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THIS WEEK'S SUPERSTAR

IS:

LENA CHORAZYK

Determination to improve her reading comprehension skill, we have noticed an improvement in your ability to answer complex questions about text. WELL DONE

This Week's House Points

Harriers (red) : 26

Eagles (green) : 28

Hawks (yellow): 24

Falcons (blue): 34



WELCOME BACK

HAPPY NEW YEAR. We hope you all had a fabulous Christmas as we look forward to all the new adventures 2020 sends our way.

LIBRARY VISIT

Friday 17th January - Beech Class

SCHOOL UPDATES

Funds raised

Following ticket sales from the EYFS Nativity & KS1 performance, along with raffles, we raised a total of £420.80 for school funds which will go towards phonics books.

Christmas Jumper day raised £76.50 which will be donated to the Save the Children Charity.

DIARY DATES

Tue 14th Jan

Young Voices @ Sheffield Arena

Fri 17th Jan

Year 3/6 Gymnastics @ Ryedale

Fri 24th Jan

Year 3/6 Table Tennis @ Helmsley School

Wed 29th Jan

Rowan Class to see Ampleforth College's production of 'We will Rock You' @ Ampleforth College

Fri 7th Feb

Multi-Skills Years 1&2 @ Ryedale

Tue 11th Feb

SAT's Workshop for Year 6 parents 5:00pm

Fri 14th Feb

Swim Gala @ Ampleforth Pool

Fri 14th Feb

School closes for half term

Mon 24th Feb

School re-opens





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Reminder

To ensure everyone's safety the car park gates are closed at 8:45am and at this point children and parents are welcomed into school.

Parent Workshops

We will be holding Parent Workshops to help parents support their children at home.

- ◆ Tuesday 11th February SAT's Workshop for Year 6 parents—5:00pm
- ◆ Thursday 26th March Maths Workshop (Fractions) for Rec—Year 6 parents— 5:00pm
- ◆ Phonics Workshop for Rec & Year 1 parents - DATE TBC

Clubs

At the moment the only clubs that will be taking place are Table Tennis, Nigel Carsons Football, Judo & Yoga. We will keep you informed as to when the others will resume.

Request

EYFS are in need of empty yogurt pots for when they are painting. If you can help they would be very grateful.

OUTSTANDING DEBTS

We have a number of dinner money, Nursery Provision and Breakfast Club accounts with outstanding debts. Please log on to Parent Pay and settle the accounts with immediate effect. Please ensure that balances are in credit at all times. Thank you.

Friday Favourite Lunch on 17th

January is:

*Chicken Wraps & Chips with Baked
Beans & Sweetcorn*

&

Iced Bun

Mon 24th Feb

World Thinking Day

Thur 26th March

Maths Workshop for Rec—
Year 6 parents 5:00pm

Tue 31st March

Parent Consultation Meetings
3:30—7:00pm

Thur 2nd April

Parent Consultation Meetings
3:30—5:00pm

Fri 3rd April

School closes for the Easter
break





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NEWS DAY TUESDAY



What's going on?

Bushfires have been causing huge devastation across Australia over the past few months, leading to thousands of people having to leave their homes. A heatwave has seen temperatures go higher than 40°C in every state in the country. In many places, the skies have turned red because of the fires and many people are wearing masks to make sure they can breathe. Raging temperatures, strong winds, and storms have created dangerous conditions in many places. Amidst the devastation, a small zoo has managed to save all its animals through incredible bravery from staff. Mogo Zoo houses primates, along with zebras, rhinos and giraffes. When it was right in the line of a bushfire, the keepers managed to protect all 200 animals from harm. While most were sheltered at the site, monkeys, pandas and even a tiger were kept in temporary lodgers at a keeper's home.

Questions to discuss at home:

- Why have the bushfires caused such devastation this year? Is there anything which we could all do to help?
- How have some people reacted?
- Many people have not been happy with how the fires have been handled. Some experts have said that there should be a review of building standards in places close to the bush to create fire resilient homes. There have also been calls for having more firefighters so that not as many volunteers are required to help. Do you think more should have been done before to reduce the amount of fires?

