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Friday 18th October 2019

Week commencing 21st October 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cheese and tomato pizza *** Fresh fruit	Pasta bolognese *** Chocolate orange sponge and chocolate sauce	Minced beef and Yorkshire pudding *** Yoghurt or fresh fruit	Chicken Korma and rice *** Raspberry bun	Salmon Nibbles with tomato sauce *** Oaty apple crumble and custard

It has been a really busy last 7 days in school with Dahl and Donaldson Class going on class trips, an author visit and parents evening.



Super Star of the week:

Due to Dahl class trip on Friday we held our bi-weekly Super Star assembly on Monday. Congratulations to the following children.

Donaldson: George

Dahl: Gracey

Rowling: Tallulah

In the classrooms:

Donaldson Class have been working extremely hard in Maths this week and it was a pleasure to witness first-hand their learning on Wednesday. The children were exploring the number 6 using the part part whole method. The language and enthusiasm of all the children was great to see and the small group sessions really focused on developing every child's skills further. The children also really enjoyed their trip to Wandles farm on Tuesday morning – a huge thank you to Karen Hellowell and her family for allowing us to visit. They provided the children with some fun and interactive activities and we hope it is something we can regularly do as a school.



Dahl Class brought their Egyptian learning to life on Friday with a visit to the Oriental Museum in Durham. I had the pleasure of accompanying the children on the visit and I was delighted with the knowledge the children already had about the Egyptians and shared with our guides for the day. The children saw a real-life mummy, created a small play and explored Egyptian artefacts. A great day was by all. A huge thank you to Miss Thompson and Mrs Ashworth for organising.



Rowling Class have been exploring the Great Barrier Reef and produced an excellent debate on why we should protect the reef from pollution especially plastics. The children have also begun to plan and draft their adventure story based on the short film Francis. It has been great to see the language the children have been using and I can't wait to read the end results.

New Website:

The school website is currently being upgraded, newsletters will still go on and key information, although other information is a little old and will be updated when the new site is available. Hopefully in 6 weeks.

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Parent Questionnaires and Parents Evening

Thank you to everyone who was able to make parents evening over the last two Wednesday's. I would also like to say thank you to everyone who was able to complete a questionnaire. The comments were very positive with 100% saying you would recommend Sinnington Primary School. This is testament to the hard work and dedication of all staff to ensure every child has a well-rounded education, with fantastic experiences and a safe and nurturing environment. As a team, we are working on all areas of school life to get it right for every child.

The new approach to homework, on the whole, had a very positive response with many of you stating that it was early days to make a final judgement. As with anything new, it will take time for the new approach to be fully embedded and we, as a staff, will be making tweaks with homework from the comments that you have provided. The next set of homework will go home with your child next week, please read the Homework menu for the tasks to completed and dates for tasks to be brought back to school.

Author Visit

The author of Madge the Mermaid, Stephen Pass, came to visit the children today and held workshops with each of our classes. The children had a great time and learnt how an author creates a book, the planning involved and the time it takes. He shared with the children a chapter of his book and had some excellent in-depth discussions about writing. Stephen also shared his collection of shells so the children could hear the sounds of the ocean as described in his book. A huge thank you to Stephen for spending a day with us and supporting the development our 'Love of Reading' culture.



Halloween Disco – Thursday 24th October 6-7pm

FOSS have organised a Halloween disco on Thursday 24th October 6-7pm, £2 per child this will include a drink and packet of crisps. Fancy dress optional, siblings welcome.



Parent Governor Election results:

As you know, we recently asked for nominations for two parent governors to join The Ryedale Federation Governing Board. We are delighted to welcome Ms Jodie Coates and Mr Joe Cook as our newly appointed parent governors. We look forward to working with them.

Parking:

Just a polite note with regards parking during drop off and pick up times. I have had a complaint from a local resident with regards parking. I know that the space on Friars Hill Road is limited when dropping off and collecting your children, but could you please ensure that you do not block anyone's driveway. Many thanks for your support.

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Dates for Diary:

Tuesday 22 nd October	Year 2/3/4 Parents Afternoon	2pm -
Thursday 24 th October	FOSS Halloween Disco	6-7pm
Friday 25 th October	Break up for half term	
Monday 4 th November	Back to School	
5 th to 8 th November	Year 6 at East Barnby	
Friday 22 nd November	Year 5/6 Parents Afternoon	2.30pm -
Wednesday 4 th December	Christmas Fair	5.30pm – 7pm
Tuesday 10 th December	Christmas Lunch	
Wednesday 11 th December	Christmas Performance (Afternoon and evening)	TBC
Friday 13 th December	Christmas Jumper day in aid of Save the Children	
Wednesday 18 th December	Pantomime at Scarborough Spa	
Friday 20 th December	Break up for Christmas holidays	

Have a good weekend and see you all on Monday.

Mr Roden