



Newsletter

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"All Learning Together"

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Dear Parents,

After all the snow and ice this term, it has been lovely to end the term with a little bit of spring sunshine. It's also been great to carry out our rescheduled World Book Day events. Yesterday saw Langton and Leavening children mixing in together, and in both schools, it was lovely to see the green and blue jumpers playing with one another and making new friends. Next term, we will repeat the day with a Maths theme but reverse the children who stay and Langton and go to Leavening. Today, the World Book Day costumes are fantastic and the decorated eggs were all superb. I know busy times of the school year like this require an awful lot of parental support so my thanks to all of you for helping!

Talking of parents, our Chocolate Bingo last night was very successful and I know, enjoyed by those who participated. My thanks to the FoLS team who organised and ran the event so ably. £128 was raised in one hour, which is not a bad return, so thank you for your support.

Unfortunately last week, the visit from the artist had to be postponed, but has been rescheduled for Wednesday 6th June. Well done to the Sports Ambassadors and School Councillors who helped arrange the Sport Relief Activity Afternoon last week. Fun was had by all. Also since the last newsletter, we have had our Year 6s participating in Bikeability. I was extremely proud to hear that every member of Year 6 impressed the instructors and behaved impeccably. I was also proud to accompany the children who represented Langton at the Debating Competition. Our debaters argued the case for and against the motion "Social media is a danger to children". It was a very grown up and informed debate. Well done to all who took part.

Next term is busy in the run up to SATS, and with residentials and school trips to look forward to. I have organised an information session for parents of children in Year 6 parents about the upcoming SATS and the following week there is a Parents Forum on Tuesday 1st May. I have noticed recently that the majority of families are now arriving to school promptly and as a result, children are ready for their learning. I have also received fewer applications for term time holidays so I am very grateful for your support in our aim of increasing school attendance and reducing incidences of lateness.

Once again this Spring Term has been very busy. All staff have worked extremely hard and I would like to thank them all for their total commitment to Langton. I have had the opportunity to show quite a few prospective parents around our school recently and indeed, we have had four children start with us at Langton and we will welcome another new starter after Easter. It always a pleasure to show families around our school because I know we have so much to offer. Our children here are a credit to you all and all the staff I know will look forward to welcoming all of them back on Tuesday 1st April. I wish you all a very Happy Easter!

Very best wishes,

Rachel Ray



Attendance



The figures for the past 3 weeks are;

Reception:	90.7%
Year 1:	95.5%
Year 2:	92.9%
Year 3:	88.2%
Year 4:	93.9%
Year 5:	89.3%
Year 6:	87.2%

Well done to Year 1

for having the best attendance!



Bikeability



"On the 13th to the 14th of March the year 6s went out to do a Bikeability course. First of all we did a bike check the mot and the ABC-air, brakes and chain. After that we cycled round the playground learning to do arm signals. Then we played skill games the first one we had to swerve round cones into a stop box then through some other cones. Then we played the circle of doom you had to cycle in the circle then it would get smaller and then we had a race but this time it was a slow race whoever came across the last came first.

"After lunch we went to the village of Langton and practiced stopping, waiting for cars and we were told that whenever you are about to do something you are always meant to look then we went to some crossroads near Langton and practiced our left turns from major to minor roads and minor to major roads.

"The second day we went up to the same crossroads again and practiced some left turns. We went back and forth from the roads and we all enjoyed it.

"On Friday we got our badges and certificates and found out that we have all passed level 1 and 2."

Report by Ella and Lola

FoLS Update

Speaker Evening

Tuesday 1st May at 6.30pm in the School Hall

Subject - Flooding in the Local Area; Speaker - Mike Potter

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 includes complimentary wine/juice/tea/coffee and nibbles. There will also be a fundraising raffle.

Mike Potter worked first as a Maritime Radio Officer and then as a dull civil servant prior to (wholly inaccurately titled) early retirement in 2011, when he stepped into the role of Chair of Pickering and District Civic Society. In a moment of reckless abandon, 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 (NFM) as a viable option nationally, he gained temporary notoriety as the price of success until those in power had the revelatory idea that NFM and a whole catchment approach should be part of Flood Risk Management (FRM). Mike's talk will explain the 10 year process, how NFM works and complements more commonly accepted FRM methods.... all in a mere 45 minutes. There will be plenty of time for questions and discussion. For ticket information, please see the poster at the back of the newsletter.

The next FoLS Meeting is in the diary for Monday 23rd April, 6.30pm at school and we will be discussing Summer Fair plans so if there are any ideas, suggestions or if any new parents want to get involved then please come along.

Class 3 Debating Competition

"On Tuesday 20th March 2018, 6 pupils from class 3, Lily, Lola, Millie, Ella, Sam and Eddie all took part in a debating competition held at the Ryedale District Council Chambers. There was a few weeks of practice where the two groups, for and against children having social media, learned and read their speeches.



"When we arrived at the building where the competition was being held, we realised only four of the nine schools, that were coming, had taken place. There were three judges one of which was the mayor of Malton.



"Settrington went first and they did very well, they were also good at answering the questions and so were all the others. Langton had there go at speaking third, Lola was against and Ella was for. They both did really well speaking and answering. There was only one more group after us and that was Leavening, they did good as well.

"When the three judges went out to decide who had won, all four groups had time to eat their snacks and have a break, then we all settled down to tell a few jokes. After the judges had decided the results they came back in to tell us who the winners were, runners up and best boy and girl.

"Amotherby were the runners up and they were given a medal each, Settrington were the winners and they got a plaque and a medal each, the best girl was from leavening and the best boy was from Amotherby.

"Everyone who took part did really well and the judges said that it was hard to decide the winners. In the end, everyone who took part from our school had a photo with the mayor of Malton, after this we got ready to go and eventually arrived back at school in time for lunch.

"We all had lots of fun and enjoyed the challenge."

Report by Lola & Ella

Sport Relief

"On the 22nd March Langton Primary School had a Sport Relief afternoon to raise money for charity There were 8 events including: an obstacle course run by Lola , an adventure course run by Ella, a relay race run by Hettie who was sick so Niall took her place, dribbling a basketball then a football was run by Ellie, netball shooting run by Robert, football goals run by Thomas R, The mat game (where you have two mats and no-one is aloud off the mats and they have to move one mat in front of the other to get to the other side of the hall) run by Lily and speed bounce run by Eddie.

"Each house was split into 2 teams, one half would do one sport and the other half would do the other sport. Once the whistle was blown once, the two halves of the house would switch and once it was blown again the entire house would move on to the next course. After the first two games we had break time for 10 minutes then we did the other two events.

"After all the events were played everyone got dressed in there school uniform again and Mr Cairns told everyone to go in the hall whilst the sports ambassadors and there helpers put every thing away. After they put everything away Mr Cairns counted all of the points together and then he announced the results.

"Here are the results of Langton Primary School Sport Relief!

Hill came 4th

Boyes came 3rd

Howard-Vyse came 2nd

And Turner came 1st "

Report by Eddie & Thomas R



Netball tournament

"On Wednesday 14th March, Daisy, Ellie, Robert, Sophie, Hettie, Thomas Radford, Niall and Javan went to the netball tournament to compete against a lot of schools around Yorkshire including: West Heslerton, Settrington, Norton CP and Malton Primary. We played against 3 schools, we lost against West Heslerton 3-0, we drew against Settrington 1-1, and we beat Norton 0-1 Robert scoring the winning goal.

"We played at Malton community centre having a lot of fun, we worked as a team, supporting each other. Everyone was happy with their spot and no-one got upset whether we lost or not. Everyone tried their best and were alright about winning we just thought as long as we took part in it and tried our best we were fine."



Report by Niall & Robert

Norton College taster day report!

"On the 13th of March 2018 all the year 5s went to Norton College for a taster day. All together there was nine year 5s going and they all enjoyed it.

"We departed at 9.30am and boarded a Norton minibus which took us to Norton. The people who went from Langton were Robert, Niall, Javan, Hettie, Daisy, Thomas E, Thomas R, Ellie and Sophie.

"When we got there we had to sit in a hall and wait for a chat with the headmaster Mr Loftus who told us about what lessons there are and what we are going to do. There was roughly 6 schools there and there were Rillington, Settrington, Langton, Norton CP school, Leavening and Hunmanby.

"Our first lesson was science where we were seeing which was the fizziest drink, Coke, Lemonade or fizzy water. To do this experiment we had to use the equipment such as a delivery tube, a bung, a conical flask, a measuring cylinder and a bowl of water.

"When we started we were given safety specs and was told to put them on. We worked in partners or in threes. Then we had to fill the conical flask with one of the three drinks until it reached 50ml and after that quickly put the bung on top of it with the delivery tube stuck. Whilst doing this our partner would put the measuring tube in the bowl of water and fill it up then place it upside down in the water. After that we put the end of the delivery tube under the measuring cylinder and the water went down because of the gases pushing it out. The fizziest drink was the fizzy water because it went down by 8cm³ the second fizziest drink was the coke because it went down by 60cm³ and finally the least fizzy drink was the lemonade because it went down by 30 cm³.

"Our next lesson was music where we had to sing some African songs called four white horses and one called banawa. We had to march around in a circle singing banawa, banawa, banawaeyo. Afterwards we had to do a weird clapping thing whilst singing the four white horses song. To change direction whilst marching, Thomas E had to bang a drum as loud as possible and when we heard it we had to walk the opposite direction.

"After that we had lunch then we went into French where we had to learn the French alphabet and play lotto which is French for bingo.

"Finally we did a weird thing called Zumba where we had to copy what the dancing women was doing. Then we had playtime which was good fun and then sadly we had to leave. Robert says "I think the science and music was very fun".

Report by Robert & Niall



Dates for your diary

Staff Training Day	Monday 16th April
Back to School—Start of the Summer Term	Tuesday 17th April
Class 2 trip to Burton Constable	Thursday 19th April
FoLS Meeting	Monday 23rd April, 6.30pm @ School
Year 6 Parents SATS Information Session	Wednesday 25th April, 3.30—4.00pm
Class 2 1-night Peat Rigg Residential	Thursday 26th- Friday 27th April 2018
Parent Forum	Tuesday 1st May, 2.30—3.15pm
FoLS Speaker Evening—Flooding in the Local Area	Tuesday 1st May, 6.30pm @ the School Hall
Class 2 first swimming session	Thursday 3rd May, 11.00-11.30am
May Day Holiday	Monday 7th May
KS2 (Year 6) SATS Weeks	Monday 14th—Thursday 17th May 2018
Year 5 Taster Day @ Norton College	Tuesday 15th May
Maths Day with Leavening School	Thursday 24th May
Artist Workshops	Wednesday 6th June
KS1 (Year 1) Phonics Screening	w/c Monday 11th June 2018
Class 3 2-night residential	11th-13th June 2018
Provisional Sports Day	Friday 6th July
FoLS Summer Fair	Friday 6th July
End of Summer Term	Friday 20th July

Langton School Governing Body Meetings — Summer Term 2018

Full Governing Body Meeting	Wednesday 16th May, 6.00pm
Finance & Premises Committee	Tuesday 5th June, 8.30am
School Performance Committee	Wednesday 11th July, 8.30am
Full Governing Body Meeting	Monday 16th July, 6.00pm

Langton Book Bags!

We now have a supply of brand new Langton book bags, as 'modelled' here by our new School Councillors! They are available from school for **£6.50** so if you would like one, please let Sam know. Payment can be made in cash or cheque (payable to Langton Primary School).



School Dinners

The children are all tucking into their delicious school lunches with gusto. Please see <http://www2.myschoollunch.co.uk/northyorks/primary-schools/about-us/menu/> for details of this term's menu. Please note that pasta or jacket potatoes are available as an alternative to the menu, but **please give Mrs Goodwill as much notice as possible, of any changes, and at least 24 hours, as we are not able to substitute a meal on the day.**

School dinners for this first half of the Summer term are **£58.80. This must be paid in advance**, either weekly, half termly or termly through your ParentPay account. A reminder for all those bringing in packed lunches that **we have a nut free policy at Langton and ask that you please do not send nuts to school.** Many thanks for your assistance with this.

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.

