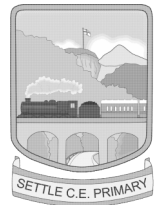


Welcome to our first half-termly newsletter of the school year! In here we will have a round up of some of the highlights and projects from the current term, and let you know about key events and dates coming up in the near future. We hope you like it!

Kind Regards,

Miss Thompson

(Deputy Headteacher)



SETTLE NEWS

Orienteering with Olly

We were very lucky to have Olly Roberts in school over the last few weeks to set up our new permanent orienteering course around school with a range of different trails and challenges that can be done at different ages and stages! He also worked with children in Class 1 up to Class 6 to do mini challenges and share all our new trails with the staff. The children loved the day and were developing their geographical and mathematical skills, as well as running around, keeping fit and working together to challenge themselves. We hope to have Olly back in the future to run competitive events for Key Stage 2 children. Many thanks to the PTA for fully funding this event. See if you can spot any of the hidden markers when you are next in the school grounds!



Playground Equipment here at last!



After a number of challenges, we have finally had our long awaited play equipment installed! The children have loved challenging themselves on our sustainable Robinia Wood Pen-y-ghent trail with monkey trapeze bars for challenge and strength, log roller for developing reaction time and balance, the inclined beams for coordination, the weaving poles to develop their core strength and flexibility and the stepping poles for more balance practice. The Ingleborough slide has been a big hit with our core aim achieved—ultimate slide-ability! We hope you like it just as much as the children.

*See also attached to the email version news reports from selected Y4/5 pupils, our budding reporters!

My Maths launched across school!

We hope you are all enjoying the new homework accounts that children have to support their learning in maths. Don't forget, they can have a go at the mini lesson that goes with their homework task, as well as completing the task itself. The children have now got a timetabled slot to work on this at After School Club on a Wednesday. Miss Wright is also running a specific homework Club for Year 2 and Miss Thompson/Miss Segger run one for Year 6. We would like to open this up to year 5 pupils too from after half term—please see below for times/dates. Please help your child to get used to the website, especially if they are in Year 1. Thank you to those parents who attended the after school parent sessions. If you couldn't make it but still have any questions, please do pop in to see class teachers or Miss Thompson. Although Sumdog (Y1-6) and TT Rockstars (Y3-6) are used in school to help develop and retain fluency and mental recall of facts, children have logins to use these free apps at home too if they would like to play the games on these at home as well as in school. Many thanks for your support with this.



Author Visit to Class 4/5



Local author, Jan Michael, visited class 4/5 to talk about her book 'Moorside Boy'—their current class story. Jan worked with the school last year to support their work on refugees and we are so lucky to have her visiting each week to listen to readers in class 4/5. Thank you so much Jan for all your help, wisdom and inspiration!

Science Day to further our STEM work



On Monday 18th November, we will be hosting a Science Day with our partner school, Kirkby in Malhamdale. Children will be joining together in stages (EYFS, KS1 and KS2) to move round the different teachers and test out different hands-on science activities. Staff and children will be allowed to come in dressed as scientists for the day—the wackier the better! However, not compulsory. We will hopefully have some photos to share in next term's letter and on our soon to be upgraded Rolls Royce STEM display board in school. Thanks go to Mrs Ambrose, our new Science lead, for taking a lead role in organising this day.



Date	Event
Monday 4th November	Back at school
Tuesday 12th November	Parent evening 1
Thursday 14th November	Parent evening 2
Monday 18th November	Science Day: children welcome to come dressed as a scientist for the day.
Friday 29th November 6-8pm	PTA Christmas Fair, including Year 6 Grow £1 market stalls.
Friday 20th December	Christmas Service in church 2pm TBC Break up for Christmas Holidays.

Please note: other sporting and class events/nativities, etc will be added into separate/class newsletters or updated via text/email/Facebook page.

Day	Event
Monday	Digital Leaders with Miss Entwistle
Tuesday	Year 5/6 Code Club with Mrs Wright (programming using crumbles and microbits)
Wednesday	Year 2 homework club with Miss Wright
Thursday	Year 6 Homework Club (Y5 are welcome to join in with any sessions too from after half term-meet in Year 6). Girls football with Sam Y1-6
Friday	Football with Sam for Year Y1-6 Judo with Danny.