



Helmsley Community Primary School

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THIS WEEK'S SUPERSTAR

IS:

KATHERINE HARVEY

For being an excellent role model. Katherine has become an integral part of our school and community.

This Week's House Points

Harriers (red) : 35

Eagles (green) : 27

Hawks (yellow): 28

Falcons (blue): 37



LIBRARY VISIT

Friday 24th January - EYFS

SCHOOL UPDATES

Policy change (safeguarding) at Ryedale school regarding spectators at the primary sports competitions.

We would like to inform you of a policy change at Ryedale School that will affect parent spectators for upcoming primary sports festivals on Friday afternoons.

Once on site, parents will be required to report immediately to reception where they will need to sign in and will be issued with a red lanyard. Parents will then be escorted from reception to the spectating area. At the conclusion of the event, spectators will be taken back to reception to hand in their lanyards and to sign out.

The week before any scheduled festivals that allow spectators, an email to the school to confirm the time that parents can arrive at Ryedale School from, as this may change from

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

Thu 6th Feb

FOHS—Beetle Drive 5:00-6:30pm

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



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event to event depending upon the start times of the festivals. Thank you for your cooperation.

Family Homework

As part of our weekly homework menu we are including a family activity. You will be notified each week what this will be on the newsletter.

This week's family homework is to:

Play a Board Game

All staff will look forward to discussing with the children what you have done at home.

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
- ◆ Monday 9th March Phonics Workshop for Rec & Year 1 parents 5:00pm
- ◆ Thursday 26th March Maths Workshop (Fractions) for Rec—Year 6 parents— 5:00pm

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. If the account is in excess of more than a £30.00 negative balance, the service will be removed until payment is made.

Swimming

If your child is taking part in this term's swimming programme the first session is commencing on Tuesday 21st January. Please ensure all permission slips and payment is returned to school by Monday 20th January.

Mon 24th Feb

School re-opens

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World Thinking Day

Mon 9th March

Phonics Workshop for Rec & Year 1 parents 5:00pm

Thur 26th March

Maths Workshop (Fractions) 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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Flu Vaccinations

If your child missed their flu immunisation, families do still have the opportunity to have the vaccination at one of the drop in clinics in January:

- **Norton children's centre: Monday 27th January 15:00-17:00**
- **Briercliffe children's centre (Scarborough): 28th January 15:00-16:45**
- **Eastfield children's centre (Scarborough): 29th January 15:00-16:45**
- **Pickering medical practice: Thursday 30th 15:00-17:00**
- **Whitby children's centre: 31st January 15:00-17:00**

Message from School Council

Dear Parents

We have decided to work towards achieving our Bronze level Healthy School Award. Please can you help us achieve this award by providing your child with a healthy fruit, vegetable or cereal bar for break time? We talked to the children in assembly to give them ideas for healthy snacks. We also talked about the importance of drinking water at school. Please can all children come to school with a reusable bottle of water to drink throughout the school day.

Many thanks

School Council

Young Voices

The children had a fabulous time at the Young Voices concert at Sheffield Arena on Tuesday. A huge thank you to Mrs Dunn, Miss Martin and Mrs Smith for taking them.





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NEWS DAY TUESDAY

What's going on?



The Duke and Duchess of Sussex, also known as Harry and Meghan, have announced that they are stepping down as 'senior royals' and will work towards being financially independent, this means that they plan on making their own money. They released a statement to let everyone know. They also said that they plan to split their time between the UK and North America. The decision is thought to be a surprise to the rest of the Royal Family, who have reported to have been upset that they weren't told about it before it was announced.

Questions to discuss with your child:

- Prince Harry has been part of the Royal Family in the UK his whole life, do you think this would make the decision to step down from as many royal duties a difficult decision to make?
- The response from the public has been very split between people supporting them to people thinking that they are being very ungrateful. Do we understand why they made the choice they did?
- Are you surprised by Prince Harry and Meghan's choice?
- In October 2019, Prince Harry and Meghan spoke in a documentary about how the media pressure affected them and Meghan admitted that getting used to royal life was hard. Talk about what you think might be some of the difficulties about being part of a family like the Royal Family? Do you think there would be benefits too?
- When Meghan met Prince Harry, she was already a famous actress, do you think that would have made it easier or harder for her to join such a well-known family as the Royal Family in the UK?
- It was thought that the decision was made during the family's (Prince Harry, Meghan and their son, Archie) recent 6-week Christmas break in Canada. Do you think that having time on their own, away from all the media would have influenced this decision?
- It has been reported that some of the other members of the Royal Family, including the Queen, were saddened by their decision and it's also thought that they weren't aware of the sudden announcement. Do you think that Prince Harry and Meghan should have explained their decision to their wider family first? Talk about why you think that.





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Friday Favourite Lunch on 24th

January is:

Chicken Korma & Rice

&

Sticky Toffee Pudding

FOHS EVENTS


BEETLE DRIVE
THURSDAY 6TH FEBRUARY
 @
HELMSLEY SCHOOL-5:00-6:30PM
£2.50 PER TICKET OR £10 PER FAMILY
TO INCLUDE BUFFET / RAFFLE ON THE NIGHT
Tickets available from the school office.

Helmsley Cubs

This term Helmsley Cubs are learning about homelessness. To help the homeless the Cubs are collecting as many 150g foil crisp packets as they can to make waterproof Bivi bags.

There is a collection point in school where crisp packets can be donated from packed lunches or collected at home and brought in.

