



South Cave CE (VC) Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Headteacher Newsletter – January

Happy New Year and welcome back to you all! I hope you all had a lovely Christmas break with your families. The children certainly seemed very keen to catch up with their friends and teachers as they arrived on Tuesday.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your support of the various activities that took place in the lead up to Christmas. It was lovely to see the sports hall just as full as ever for our Carol Service on the final afternoon of term and thank you for the many positive comments I received as you left – I think we all agreed the singing, instrument playing and choir were very impressive! Thank you also for your kind donations, we raised £295.07 and this has been sent to Eckersley House, Leeds (The Sick Children's Trust).

Curriculum

Heartsmart

This is a new resource we have introduced in school and is a creative new approach to build character, emotional health and resilience in children. It gives them the principles and skills that will improve their mental health, relationships and academic achievement. It is important to educate the heart alongside the mind and Heartsmart is helping us to do this, through the 5 main themes, which are introduced through collective worship and then covered in class lessons (please see the attached flier for more information about the 5 themes).

Theme Weeks this Term

We have begun the Spring term with another whole school theme week 'Science Rocks!' All year groups began the week with a practical workshop, led by a visitor to the school, linked to developing investigation skills and teamwork in science, they all seemed to enjoy their sessions. The children have spent the rest of the week carrying out scientific investigations with their teachers.

Our second theme week this term will be in the lead up to Easter and will be 'festivals' where we will be looking at important festivals around the world.

Development of Reading

Mrs Smalley (Reading Leader) has met with Robyn Allen (South Cave Library) and managed to arrange for a regular weekly session for a class to visit the library. We are very grateful for Robyn for re-arranging her schedule to accommodate us and look forward to visiting the library on a Friday afternoon. The first session will begin at the end of this half term, when class 3 will visit the library on Friday 15th February. We will provide you with the list of dates/classes visiting the library after half term, so that you know when it will be your child's class.

We also look forward to welcoming a visiting children's author and taking part in activities for world book day after half term.

School Values

We continue to look for children who 'SHINE' by showing all our values:

truSt; tHankfulness; compassIOn; eNdurance and rEspect.

Below is a table identifying the children who received a certificate during Praise assembly, during the Autumn term, because they were recognised by staff for displaying these values. Well done to those children for being good examples to others.

● Trust ● Compassion ● Respect ● Thankfulness ● Endurance ●



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Autumn 2018

	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3/4		Year 5/6
SHINE	Alec A Theodore P Joseph R Isla B Daisy E Jacob T Oliver K Spencer P Emie E Freddie R Lily C Sebastien P Barnaby C Sam A Holly D Daniel P Lukas C	Lauren F Zachary L Edward H Travis A Henry B Charlotte B Sam A Holly D Daniel P Lukas C Anya D Dolly D Maddison G Harry G Peronel L Lily S	Grace Br Daniel F Phoebe G Oliver S Theo A Keira S-C Finn B Jake M Lila T Harry P	Isabella N William M Charlie H Ella F Daisy W Sophie R Leroy R Amos S Alexander H Wesley S Isabelle D Poppy J Rhys H Harriet D	Louis B Ruby D Charlie E Harry E Myah G Alice P Zachary P Alexander R Grace C Jake S Poppy S Alicia T Nathan W Oliver Y	William B Charlotte G Dziuderas G Erin S Isla T Mia B Seb M Jake S Seb M Heidi S Victoria T Gutierrez. Millie H Genevieve S Amelia S

During praise assembly we also recognise those children who have received a 'WOW' certificate, given to those children placed on the 'WOW' section of the behaviour chart in the classroom, for exemplary work/attitude/behaviour. They are given the 'honour' of sitting on benches at the back of assembly and feel proud to have the opportunity to tell everyone in school what they did to earn their 'WOW'

Class Assemblies

We held 3 parent assemblies last term and I must thank parents who continue to support this brief opportunity to find out what your child has been doing in class over the last few weeks, again I received many positive comments from parents last term.

We have 2 more planned this term, the assembly for parents will start at 9.30am, however parents are welcome to stay for a coffee (in the community room) after dropping children off at the start of the school day, rather than coming back again for 9.30am.

We have the following assemblies arranged for this term:

- Wednesday 13th February – Class 6 (Mr Tatton)
- Wednesday 27th March – Class 5 (Miss Davy)

Church Visits

Our KS1 and KS2 collective worship at the church this term will take place on the following dates, this information is to make you aware when your child will be visiting the church so that they can have appropriate footwear and coat for their walk to church, unfortunately we are not able to invite parents to these sessions as the church is not big enough to accommodate the whole key stage and parents:

- Tuesday 15th January – KS2
- Tuesday 22nd January – KS1
- Tuesday 5th March – KS2
- Tuesday 12th March – KS1



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Communication with parents

Parent Forum

The next meeting of the Parent Forum group will take place next week. We will be focusing on communication between home and school. Looking at the methods currently used and how successful they are as well as discussing other possible suggestions to improve communication further. If you have any comments that you would like passed on in the meeting (regarding communication methods that you think are working well as well as suggestions for improvement) then please feel free to e-mail them to me at school, drop them into the suggestion box in the main office or let a member of the parent forum know your views:

	parent	class
Foundation	Heather Edgar	1 (JA)
	Sara Holdcroft	1
	Jose Arnett	2 (LS)
	Marie Smith	2
Year 1	Marie Cattle	2 (LS)
	Sarah Kemp	3 (LJ)
Year 2	Sara Holdcroft	4 (CSC)
	Ruth Brocklebank	4
Year 3	Marie Smith	5 (WT)
Year 4	Jennie Ellis	5 (WT)
	Emma Thornton	5 (WT)
	Ruth Brocklebank	6 (AD)
Year 5	Marie Smith	7 (SC)
	Carol Anne Holmes	9 (KM)
	Hannah Leahy	9 (KM)
Year 6	Jennie Ellis	7 (SC)
	Emma Thornton	8 (CS)
	Wendy Goode	8 (CS)

Parent Questionnaire

I would like to thank those parents who returned the questionnaire at the end of last term. It has been a year since the previous one. Although responses were quite low, with only approximately 20% of parents responding, this was a slightly higher response than last year and I was pleased to read some very positive comments, from many parents, regarding the current work of the school. A separate letter has been sent with a summary of the findings and comments made by parents. There were 2 areas where up to 10% of parents felt less positively and I have asked for your suggestions regarding these areas.

Sports Coach

We have welcomed Mr Walker, who has taken over the afternoon PE lessons and after school clubs previously done by Mr Faulkner. Mr Walker has worked with Miss Davy (school PE leader) to agree which sports we will be offering this term during the lunchtime and after school clubs. A letter will be sent out by Mrs Rothwell for parents to book the clubs on-line in the usual way. You will notice that there will not be a club on a Tuesday after school, this is because cluster sports matches tend to be on a Tuesday and this will mean Mr Walker can support Miss Davy in the organisation and supervision of these events and, if the events calendar allows, he can run some practice sessions on a Tuesday for the sports coming up.

Sports Leaders

Miss Davy has now completed the application process, with Year 5 and 6 pupils, for the role of Young Sports Leaders and has appointed 22 children to the role. The children will work in teams of 2 or 3 with each team having one lunchtime duty each week, supporting children to use the playtime equipment appropriately. Miss Davy also plans to give the Sports Leaders training so that they can develop their own games for children to play and earn awards for supporting physical activity at lunchtime. In



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the next few weeks we will be having 2 of our playgrounds resurfaced and playground markings added to all our playgrounds and these will also be used by the sports leaders at lunchtime.

Year Group News

Please look out for the separate newsletter from your child's teachers, giving you information about the term ahead within their year group/Key stage.

Thank you for your continued support and I look forward to working with you to continue to move our school forward in 2019!

J. Newby

Comments box

Name.....Child's name..... Class.....



OVER THE
COMING WEEKS
YOU MAY BE HEARING
A LOT ABOUT
HEARTSMART...
BUT WHAT IS IT?

HeartSmart is a creative new approach that many primary schools use to build character, emotional health and resilience in children. It equips them with foundational principles and skills that will improve their mental health, relationships and academic achievement.

As a school we recognise the value of educating the heart alongside educating the mind and HeartSmart is a great tool to do just that.

There are some fun phrases that are part of the program and I'm sure you'll start hearing them in your home as well. They're called the HeartSmart High Five and here's a brief overview:

The HeartSmart High Five



Don't Forget to Let Love in!

Learning how important, valued and loved we are.



Too Much Selfie isn't Healthy!

Exploring the importance of others and how to love them well.




Don't Rub it In, Rub it Out!

Understanding how to process negative emotion and choose forgiveness to restore relationships.



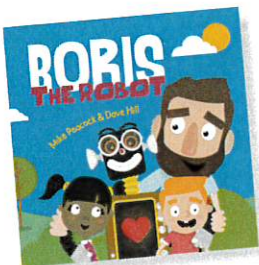
Fake is a Mistake!

Unpacking how to bravely communicate truth and be proud of who we are.



'No Way Through,' isn't True!

Knowing there is a way through every situation, no matter how impossible it may seem.



You may also hear about **BORIS** the Robot. He's made from bits and bobs of recycled rubbish and plays an important role in HeartSmart. We follow his story of learning not to listen to the Scrapman's voice (who says that he belongs on the scrapheap). There's a book that we read and reference (depending on year group) and if you wanted you could get a copy for your home.

To find out more, please visit: www.BORIStheRobot.com

From time to time we may invite you to do a few creative activities with your children. Science shows that the best way to get information from your head to your heart is to use your hands! So we have created some fun and handy HeartSmart challenges for you to complete at home with your children. We call this HeartSmart Creative and you'll receive a link to several films that explain the principle and how to do the activities... you never know you might even learn something!



We hope your child enjoys their HeartSmart journey and invite you to come on it with us too.

If you want to learn more about the HeartSmart approach you can follow us on #HeartSmartSchool