



TRACTOR TIMES

Summer Term
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Dear Parents/Carers

Only a week to go until the end of term and the schools are showing what wonderful pupils they have. In the past week I've attended end of year shows and sports afternoons which have made my heart 'fit to burst' with joy. We are so lucky that our pupils are growing to be such good people, who can participate in activities beyond the classroom with a positive approach whilst enjoying themselves.

Thank you again to those who attended Grassington School's Summer Fayre and Kettlewell's Big Walk; not only did those participating have a good time but we raised funds for both schools.

Breakfast Club Staff – Urgent Appeal

If any parent is willing (or if you know of anyone who might be willing) to be employed at Grassington School as a Breakfast Club Leader please will they contact me urgently.

Mrs Morton Lee
Executive Headteacher

Diary Dates

Monday 17 July	Class 3 Outing to Linton
Friday 21 July	Non-Uniform Day in aid of Martin House Hospice £1.00 per pupil
Friday 21 July	9.00 am Praise Assembly
Friday 21 July	3.15pm Leaver's Guard of Honour
	3.30 pm Break up for the Summer Holiday

PTA Summer Fayre

We are delighted to let you know that the PTA Summer Fayre raised a marvellous £489.16. Well done to everyone who helped to organise and run the event and to everyone who came.

Thursday 20 July: Whole School Leaver's Service at St Michaels and All Angels, Linton

Our Leaver's Service is being prepared by all the children and is our opportunity to come together and celebrate their time with us at Grassington School. Everyone is invited and it would be lovely if as many of you as possible could walk to Church with us (setting off from school at 1.15pm), or alternatively meet us there for the Service. Parents will be able to take children home afterwards or staff will walk back to school with children where they can be collected at 3.30pm, as usual.

If you haven't yet returned the permission slip (attached to last week's Tractor Times) please can you do so as soon as possible?

Friday 21 July: Non-Uniform Day in aid of Martin House Hospice

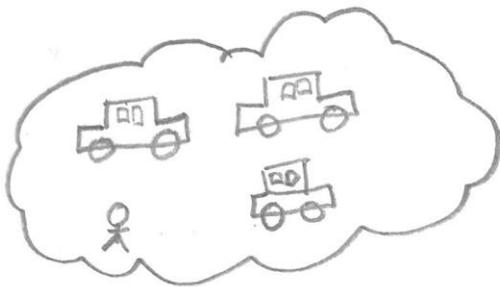
You will remember that this term some of the children to part in an art project to mark the 30th anniversary of Martin House Hospice. This week we took three of the Y6 children to visit the Hospice. We learnt more about the family-led care and support for children and young people with life-limiting conditions. The children who visited have asked that we have a non-uniform day in aid of Martin House Hospice. £1 per pupil please.

School Sports Kit & School Football Kit

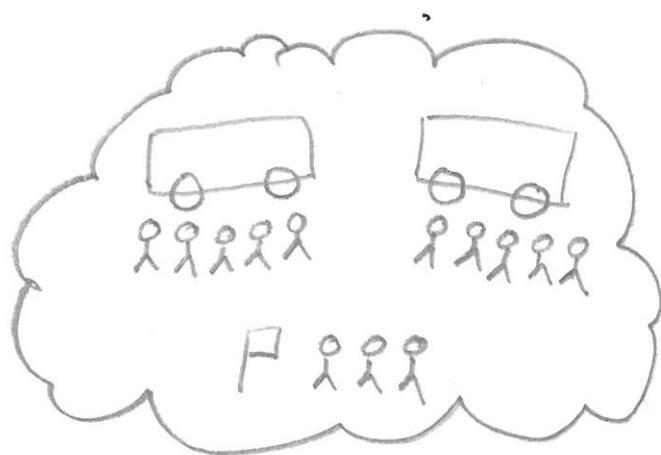
Please can you check to see if you have still got any items of the school's Sports Kit and Football Kit at home or in the car, at Granny's or even still in the washing basket?

We are missing two Red Polo Shirts, two white polo shirts and all of Football Kit 9 and the top and shorts from Football Kit 5. Please do you best to look for and return these before the end of term is they have inadvertently been overlooked. Thank you.

News from Class 3



Can you make a division story to go with each of these cartoons?



In Maths we have revised methods of division, using both short and long methods. As well as practising the different methods, we have solved worded problems and extended ourselves with reasoning questions. Finally, we have made up our own short division stories based on drawings that Mrs Harrison has given us.

In Literacy, we continued with our work on the story of the disappearance of Professor Orit and have finished our newspaper reports. We have coloured some paper with tea and have written our work up for display, making sure that we laid our stories out in columns, just like a real newspaper.

On Monday we had the dress rehearsal of Jack and the Beanstalk. As is traditional with dress rehearsals, everything didn't go completely to plan, but we are sure that 'it will be alright on the night'! We are certainly very excited about performing the show, and another run-through on Wednesday

afternoon has given us confidence that it will be a super show on Friday afternoon and evening. Make sure you watch out for the giant – he's a bit of a nasty pasty!

On Thursday morning, Year 5 were at Upper Wharfedale School for the 'Refugee Morning'. They heard the story of two refugees from Syria who are currently staying in Leeds. They also had to make hypothetical decisions as if they were real refugees or in a position to help refugees. These included who they would save if there were limited spaces in a boat, what they would take with them if they had to flee their homes and who they would welcome into their homes if in a situation to help refugees. It was a very thought-provoking morning.

Meanwhile, three Year 6 children went to Martin House Hospice at Boston Spa and learned about the work they do, the sort of children that they help, the care that they give and how much it costs. We are hoping to do some fund-raising to help them in their excellent work.

Finally, we have been thinking about and preparing for the Year 6 Leavers' Service on Thursday afternoon – deciding on songs and readings – and this has inevitably made us think about the current Year 6 not being with us after next week. We are sure it will be a memorable service, there are bound to be a few tears shed.



News from Class 2

This week class 2 have completed their diaries from the perspective of Ernest Shackleton and have done a fantastic job including all key features as well as showing off their other amazing writing skills. They have shown brilliant understanding of the events that took place on the expedition with some added imaginative detail thrown in too. Well done everyone!

In maths the children's fluency in their multiplications have been increasing this week as have their skills in their written methods. This is fantastic as they will use these skills to help in their divisions next week and when they compete against each other in the games they have created.

Well done to all who took part in the school production, it was fantastic!

We will take in reading books, records and maths missions on Wednesday ready for the end of term. Thank you for all support with your child's learning this year, it has been wonderful teaching Class 2 and I hope you all have a wonderful, well deserved summer break together.

News from Class 1

We had a busy week last week. Our butterflies have been set free and we have been discussing the life cycle of a butterfly. We have also learnt some funky facts about butterflies, such as they hear with their wings. The children have drawn a diagram showing the life cycle and have been investigating how information books are set out, for example where to find the contents page, the index, page titles, subtitles and paragraphs.

In Maths Year 1 have been continuing to use their division to solve number problems. Reception have been making some amazing symmetrical patterns on the Numicon and peg boards independently. They have also been investigating 3D shapes and how to describe shapes. For example, looking at the number of faces on a cube.

I would like to say how proud I was of all of the children at Friday's performance of 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. It can be very daunting being on stage and there had been a few nervous tummies but everyone was fantastic. The children have worked so hard to learn the words and actions to all the songs and they all looked amazing. Well done everyone.

As we are in the last week of term please can your child bring in a named plastic bag for any things that need to be taken home? I will be collecting in reading books, reading records, learning logs and maths missions on Wednesday.

Thank you for all your support this year. I cannot believe how this year has flown and I have thoroughly enjoyed teaching Class 1. I hope you all have a wonderful summer holiday together.

Year 1 Fantasy Day

Year 1 had a fantastical Fantasy Day at Cracoe last Monday week. Here are a couple of pictures from the day.



We hope everyone enjoys the last week at school before the Summer Break.

