

# North Stainley C of E Primary School



**From Mrs Wallen-** It has been such a joy welcoming the children back to school; for the new school year 2021-2022. With the added pleasure of all our classes being able to mix, work together and play together. Watching the smallest of our children in Reception challenging the biggest of our children in Class 6 at football; Class 3 reading with Class 1 every Friday and Class 2 creating fun and chaos with the other classes in our scrap store challenges. Whilst this has been very entertaining for all, it also goes much deeper in supporting and reinforcing those Christian values that we hold at the very centre of our school.

We have welcomed '4 New Starters' into Reception Class along with Mia, Beatrice, Henry, William and Ryley into other classes across the school. It has been an absolute pleasure getting to know all of these new faces and characters over the past few weeks and we can already see how they all bring their own unique offerings to the life of our school.

Once again, we are able to embrace our wider community. We have welcomed members of the Church Community, the Thursday Supper Club, the North Stainley Trust and Volunteers from within and from outside of the Village. It has been a wonderful addition to the social and cultural aspects of our school, and we aim to continue building these relationships over time.



*"our values are like roots holding us firm."*

## School Ambassadors:

**Head Ambassadors:**  
Toby and Charlotte

**Deputy Ambassadors:**  
Robert and Boe

**Worship Ambassadors:**  
William W and Jack

**Charity Ambassadors:**

Boe, William F

**Environment Ambassadors:**

Charlotte, Robert

**Sporting Ambassadors:**

Toby and William F

**House Ambassadors:**

Poppy (red): William F

Snapdragon (blue) Jack

Clover (green) William W

Sunflower (yellow) Robert

**School council:**

Class One: Edmee, Felix, Poppy.

Class Two: Esme, Thomas.

Class Three :William G

**This half term our Ambassadors have been organising a number of events in school. Leading our Collective Worship. Representing our school at community events; as well as maintaining and enriching our school environment. A great start to the year!!!**

**For all of our new parents: Purple and White Ribbons**

On a Friday we celebrate significant achievements made by individual children by awarding Purple Ribbons, this may be for achievements in their work, behavior, attitudes or representation of school values.

Should your child receive a purple ribbon you will be notified via our website and email. You will also be sent a printable certificate.



*Purple Ribbons  
awarded weekly.*

**A White Ribbon award is even more special and will only go to a few children who do something their teachers or their peers agree is truly remarkable.**

The Park Memorial Trophy 2020-21 was presented to Isaac Blenkinsop. Unfortunately due to school closure at the end of the summer term we were unable to present this at the Leavers Service. So we would like to congratulate Isaac here for earning the.....

**Outstanding Achievement  
Award  
Isaac Blenkinsop**

Over the years, he has grown into an outstanding young person. He has earned and deserves to receive this special award for outstanding achievement. He has consistently embraced all of our school values. He has been an absolute delight to teach and to have in our school. To every lesson or activity, he has always shared his ideas and opinions along with a great sense of humour. We will miss him and wish him every success in the future. He will go far!

Congratulations!



North Stainley CE School would like to say a

**‘BIG CONGRATULATIONS’**

To Brian and Elizabeth Watkinson and To Neville and Sheila Newton on their Diamond Wedding Anniversary as well as a big thank you for your kind gifts to our school. The staff and children really enjoyed the presentation you gave and seeing the wedding photographs and your card from the Queen.

Thank you so much for your continuing support. We will be spending your donation wisely.



## 5 Ways to Wellbeing.

We were back at Ripon Baths for a final swim before they close permanently. All part of being active and keeping learning.

Wellbeing club on a Wednesday night have been busy connecting over hot chocolate and biscuits whilst keeping learning... Juggling was just one example .



## Forest schools

Tree hugging, litter picking, natural camouflage and some forest crafts have all been the order of the day this half term at forest schools. The children are learning to appreciate and become caretakers of their natural environment. A lot of fun is being had along the way!!

A big thank you to Jane Mansell and Sarah McGavin who have helped with forest schools this half term. We hope to continue this over the whole year as it is such a wonderful and stimulating learning resource.

## Humphrey Head

Class 3 had a wonderful time at Humphrey Head last week, it was a great success and our surroundings were stunning. We were so proud of the way they all engaged with the activities and showed such resilience. It was also lovely to see how they made some new friends with children from Markington school. We are going to be planning some further activities with them in the future so watch this space.



## Bible and Dictionary



Thank you to the Thursday Supper club for once again donating bibles for each of our 'new starters'. This year we were able to have a whole school Welcome service in St Mary's Church. In addition to the bibles we were able to present dictionaries to all of the Year 2 children, these were kindly donated to us by the Ripon Rotary Club a big thank you for this thoughtful contribution to our school.



**Harvest Around the World** was our theme for the Harvest Festival celebration this October. We enjoyed having many of our wider school community in the congregation and hope that they enjoyed our presentations from around the world. Thank you also to all of our school community who donated food items that have been passed onto the Ripon food bank.



**Planting Daffodils** . This year we were invited by the North Stainley Trust to help with the planting of daffodil bulbs. Led by Kia Mathieson and Ray Starr the children were able to all plant some daffodil bulbs, 200 were planted in total. Despite the torrential rain everyone really enjoyed 'getting their hands dirty' and are very excited about the daffodils appearing in the Spring. Thank you Kia and Ray for getting soaked through for our school!!



*In Class One we have had a brilliant first half term adjusting to being back at school and helping lots of new children to settle in- which they have done fantastically and already show so many of our Christian Values!*

*We have been so busy learning this half term, including some road safety training, meeting our spelling 'aliens', planting daffodils in the community garden, learning about the 12 disciples, drawing self-portraits for our display, making up our own spooky Halloween dances and we even found a newt whilst looking through some Autumn leaves! It has been very interesting, exciting and great fun!*



Class 2 have enjoyed learning about the Romans. They have made a timeline to show the Roman Invasions and enjoyed finding out interesting facts about Hadrian's Wall and Boudicca. In Geography we have learnt about the water cycle and the children worked in groups to make a working model of the water cycle. The children have also been finding out about solids, liquids and gases and have been developing their science skills investigating which fizzy drink contains the most carbon dioxide.

### Who Let the Gods Out

Class 3 are thoroughly enjoying our class book: *Who Let the Gods Out*. We started reading it because it related to our work on ancient Greece and now we are just engrossed. It is highly amusing and we are enjoying the drama. From it, we have been finding out about our star signs and the constellations that represent them which has been intriguing.

