

Friday 16th October 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

A huge thank you to everyone who joined us for the sponsored walk! It was wonderful to see so many of you out there supporting the children. They did a fantastic job and thoroughly enjoyed a well-deserved ice cream along the way.

Well done to Miss Ghorst's class, who won this week's attendance award with a perfect 100%.

As a reminder, next week we will be following Week 1 on the lunch menu.

Christian Distinctiveness

A group of our Year 2 children visited Filey Fields on Wednesday to sing harvest songs and hand out harvest cards to the residents. We were also delighted to share some of your generous Harvest Festival donations with the residents last week!



Seesaw and Instagram

As you know, we have now transitioned to using Seesaw as a home-school digital learning journey for all children across the school. Seesaw is a secure, closed platform, providing a safe way for us to share your child's photos and learning milestones directly with you at home.

Following questions from a number of parents regarding the risks of AI and children's photos on public social media, our staff and governors have discussed this carefully. As a result, we have taken the decision to close our official Instagram account. Going forward, all photo sharing will take place through the Seesaw app. Please note that all existing photo consent preferences will continue to apply.

School Admissions: Reception & Junior Places (September 2027 Entry)

Following up on last week's newsletter, please find attached to your email additional information regarding school applications for children starting Reception in September 2027. We are also delighted to invite parents and carers to our upcoming Open Evening On Thursday 12th November 4:00pm-6:00pm. This will be a wonderful opportunity to explore our EYFS environment and ask any questions you may have before the application window closes. Please feel free to share this invitation with anyone else you know who is applying for a Reception place for September.

If your child is currently in Year 2, you must apply through the local authority school admissions portal. Please be aware that moving from the Infant to Junior school is not automatic—all Year 2 parents must formally submit an application for a place at Filey Junior School. Please find the link to the application page below.

<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/education-and-learning/education-and-learning/school-admissions/start-ing-primary-school-and-junior-school>

Packed Lunches

As a quick safety reminder for our under 5s, please be mindful of foods that can pose a choking risk. To help keep our lunchtimes safe, we ask that you always cut grapes and cherry tomatoes lengthways rather than sending them in whole. Additionally, please avoid packing popcorn and marshmallows altogether, as these are high-risk choking hazards for children under five. Thank you so much for your support. For my information from the NHS Best Start in Life please click on the link below.

[NHS Best Start in Life](#)

Poppy Appeal

In the lead-up to Remembrance Day, we will be selling poppies in school next week and continuing for the week following half term. Alongside traditional poppies, children will also have the opportunity to choose from a selection of special items, including wristbands, reflective poppies, and snap bands. There is no set price for any of these items; instead, we kindly ask for voluntary donations.

Poetry Assemblies

Just a quick reminder that we have two Class Poetry Assemblies coming up next week in the school hall! Miss **Ring's class** will be performing on **Wednesday, 21st October at 2:30 pm**, followed by **Miss Ghorst's class on Friday, 23rd October, also at 2:30 pm**. The children have been working so hard on their poems, and we would love to see as many of you there as possible to support them and enjoy their performances.

Year 2

This week, Year 2 have been practising writing different types of sentences in their literacy lessons. They have used Dougal's Deep Sea Diary to inspire their sentences and practised writing in the past tense. They have also been learning the poem, 'Pirate Pete.' In maths they have been exploring place value with 2 digit numbers. For Mental Health Awareness Day they thought about all of the things that make them feel happy. In R.E they learnt about the Islamic story of the Revelation of the Holy Qur'an. In DT they enjoyed creating their own clay boat.

Year 1

This week year 1 have been busy preparing for their poetry assemblies. In science we thought about the changes we have been seeing around us as we move into Autumn. We used our observations in Literacy to write a poem about seasonal changes. In maths we continued our learning about comparing. We are practicing using the greater than, less than and equal to symbols to record comparisons. On Monday we celebrated World Mental Health Day by thinking about and sharing what makes us happy. During art we used our colour mixing skills to create beautiful and colourful paintings of beach huts inspired by local artist Deborah Barker. In Geography we worked together to create a map of our classroom.

Reception

This week Reception have been reading the story 'Super Duper You' which linked to Children's mental health day and thinking about all the things that they are good at and enjoy doing. In Maths we have been learning all about the number 4 and we particularly enjoyed making lots of different shapes with

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4 blocks. This half term we have been thinking about people who help us and we were very lucky to have the paramedics from Filey Ambulance Station join us on Tuesday afternoon. We really enjoyed getting to look inside an ambulance and asking the paramedics any questions we had.

Nursery

This week in Nursery we have been learning the nursery rhyme 'Pat a cake' and the children have enjoyed doing the actions to the song. We have thought about the rhyming words pan and man, baker and shaker and cake and snake. In maths we have looked at the numbers 0-5 and played games to learn to recognise the numbers. We drew and coloured in Autumn pictures and spoke about the days of the week.

We're always here to help—please get in touch if you have any questions or concerns.

Best Wishes,

Mrs Hannah Stubbs

Headteacher

Diary Dates – Please keep these dates safe for your information (more dates will be added as they arise).

October

Wednesday 21st October - Miss Ring's Class Poetry Assembly in the hall at 2.30pm.

Friday 23rd October - Miss Ghorst's Class Poetry Assembly in the hall at 2.30pm

Friday 23rd October-School closes for half term

November

Monday 2nd November- School reopens

Wednesday 11th November-Flu Vaccination Program

Thursday 12th November Reception New Starters Open Evening

Friday 13th November- Teacher Training Day (School Closed)

Monday 16th November Odd sock Day (Anti Bullying week)

Thursday 19th November- My Jacksons Class last swimming lesson

Friday 20th November- Children in Need

Thursday 26th November- Miss Haldenby's Class first swimming lesson

December

Wednesdays 2nd December- A group of Reception children visit Filey Fields

Friday 4th December- Christmas Fair 3-4.30pm

Monday 7th December- Nursery Christmas carols and mince pies 2:15pm

Tuesday 8th December -Year 2 Nativity Play 2pm

Wednesday 9th December- Year 2 Nativity Play 9.30am

Wednesday 9th December- Year 1 Nativity Play 2pm

Thursday 10th December- Year 1 Nativity Play 9.30am

Thursday 10th December -Reception Nativity Play 2pm

Friday 11th December- Reception Nativity Play 9.30am

Friday 11th December- Christmas Dinner Day

Tuesday 15th December KS1 trip to the Pantomime

Wednesday 16th December- EYFS trip to SJT

Friday 18th December- Christingle Service St Johns Church

Friday 18th December- School closes for Christmas holidays