



ALPINGTON & BERGH APTON Church of England VA Primary School

Dear Parents

Parents and families of Skylarks, Owls and Eagles were served up a real treat this week when KS2 performed “**Olivia**”. We were so proud of all the children, it was an absolute joy to see them acting, singing and dancing with such tremendous confidence. Well done to everyone who took part. It is impossible to single out anyone for special plaudits as so many children rose to the challenge and did things that were out of their comfort zone. However, I really do pay tribute to Mrs Weathers, Mrs York, Miss Langlands for their hard work in organising and motivating the children and to all the KS2 teaching assistants who gave such terrific support. Thanks also to our “set designer” Jenny Rope who really helped create the atmosphere.

If you missed the performance, or would like a lasting memento, David Whiteley has kindly recorded the dress rehearsal and DVDs will be made available. Thank you, yet again Mr Whiteley.

Statutory assessment

Annual School Reports, except Y6, will be coming home today, Friday 13th, accompanied with statutory assessments where relevant. Parents/carers of Y6 children will be able to collect their child’s report when they come into school on Monday morning.

Parents of children in Reception will receive their child’s Early Years Foundation Stage assessment;

Parents of Year 1 pupils will receive the Y1 phonics assessment outcomes;

Parents of Y2 pupils will receive the end of KS1 assessments;

Parents of Y6 pupils will receive the end of KS2 test outcomes.

Open Afternoons

There will be an opportunity to discuss any questions and issues around reports next Wednesday (18th) during the Open Afternoons:

Robins and Kingfishers – 2.00pm – 4.00pm

Skylarks and Owls: 3.00pm – 4.00pm

As **Eagles** will be at How Hill on Wednesday, parents will be able to come and discuss reports with me during Thursday afternoon from 2.30pm - 4.00pm and I will try to answer any questions or concerns.

If you particularly want a one-to-one meeting with your child’s teacher please arrange a convenient time with them.

Diary:

Please see page 4.

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We are required to report publicly the end of KS1 and KS2 outcomes and these will be placed on the school website shortly.

We are very pleased with the outcomes of both KS1 and KS2 assessments and tests.

KS2 outcomes

Subject	% of pupils at expected standard: school	% of pupils at expected standard: nationally	Average scaled score: School	Average scaled score: Nationally
Reading	100	75	112	105
Grammar, punctuation and spelling	94	78	110	106
Maths	100	76	112	104
Writing (teacher assessment)	94	78	N/A	N/A
Science (teacher assessment)	94	82 (2017 data)	N/A	N/A

KS1 outcomes

Subject	% at expected standard	% at Greater depth	% working towards the standard
Reading	93.3	33	6.7
Writing	80	33	20
Maths	80	40	
Science	100		

Admissions for Robins September 2018

We have been informed that one child who was on our list to come this September has moved away and so we do have a space for a YR child should you know of anyone who is looking for a place here. Please tell them to ring Mrs Reeman at the school office for details of spaces, tel. 01508 492700.

Year 1 September 2018 – Miss Langlands is holding a transition meeting for the parents of current YR parents to explain routines and expectations in Year 1 after school on Tues 17th July. If you are unable to make this meeting then please make an arrangement for a word with Miss Langlands at drop off or collecting time.

How Hill

Year 5 and 6 are off to How Hill for three days Mon. to Wed. next week. Parents please keep an eye on the weather and make sure the children are dressed accordingly. I have talked to the children and to the parents who came to the meeting about the midges that can be at How Hill during the early evening. Please make sure your child has a long sleeved top and sun cream. We will take some antihistamine and piriton as well as liquid paracetamol and ibuprofen which we can administer if we have your written permission. Even if it is hot a jumper/sweatshirt is good for the evenings. Please drop off suitcases in the shelter on arrival on Monday morning.

Poringland Library – Reading Challenge

The children's librarian from Poringland recently visited the school and explained the latest Summer Reading Challenge, "Mischievous Makers" to the children. She also told them about the many

reading opportunities the library offers, including its extended opening hours. It is really important for the children to keep reading during the long summer holiday so I hope many of them will go along and take part. The story sacks sounded particularly appealing. Look on their website for further details.

National Child Measurement Programme Results

Please see the attached summary of the 2016/17 report.

Sally Hitchcock – Parent Support Advisor

Sally's recent "surgery" was very well attended and in response to parents' requests she is holding a short series of five parenting meeting beginning **Wed 19th September** from **9.30 – 11.30am at Alington**. Please see attached flier for more information.

Parish Council

Yelverton Parish Council would like to survey parents and children about the play area at the village hall. They are seeking to make improvements and would appreciate your input. Please complete the attached survey and return to davidwhitehead997@gmail.com

Landlubbers

Please see details and registration of the Thurton Holiday Club attached.

Parking – I have had a complaint from a resident who very nearly knocked over a family emerging from between two parked cars on Wed. afternoon. The problem was caused by parents parking far too close to the crossroads. This seems to be an issue as several parents have complained about it. If you have a large vehicle and park on the junction then it really does restrict visibility. In addition please do not park on the zig-zags at the beginning and end of the school day. I was trying to help someone across the road and two cars were blocking visibility up Wheel Road. This is so dangerous. If you are worried about being late to collect your child then don't worry we aren't rushing off anywhere and we will always take the child back into school until you arrive. It is much better to park further away and walk, even if you then arrive a few minutes late.

The Big School Sleepover

This was a very successful evening. The children were so well behaved and we had lots of fun playing team games, den making, building fires and toasting marshmallows. Please see our website for photographs and a report from Mrs Eland. To date £751.00 has been raised for YMCA – fantastic, thank you.

Mr Cooper – guitarman still has some spaces from September for children in KS2 – please return the attached interest slip and return to the office asap. Unless we are informed otherwise we will presume all those children currently having lessons with Mr Cooper, albeit the Y6, will continue.

Tennis - From September Mrs Seppings has spaces for tennis tuition for Y1, 2 and 3 pupils on Wed afternoons 3-4pm. Again, please complete the attached interest slip and return to the office asap.

Holiday Clubs

Art days – Wed and Thurs 15th and 16th August – this is now full

Wed and Thurs 22nd and 23rd August – few spaces left

Gymfinity Days – Tues 31st July, 14th and 18th August

Landlubbers Thurton Church holiday club – Mon 6th to Thurs 9th August. A pirate –themed week of Bible stories, games, crafts, drama, music and jokes for all 5-11 year olds. Further details and registration forms are attached.

Overdue monies Mrs Reeman has asked that all parents settle any outstanding money owed for lunches, breakfast clubs, trips etc. as soon as possible. Last day of banking will be Friday 20th July. Mrs Perfitt has sent home notes informing you of outstanding monies, please check your child's book bag.

The menu on the last day of term will be fish fingers and chips or cheese and tomato quiche followed by jelly and ice cream. Please include in your payments for lunches and breakfast clubs the last two days of term- lunches = £2.30; breakfast club - £4.50, siblings £4.00.

GDPR Privacy Notice for Pupils and their Families. Please can you hand these completed forms into the school office as soon as possible.

Bergh Apton Fete tomorrow – 2pm Saturday 14th July

Cakes to buy or bakes to bring would be hugely appreciated! Members of Governors and Friends are running the stall so will look forward to seeing everyone!

Further dates for rest of the term:

- Mon 16th – Wed 18th July inc. Y5 and Y6 residential trip to How Hill
- Thurs 19th and Fri 20th July – Y6 pupils transferring to Hobart transition day
- Tues 24th July – 9.30am Leavers' assembly. Year 6 parents are warmly invited to join us, we do hope you are able to come
- Tues 24th ... break up for summer holiday!

Finally – the staff join me in wishing you all a good summer holiday and trust you will come back refreshed in September. As well as some changes in Year group formations and classrooms in KS1 we will also be welcoming back Mrs Chisholm as Miss Langlands is getting married on 18th August. We all wish her and Marcus, her husband to be, a wonderful day, with lots of sunshine and a long and happy life together.

The children return to school Thurs. 6th September.

Yours sincerely

Teresa Osborne

Attachments

- Summer Reading Challenge – Mischief Makers
- National Child Measurement Programme Results
- 5 week Parenting Programme starting Wed. 19th Sept, 9,30-11.30am flyer
- Yelverton Parish Council survey for play area at village hall
- Alpington Art Club – 22nd and 23rd Aug. availability
- “Landlubbers”, Thurton Church Holiday Club, Mon. 6th – Thurs. 9th Aug.
- Gymfinity Activity Days – Tues. 31st July, 14th and 28th Aug.
- KS2 Guitar lessons interest slip
- Years 1, 2 and 3 Tennis interest slip
- KS2 DVD order form for Olivia!