

# Newsletter 28.4.23



# Withernsea Primary School Newsletter

# Key Dates

Monday 1st May - School Closed (May bank holiday)

Friday 5th May- Coronation Celebrations, parents invited from 2pm (see in the Coronation section of the newsletter for more details)

Monday 8th May - School Closed (King Charles III's coronation bank holiday)

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

### Weekly Attendance

Last week's whole school attendance was 91.2%. 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 - 79.1%
RJH - 77.7%
1AS - 91.7%
1DT - 87.1%
1SC - 97.9%
2AH - 92.1%
2MJ - 92.6%
20D - 97.9%
3CB - 90.4%
3LK - 93.6%
3LF - 87.6%
4AF - 92.8%
4KB - 98.7%
4ML - 92.7%
5LW - 93.9%
5RT - 97.2%
5CC - 90.9%
6EK - 87.8%
6KH - 89.6%
6RL - 91.5%
Provision - 90%

# King's Coronation Celebrations



We have some exciting plans to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III on Friday 5th May.

#### **Design a Crown Competition**

Children are invited to make their own crowns at home to wear for the day on 5th May. Send a photo of your child wearing their crowns to the class teacher. There will be a small prize for the best crown. The judges will visit each classroom to choose a winner.

#### Activities through the day

Children will be learning all about the Coronation and some of The National Anthem. They will be creating commemorative stamps and flags and a portrait of the king himself. There will be a picnic lunch for children (weather permitting on the field).

#### **Craft Afternoon**

Parents are invited in to join in with crafts from 2pm- 3pm to take part in crafts with your child. If you have more than one child at the school please split your time between them as children will need to remain in their own classrooms. Crafts will finish at 3pm, please wait outside to collect your child from their usual doors.

There will be an art gallery of King Charles portraits in the South Hall and in the North Hall there will be **tea and cake** for sale as well as the chance to win a hamper and to buy items from our Fare Share shop. (4 items per family for £1) Children are invited to wear red, white and blue on this

As Year 6 have SATs the following week their Coronation celebrations will be the week after.



# Withernsea Primary School Breakfast Club

# Fair Share Friday - Withernsea Primary Community Shop

We will be continuing our school community shop every Friday this term from 3 - 3.30pm. We have had some really positive comments from many of you - thank you. If you have not tried it yet, please pop in an see us. If you have, please spread the word!



#### What made you want to be a teacher?

I loved school and wanted to inspire the same in others.

How was your first day as a teacher?

I remember feeling very proud to finally have my own class.

#### What would your perfect classroom be like?

One in which fun and learning were indistinguishable.

#### What's the most interesting thing about this school?

The people. They are some of the most interesting people I have ever met.

#### What accomplishment are you proud of in this school?

Seeing the progress the children I have taught continue to make.

#### If you were Prime Minister for a day, what would you do?

I would change Monday to Funday to take the curse off!

#### What's your worst subject back in school if any? How did you manage to do well in the subject?

There are many to choose from, but probably French. I still work on it every week.

#### What's the best piece of advice you have received from a student?

You've got the date wrong!

#### If you were to describe your school life and experience with a movie, what would that be?

Dead Poets Society.

#### What's the funniest thing you have ever seen a student do?

When told to turn his test 'face down', one child misinterpreted and literally put his face down.

#### What is your best school memory?

Playing rounders in summer during Year 4.

#### What's the one thing about you that children do not believe you when you tell them?

My age!

# Feed the family for a fiver

**BBQ Chicken** 



Please send pictures of any recipes you try this half term to Mrs Wright on dojo and they will be added to the newsletter!

#### Ingredients

• 4 chicken thighs and 4 chicken drumsticks, skin on

For the barbecue sauce

- 1 tbsp soy sauce
- 1 tbsp cider vinegar
- 4 tbsp light brown soft sugar
- 4 tbsp tomato ketchup
- 75ml <u>apple juice</u>
- 1 tbsp Dijon mustard

#### Method

- STEP 1 Heat oven to 180C/160C fan/gas 4. Put the chicken in a <u>roasting tin</u>, season well and cook for 40 mins or until cooked through. Either carry on with the recipe or cool and chill. This step can be done up to two days ahead.
- STEP 2 Put the sauce ingredients in a pan and bring to a simmer, then keep cooking until it thickens a little and looks shiny. Use straight away or cool and chill. The sauce will keep for a week in the fridge.
- STEP 3 Heat a <u>barbecue</u> until the coals are glowing white hot. Brush the chicken pieces all over with the sauce and barbecue them on each side until they are browned and sticky, then brush once more with the sauce. Don't worry about cooking them through, as they are already cooked. If you want to cook them indoors, coat them in the sauce and grill on a medium heat on all sides.

### **Class News**



1 - Nursery

#### Nursery

In nursery, we have started looking at our story Sam Plants a Sunflower and talking about what plants might need to grow.

We have been enjoying finding and drawing different flowers as well as exploring an amazing dyed rice flower on the tuff tray this week!

The children have been working hard with their initial sounds and numbers this week; they did an amazing job at recognising and ordering numerals to 5.



2 - Reception

#### Reception

This week, we have started our new topic of 'What Can We Grow?' and looking at our new story Sam Plants A Sunflower by Kate Petty and Axel Scheffler in our literacy. We have been predicting what will happen in the story by looking at the front cover and blurb.

In our maths we have been exploring numbers beyond 10, counting up to 20 and looking at different representations.

We have planted our sunflower seeds and are looking forward to taking care of them and helping them grow!



3 - Year 1

#### Year 1

This week in year 1, we have been practising our multiplication skills and learning to count in 5s. The children have been really resilient with this as it is a new concept for them, they have done so well!

In English, we have been writing every single day. This has helped the children so much and we have seen a large improvement in handwriting, capital letters and full stops.

In History, we have been looking at what Withernsea used to look like compared to what it looks like today, the children have loved looking through old and new photographs!

We have been carrying on our sessions with Will from Tigers Trust and the children love it!

Well done Year 1:)

#### Year 2

We have had another fun-filled week in year 2!

We have spent the week continuing to recap our knowledge of the key arithmetic skills taught this term. We have focussed our learning on symmetry, shapes and time- we have been amazing and remembered so much!

In English, after our chairs went on strike last week, we wrote a persuasive letter to apologise to the chairs and convince them we will not disrespect them again!

In Geography, we set off on a very exciting walk all around Withernsea. We were working hard to identify the physical features of our environment. The children loved seeing the sea, the sand and the cliffs. We had very interesting conversations about the weather and climate being a physical feature too... we definitely felt it! Brrrr!

In RE we were asking big questions such as who is God and where do they live? We were all very impressed with how respectful the children were of other's beliefs and the discussions we had.

Have a lovely bank holiday weekend,

Year 2!



#### 4 - Year 2

#### Year 3

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What a fun week!

In English we have been looking at how to use fronted adverbials, speech and ellipses in our writing! We have enjoyed continuing reading our book 'This Morning I Met A Whale' in Guided Reading and have done some brilliant research about Whales! In Maths we have finished our topic of Fractions and have started a new topic on Money, the children have really enjoyed this!

PE has been great, we have continued our Bollywood dancing and have learnt 3 new moves! In RE we have been looking at churches and what makes them sacred to Christians. French has been fun the children are enjoying learning new words from the story 'Little Red Riding Hood'. Science has been brilliant, the children made their own investigations to find out what plants need to survive, some children have even placed their plants in fridges, cupboards, plastic bags ect to determine whether their plants will grow without air, light and warmth!

Have a wonderful Bank Holiday weekend, we can wait to see you all again on Tuesday :)

Thanks,

Year 3 team!



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#### Year 4

It has been an exciting week in year 4! We have been learning about the history of gaming in computing and been able to look at games from days gone by and how they have paved the way for the games we play today. In PE we have learned the rules of Boccia and Curling, making sure that we have improved our throwing technique. In Writing, we have finished our non-chronological reports and we are very proud of the work produced. The staff in Year 4 are so pleased with the resilience shown by the children in Maths this week as we have covered some very challenging lessons indeed. In Science we have enjoyed our new 'Sound' unit and now know how important 'vibration' is to our lives.

We hope you all have a great bank holiday weekend with your loved ones.

All the best,

The Year 4 team



7 - Year 5

#### Year 5

Another wonderful week of learning completed! We have continued our topic on shape in Maths and the children have risen to every challenge with excellent resilience. In English our work on discussion texts is shaping up nicely and the children are showing super development in their writing. In Guided Reading the children have thoroughly enjoyed reading more of Dead Man's Cove in addition to our non-fiction text for this week: 'Stranded in a cave'. We have worked hard to develop our skills in preparation to play cricket in PE. In PSHE we discussed staying safe in online communities and the importance of age restrictions. In Science we have begun our topic all about living things and their habitats, focusing on life cycles this week. In History we had lots of fun learning about religious beliefs and the different Greek gods and goddesses.

Hope you all have a wonderful bank holiday weekend and we look forward to seeing all of the children on Tuesday 2nd May!

Many thanks,

The Year 5 Team

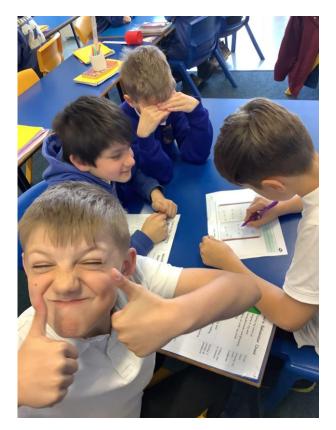
#### Year 6

Following last week's focus on maths, this week year 6 have been really focusing on SPAG. At the start of the week the children completed SPAG and spelling mocks (they tried really hard in these), then for the rest of the week they improved their own papers, others' papers and played fun SPAG based group games. Some of the SPAG games they really enjoyed this week across the classes were 'Spagopoly' (similar to Monopoly) and 'escape the library' (an escape room). To finish the week the

children had another go at a SPAG mock paper, with many showing fantastic improvements in their scores.

In maths we have started our final unit - Shape! The children are really enjoying using protractors in their work and learning about the different angles. In guided reading we have continued to read our class text 'Wonder', and we have also explored some poetry. The poetry we have looked at this week has linked well to our text as it has been focused around prejudices; lots of meaningful discussion was generated. In history this week, we went time travelling! We went to Ancient Egypt, but made many stops along the way. The children developed their understandings of timelines and how long ago Ancient Egyptians actually lived.

The Year 6 Team.



8 - Year 6

What an amazing week we have had in provision. The children have really started to take responsibility for their actions and shown lots of respect.

In English we have had a great time learning the poetic story of brave Beowulf and the fearsome Grendel. We also hand a-little time learning about the Anglo-Saxons who orally told the tale.

We have begun our unit on Fractions and the children have been very successful understand equal/not equal, parts and wholes plus we've started learning about halves. We will continue this over the next few weeks.

In science the children have enjoyed looking at plants life cycles and went on a nature walk to find plants at various stages.

Again PE was lots of fun, we will be focusing on ball skills whilst completing a circuit.

Computing, we have finished our fantastic unit on coding with a bang! The children created their own dance bots.

Enjoy the bank holiday

