



Upcoming Events

March

- 21st Y5 Ripon Grammar School- Science
- 22nd Class 4 & 5 Beamish Museum (8:30am)
- 23rd Class 2 & 3 - Charity Concert at Royal Hall
- 26th University of Lincoln (some Y5 pupils)
- 27th Summer Nursery Transition
- 28th Summer Nursery Transition
- 28th Y5 Ripon Grammar School- Science
- 29th 1:30 Easter Service, St John's Church
2:15pm School closes for Easter holidays



April

- 16th **School Re-opens**

Class 4 held a sponsored run around the school field recently to raise funds to adopt a panda. The children did so well they have managed to adopt a panda and a polar bear; donate £77.01 to Cancer Research and still have money left to improve their outdoor learning area.

Well done Class 4, a total of £439.01 raised

Could you be entitled to Free School Meals and assistance towards school residentials?

If you receive Universal Credit this is currently a qualifying benefit for Free School Meals. Apply before 31st March 2018 either through the school office or

<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals>

Thursday 29th March 1:30 -2:15 Easter Service in St John's Church.

Followed by the FOSS Easter Fair.

Donations of either an Easter egg or a prize for the adult tombola would be very welcome

Class 1 - Monk Park Farm

Class 1 had such a fun day at Monk Park Farm last week. We fed the calves, goats and lambs and we were really soft and gentle when stroking the animals. A HUGE thank you to all of the grown ups that gave up their day and volunteered to help; we hope that you had as much fun as us!





Class 2 *Hockey skills*

This week we picked back up our hockey sticks and learnt some new skills. We began by recapping how to hold the stick safely and practised dribbling the ball. After we started to score goals, we noticed it was easier to do smaller pushes of the ball so that we had more control. Then we paired up and practised our attacking and defending. This part was really fun!



Class 3

We have had a busy time for the last few weeks in Class 3 with snow poetry, World Book Day fun and the start of Science week.

The snow provided us with inspiration for poetry writing which we shared with Class 5. The children used lots of adjectives to create expanded noun phrases and were justifiable proud of their poems.

We were desperately disappointed to miss out on our High Batts trip but we still had fun making apple bird feeders and as soon as we get a date from High Batts we will definitely go to the nature reserve.





Class 4 - RE workshop at Bethel Church

On Monday, Class 4 and 5 walked to Bethel Church in Ripon in our waterproofs and wellies to go to an RE workshop. We learnt about who Jesus is and what the Bible says about him and then we were taken through a tour of his life. We met several characters from the Bible, such as Mary (the mother of Jesus), a lady who had got married in the New Testament, Nicodemus, Caiaphas and a Roman centurion. We also had a snack and some time to complete a worksheet about what we had learnt.

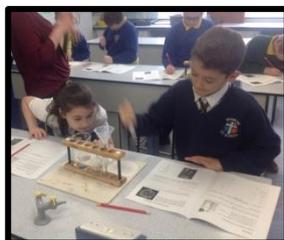


Class 5 Scintillating Science...

As part of our theme of Science and exploration, Class Four and Five had the opportunity to meet Mr Les Barclay on Monday afternoon. Sixty years ago, Mr Barclay was part of an exploration team that was sent to Antarctica for two years. Mr Barclay shared an array of amazing photographs detailing his extraordinary experiences! The children could see pictures of Mr Barclay's journey south, including the moment when they had to cut a ship free from the ice. The children listened carefully and had so many questions about what it must have been like to live in conditions where the temperature was minus 40! Mr Barclay had the amazing opportunity to explore a part of the world that no other person had been to before. Who knows if there is a future explorer in our school?

Years Four, Five and Six have had the opportunity, this half term, to take part in a series of science workshops at the Grammar school. The children have really enjoyed the opportunity to work in Science Labs and Mr Barker has shown us some amazing things!

Yesterday, Year Five children from Skelton and Sharow, had the opportunity to do a series of experiments to explore different states of matter. The children all showed wonderful listening skills and worked brilliantly together. We learnt a lot during the lesson and were particularly interested in the Non-Newtonian fluid, which is both a liquid AND a solid! If you get out the box of custard powder; the children will explain!





WORLD BOOK DAY

It will take more than the Beast from the East to stop our children and staff from dressing up and just look at how creative they were



Les Barclay, Antarctic Explorer

More pictures are available on the school website.

