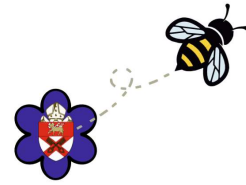




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Newsletter Christmas 2023

What a fantastic Autumn term we have had! As we race towards Christmas I thought I'd give you an overview of all the incredible things which have been happening in school over the last 15 weeks.

There has been so much to **CELEBRATE**:

- Our athletes have performed brilliantly – the Y5/6 football team reached the finals of the Bedale Cluster tournament, and one of our Y4s got through to the North Yorkshire Cross Country finals – watch this space in Spring term for how he performs!
- Year 6 have all successfully completed the first section of their Taking Flight projects, receiving their Young Leader hoodies today. This year they have chosen a jaunty shade of claret red, and will be leading playtime clubs from the Spring term. We look forward to seeing them receive their Bronze bee pinbadges at their first Celebration Assembly of Spring term (date below).
- Our younger pupils have given their all at their Nativity in St Michael's Church – we were blown away by their singing and dancing, and it was lovely to see the church so full.
- St Lambert's Burneston hosted our whole school Harvest Festival, which was similarly well attended. Our children did us proud, and our collection of dry goods and toiletries helped local charities and good causes.
- Celebration Assemblies have been a great opportunity to celebrate together, and Buzz Club has been brilliant fun!

We have been able to **COLLABORATE** too:

- One of our parents who has hedgehogs close to her heart has given us a hedgehog house which the children in Forest Schools have dug into a quieter area of our field.
- Our non-uniform day in support of Herriot Hospice Homecare raised over £200 for our local charity.
- Wrens and Swifts created a delicious soup as part of their DT project, which raised over £100 for books and equipment for their classes.
- Robins baked up a storm to raise money towards their Vindolanda trip – nearly £300!



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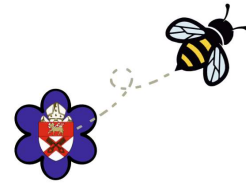




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- FOBS have worked so hard this term: £900 at the Bedale carboot; £300 at the party; £50 in jam sales; £50 for the Body Shop raffle, £300 at the KS2 Carol Service. Thank you all so much for your support with this - we have used it so far for buses for trips, replacing outdoor toys and equipment, buying brilliant books for phonics and older reading, treats at the Christmas dinner, Christmas craft supplies, cookery ingredients.
- Rev James has helped us to deliver fantastic services, as well as Soul Children, and his latest project the Eco Council. We look forward to further collaboration with the Church community over the rest of the year.
- One of our amazing RAF parents brought a crack squad in to help us remove the PE sheds ahead of our new library arriving.

There have been lots of opportunities to **POLLINATE** our brilliant school further afield:

- Max is continuing to fundraise with his running (and thank you for all of you who have supported his Just Giving page with this), and he is spreading the running bug, with several friends joining him on the Bedale Santa Run!
- Our wonderful ambassador Year 6s did the most fantastic job showing our potential new starter families around. We had such lovely feedback from our visitors – thank you Year 6!
- Robins spread a little bit of the best of Burneston on their trip to Hadrian's Wall – people were stopping us to say how polite and well mannered they were!

What a busy term it has been! We look forward to seeing you all back in school on Tuesday 9th January, and wish you all a wonderful Christmas and New Year!

Don't forget you can also check out our Twitter account (@BurnestonSchool) to see what we've been up to! You don't have to have a Twitter account yourself, you can just google it, or follow via the school website (<http://burneston.n-yorks.sch.uk/>).



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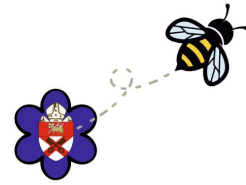




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Dates:

When	What	Who
Monday 8 th January	Staff Training Day	All Staff
Tuesday 9 th January	Start of Spring Term	All
Thursday 11 th January	Forest Schools begin	Swifts Class (Y1/2)
Friday 12 th January	Swimming Lessons begin	Robins Class (Y3/4)
Monday 15 th January	Science and DT Day, Bedale High School	Year 5
Thursday 18 th January	Puppet Workshop	Wrens and Swifts Classes (EYFS, Y1, Y2)
Friday 19 th January 2.30pm (please note earlier time due to awards)	KS2 Celebration Assembly, including Taking Flight awards	Robins and Hawks Classes (Y3-6), Taking Flight (Y6)
Friday 2 nd February (usual time, 2.45pm)	KS1 Celebration Assembly	Wrens and Swifts Classes (EYFS, Y1, Y2)
Monday 5 th February – Friday 9 th February	Bewerley Park Residential	Hawks Class (Y5/6)
Friday 9 th February	Break up for Half Term	All
Monday 19 th February	School opens	All
Friday 23 rd February	KS2 Celebration Assembly	Hawks and Robins Classes (Y3-6)
Friday 8 th March	KS1 Celebration Assembly	Wrens and Swifts (EYFS, Y1, Y2)
Friday 22 nd March, 9.15am TBC	Easter Service, St Lambert's, Burneston	All
Friday 22 nd March	Break up for Easter	All
Monday 8 th April	Training Day	Staff
Tuesday 9 th April	Start of Summer Term	All



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