30am each Thursday) they can bring a snack and drink with them. For those parents who have not yet returned permission slips, could you please do so as soon as possible. A copy of the Swimming letter and slip is available on the school website under News & Events/Letters.

#### Peat Rigg Class 3 Parent's Meeting

On **Thursday 24th May**, at **3.30pm**, we will be holding an information session for Class 3 parents whose children will be going on the 3 day residential trip to Peat Rigg. During this session, we will outline the activities the children will be taking part in and address any questions you may have regarding the children's stay. If you are

unable to make the meeting please speak to Mr Woods if you have any questions.



### Dates for your diary

Parent Forum
FoLS Speaker Evening—Flooding in the Local Area
Class 2 first swimming session
May Day Holiday
FoLS Meeting
KS2 (Year 6) SATS Weeks
Year 5 Taster Day @ Norton College
Class photos and Year 6 leavers photos
After SATS Tea Party (Royal Wedding Theme)
Class 3 Theatre Trip at Ampleforth College
Maths Day with Leavening School
Class 3 Peat Rigg Parents Meeting
Non-Uniform Day
End of half term
Back to School
First Transition session for New Reception pupils
Artist Workshops
Class 1 Trip to Scarborough Sea Life Centre
KS2 Rugby Finals
KS1 (Year 1) Phonics Screening
Class 3 2-night residential
Second Transition session for new Reception pupils
Final Transition session for new Reception pupils
Year 6 Secondary School Transition Days
Rescheduled Cross Country at Sand Hutton

Rescheduled Cross Country at Sand Hutton Non-Uniform Day Provisional Sports Day FoLS Summer Fair Reserve Sports Day Class 3 Science @ Malton School Ampleforth Swimming Gala KS2 End of Year Performance Leavers Assembly for Year 6 End of Summer Term

Tuesday 1st May, 2.30—3.15pm Tuesday 1st May, 6.30pm @ the School Hall Thursday 3rd May, 11.00-11.30am Monday 7th May Monday 14th May, 6.30pm @ School Monday 14th—Thursday 17th May 2018 Tuesday 15th May Friday 18th May Friday 18th May Wednesday 23rd May Thursday 24th May Thursday 24th May @ 3.30pm Friday 25th May Friday 25th May Monday 4th June Tuesday 5th June, 1.15-3.00pm Wednesday 6th June Thursday 7th June Friday 8th June w/c Monday 11th June 2018 11th-13th June 2018 Friday 15th June, 1.15—3.00pm Tuesday 19th June, 9.00am-1.00pm Tuesday 19th June Wednesday 20th June Monday 25th June Friday 29th June Friday 6th July Friday 6th July Monday 9th July Wednesday 11th July Friday 13th July, 1.00-300pm W/c 16th July - dates to be confirmed Friday 20th July, 9.30am Friday 20th July

#### Langton School Governing Body Meetings — Summer Term 2018

Full Governing Body Meeting Finance & Premises Committee School Performance Committee Full Governing Body Meeting

Wednesday 16th May, 6.00pm Tuesday 5th June, 8.30am Wednesday 11th July, 8.30am Monday 16th July, 6.00pm

# **Flooding in Ryedale**

Natural Flood Management as a way forward





Mike Potter Chair of Pickering and District Civic Society



A talk about an important environmental issue in Yorkshire, made accessible for a wide audience of all backgrounds.

Tickets (£6) include cheese & wine and soft drinks. Students £4. All proceeds go to the Friends of Langton School.

Buy tickets on EventBrite.co.uk (search for events near Malton). Email FOLangtonSchool@outlook.com or telephone 01653 658236 for more information.

