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# I can compare heights

Objective achieved

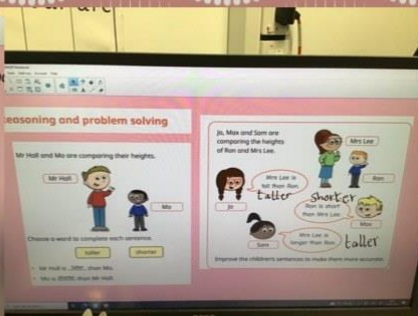
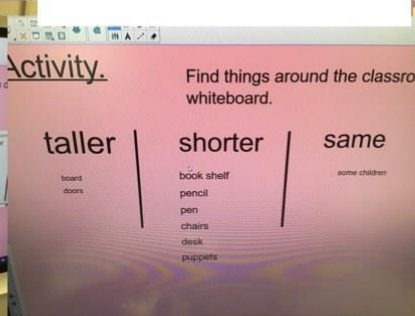
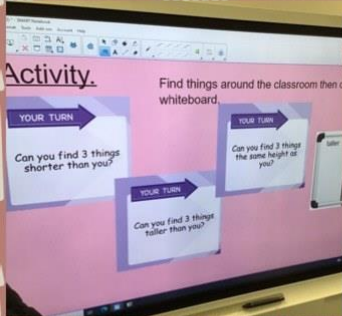
## We lined up tallest to shortest



Jack was the tallest and Joshua was the shortest



We compared heights with other children to find someone taller and shorter



We looked around and found items taller, shorter and the same height as us.

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# Friday 24th February 2023

## Withernsea Primary School Newsletter



### Message from Mr Hartmann

I hope you have all had an enjoyable half term break.

We have had a busy start to the second half of the spring term and it has been nice to welcome everyone back. The children in year 6 and in year 2 have been busy with their practice SATs this week and have demonstrated real resilience. Children in other year groups have also made an excellent start to their learning after the half term break.

#### **Planned NEU Strike Action**

As you may be aware, there is additional strike action planned by the National Education Union on Tuesday 28th February. This will likely be covered again in the media and so I would like to reassure you that there are currently no plans to close any classes across the school. This is based on the most current information I have available to me. Therefore, I am expecting Tuesday 28th February to be a normal day for all children across the school. If this changes, I will of course update you at the earliest possible moment.

#### **Parents Evening**

Next week we have our second parents evening of the year and hope everyone has managed to make an appointment with their class teacher. These will take place on Wednesday 1st and Thursday 2nd March. We really value working closely with parents and carers and would love to see as many of you as possible. If for at any reason you are unable to make the allocated dates, please contact your child's class teacher as we may be able to arrange an alternative time/date. There will also be a pre-loved uniform for sale in the South Hall and refreshments available too.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr J Hartmann

## Key Dates

**Wednesday 1st & Thursday 2nd March** - Parents' evening

**Thursday 2nd March**- World Book Day

**Friday 31st March** - School closes for the end term

**Monday 17th April** - Children return to school

**Tuesday 9th May - Friday 12th May** - Year 6 SATs week

## Weekly Attendance

Last week's whole school attendance was 95.2%. This is below our target of 96%. While we understand that this time of year brings lots of illnesses, please support us by ensuring your child is in school wherever possible so they are receiving a full education.

Each day consists of two sessions so if your child is unwell in the morning but seem to feel better during the day, they could attend for the afternoon session.

RCE - 97.2%

RJH - 91.3%

1AS - 93.5%

1DT - 90.5%

1SC - 91.7%

2AH - 99.5%

2MJ - 95.8%

2OD - 92.2%

3CB - 98.9%

3LK - 93.2%

3LF - 94%

4AF - 94.6%

4KB - 94.4%

4ML - 98.3%

5LW - 99%

5RT - 96.5%

5CC - 97.8%

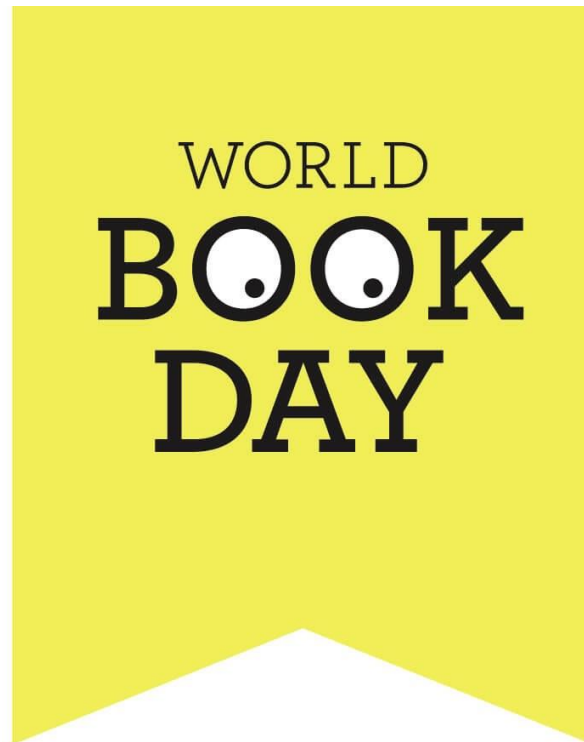
6EK - 94%

6KH - 95.5%

6RL - 96.3%

Provision - 91.7%

## World Book Day



### **World Book Week at Withernsea Primary School**

Next week, we will be celebrating World Book Day at Withernsea Primary School.

Here are some of the events taking place:

- Learning a class poem
- Shoe box competition (Wednesday)
- Book sale 20p a book (Wednesday)
- Book tasting
- Book buddies

On **Thursday 2nd March** the children can come in fancy dress as follows:

EYFS/ F2

Bedtime stories

Dressed up in PJs bring teddy bears

Y1/2

10 Delicious Teachers

Dressed up as teachers or monsters

Y3/4 Journey, Aaron Becker Dressed up as Explorers

Y5/6 The Barnabas Project Dressed up as Scientists



## Mental Health Support Teams are working in our school.



We are excited to share that we are working with our Humber Teaching NHS Foundation Trust and East Riding local authority to deliver a brand-new service to support our children's Mental Health and Wellbeing in our school. The offer includes support and advice for school staff, parents and carers, whole school approaches, staff training, 1:1 and group interventions.

The service, which is currently known as the Mental Health Support Team, includes Education Mental Health Practitioners and Trainees, Senior MHST Practitioners and Professional leads who will provide early intervention support, advice, and guidance for our students.

The team works alongside existing early intervention and early help services that supports our school, such as education psychology and the behaviour support team.

We welcome Katie to our school who will be working with us one day a week this academic year whilst she undertakes her training to become a qualified Education Mental Health Practitioner. Katie is excited to be joining our school community and is passionate about supporting children's mental health and helping them to be happy.

We will share regular updates about the services as it evolves, and I am sure you will see Katie and the team around the school at key events. We plan to hold coffee mornings in the near future with various focuses with the team which we hope families will attend. There will also be some parent workshops which will be free and available for families and we will share further information with you.

## Feed the Family for a Fiver!

### Herby Toad in the Hole with Roasted Beetroot & Goats' Cheese Dressing



#### **Ingredients**

140g Plain Flour

4 Large Eggs

300ml Semi Skimmed Milk

1 tbsp Wholegrain Mustard

1 tsp Dried Thyme  
1 tsp Dried Parsley  
Salt and Freshly Ground Black Pepper  
2 tbsp Sunflower Oil  
8 Specially Selected Pork Sausages (from 2 packs)  
2 Red Onions, peeled and cut into wedges  
1 pack Beetroot, drained and quartered  
3 tbsp Balsamic Vinegar  
1 tbsp Olive Oil 80g  
½ pack Soft Goats' Cheese  
2 tbsp Reduced Fat Crème Fraîche  
1 tbsp Mixed Seeds

### **Method**

Crack the eggs into the milk and mix.

Put the flour into a mixing bowl and gradually whisk the eggs and milk into the flour until you have a smooth, lump-free batter.

Add the mustard, herbs and some seasoning.

Cover and set aside – preferably for a couple of hours.

Heat the oven to 220°C/Fan 200°C/425°F/Gas Mark 7.

Heat the oil in a large, deep, metal roasting tin and add the sausages and onions.

Cook for around 15 minutes until the sausages are browning. Meanwhile, place the beetroot in a second roasting tray and drizzle over the balsamic vinegar and oil.

Add some seasoning and cook in the oven with the sausages.

Remove the beetroot after 15 minutes and keep warm.

Pour the batter around the sausages and onions and cook for a further 25 minutes – do not open the door during this time.

In the meantime, mix together the goats' cheese and crème fraîche together with a little seasoning to make a dressing.

The toad is cooked when it is well-risen and golden brown.

Serve cut into wedges, with the beetroot and dressing and a sprinkling of seeds.

## Class News



*1 - Nursery exploring their new classroom this week!*

### **Nursery**

We have had a lovely first week back at nursery in our new classroom! We have been exploring the new areas and enjoying playing in the sand tray.

On Shrove Tuesday, we had pancakes and chose the toppings that we wanted on them! They were yummy!

We have continued to practice our nursery rhymes and hello songs this week.





*2 - Pancake day!*

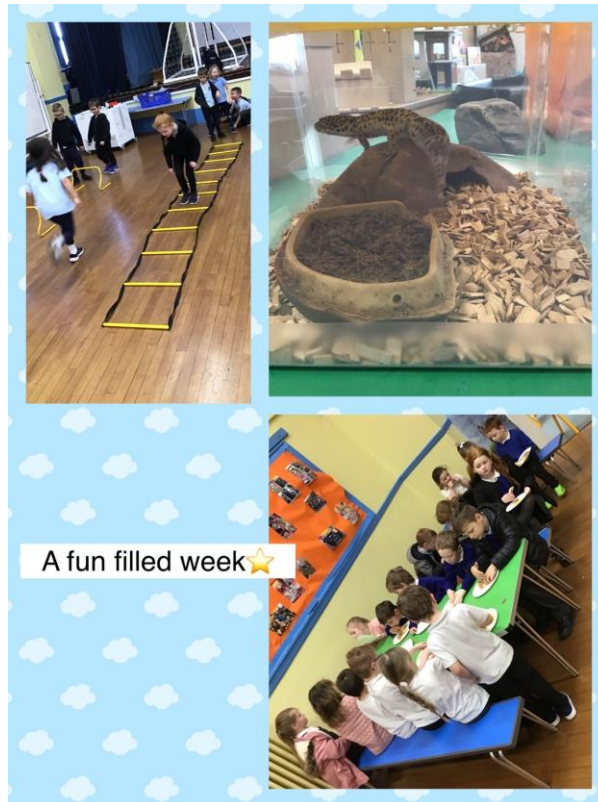
## **Reception**

This week, the reception children have returned to school and are exploring sharing their classroom in continuous provision. They have enjoyed exploring the new areas and particularly some new toys that we have available such as the dolls house!

On Tuesday the children had delicious pancakes to celebrate Shrove Tuesday and they picked their toppings and spread these on!

In maths we have been looking at length and height this week, talking about tall and short and long and short!

We have also been discussing celebrations when babies are born and learning about Christenings/baptisms.



## Year 1

We have had a fun filled first week back this week!

We all enjoyed pancakes with various toppings on pancake day. We were also so excited that Mrs Thomson brought in her pet gecko for us all to meet to help us write our information texts in English. We have been learning about the main features of information texts and how they compare to fictional stories.

In Maths, we have started a new unit looking at length and height. The children have been amazing at this and really understood the terms tall, tallest, short, longer and so on!

In Geography, we have started looking at physical features in the world around us. We are going to be comparing the physical features in Withernsea later in the unit.

Well done year 1, great work!



## Year 2

We have had a very busy week this week as we have spent our mornings practising our test papers. We have done a fantastic job and feel very proud of ourselves!

Despite our busy mornings, the afternoons have also been action packed. We have been detectives in History this week, using facts hidden around the classroom to find out about our new significant person 'Grace Darling'. We are excited to find out even more in the coming weeks.

We have started a new song as part of our music lessons this week. We have been moving to the beat, finding the pulse and the rhythm and we have started the learn the words.

In Science we have continued our work on minibeasts and have been matching a variety of minibeasts to their habitat. We had to think carefully about where the minibeast would live and what makes each habitat suitable.

In DT we have been designing our lighthouses, thinking carefully about the features we need to include. Children are busy collecting materials at home, ready to construct their lighthouse in next week's lesson.

Finally, our RE work this week has focussed on something special that belongs to us. We will be looking at objects that are special to people of different faiths over the next few weeks.



*3 - Instructions!*

### **Year 3**

Year 3 have had a wonderful first week back! We have been exploring chapter 5 in Guided reading and have been nervously awaiting Lila to meet the Fire Fiend! We have started to look at instructions in Writing, focusing on pancake day in particular this week!

In maths we have begun our new topic of Fractions and the children have been working hard to compare fraction amounts!

In Science we have started our new topic of light and the children have really enjoyed looking at light sources and objects which reflect light.

We have been finishing off our clay models and will hopefully be sending them home soon!

We are all looking forward to world book day next week- our focus book is going to be 'The Journey'.

Kind regards,

The Year 3 Team.



#### Year 4

This week the children came back to school ready to learn and work hard. We are beginning to plan our own adventure stories ready to write them up next week. The children have chosen their own danger for the story and we have had everything from a giant snake to a wolf posing a threat within an otherwise peaceful forest. Will the hero save the day? Find out next week. We have continued to develop our knowledge of perimeter and length in maths, and we are starting to discover just what kind of dragon Toothless is in *How To Train Your Dragon*. In P.E., we began our Tag Rugby topic by learning the fundamentals of passing and catching. We also left base camp in our study of Mountains and Volcanoes during Geography this week and are beginning to climb its snowy slopes. See you next week!

The Year 4 Team

#### Year 5

It has been a very interesting week so far, we discovered a skeleton in the peace garden, which we will use as the basis of our new writing topic on newspaper reports. We have continued our work on decimals, ordering and comparing their size and also looking at thousandths. We have also started a new topic in art looking at the artwork of Banksy. In music we have been listening to and performing the "Fresh Prince of Bel Air". Just a reminder that parents evening is next week and we are looking forward to seeing you all, so if you don't have an appointment please return your form as soon as possible, so we can make sure you can get an appointment.

The Year 5 Team



## Year 6

This week year 6 held their 'Pancake Day Extravaganza'. Every class got an opportunity to come and buy a pancake and the event was a huge success - we have raised more money towards the year 6 end of year treats! It was lovely to see so many children happy, smiling and eating pancakes together. Some of the topping combinations the children chose were very creative! As well as eating pancakes we have also done lots of learning. Our biggest focus in class this week has been on our mock SATs, the children have been working really hard in the papers and many are showing good signs of progress. All the children have made us very proud this week. In maths we have moved onto decimals, the children are really enjoying this new topic and are already showing a good understanding of it. In guided reading we have continued to work through our book 'Letters from the lighthouse'. In PE we have now moved onto 'Box 2B Fit', where the children have the opportunity to try out lots of different, fun fitness activities to music.

Miss Hampel, Miss Kirk & Mrs Lindgren



4 - Loving dance party coding ♡

## Provisiono

Welcome back!

We have had a lovely week in Provision, making and eating pancakes was a highlight. We have enjoyed writing our instructions and have really thought about the most effective imperative to choose.

In maths, we have learnt about how to share and introduced the division symbol. Next week we will begin to look at the two times tables, dividing by two and doubles/halves. Tommy has begun to learn about perimeter. Daniel is starting to understand the language of sharing.

Computing was soooooo much fun. We are learning how to code using a dance party theme. If you're interested look on code.org.

Our art topic has begun and it was so interesting looking at the collage work done by the artist Henri Matisse.

We have really tried to think about how we can be respectful and responsible in class, making our room calm and ready for even more learning.

Next week we are excited to try out the new sport of golf.

Happy weekend to all from Provision.

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