



# The Hawksworth Herald

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Welcome back! Spring Term 2 has started really well. The staff had a very productive start to the term with a Monday Training Day where the teachers began a complete overhaul of our school curriculum in light of recent educational initiatives from Ofsted and the DfE (this will continue to be a focus in the coming months). We last visited our curriculum during lockdown, but we are now wanting something even more unique for our school which will greater reflect the needs of the children and our local community. It will also include a greater emphasis on utilising our unique setting and involve a continued emphasis on outdoor learning, including Forest Schools. The support staff worked on refreshing displays and organising present and new educational resources.

## Staffing Update



Mrs Malir has announced that she will be retiring (early!) from her teaching position at Hawksworth. She will continue to work four days a week, up until the end of the Summer term. Mrs Malir is a well-respected, long-standing member of staff, having worked at school for the past 25 years, most recently as Head of EYFS and a member of the Senior Leadership Team. It has been a pleasure to work with such a dedicated member of staff. We will all miss her creative flair and her ability and encouragement to take learning outdoors.

On behalf of everyone at Hawksworth, I wish her a long, healthy and happy retirement. She has already informed us that she plans to book a holiday for the first week in September!

The advertisement for the Class 1 teaching post will hopefully go live today. We will also be advertising for a Class 3/4 teacher as Mrs Metcalfe will be returning to Class 1 from September.

## Class News

### Class 1

This week Class 1 have enjoyed learning and writing facts about penguins, finishing our work off on the continent of Antarctica.

Everybody looked fantastic dressed as a word for World Book Day and we enjoyed writing a story together about a friendly dragon who paid an after-hours visit to the school.

We are really impressed with how everybody has practised their tricky word and sound keyrings. Thank you to all you parents for being so involved in this activity.

Next week will be super exciting as we have our trip to Nell Bank and work on the book 'Owl Babies'.

**Mrs Malir, Mrs Williamson and Miss Ainsworth**

### Class 2

This week in Class 2, the children have settled back in well and have enjoyed telling me all about their exciting half-term holidays.

In Literacy, we have started looking at our new class book *The Day the Crayons Quit*. The children made predictions about what the story could be about and why the crayons have quit. We had some fantastic ideas including: they are cross because Duncan uses them and ruins their hairstyles!

In maths, year two have finished their topic on statistics and have been drawing block graphs using scales of 2, 5 and 10. Year one have been finishing their topic on place value and have been ordering two-digit numbers.

World Book Day was a great success and as a class, we wrote newspaper reports about the dragon at school. The children were very engaged in this activity and thoroughly enjoyed the video of the dragon in class 4. In the afternoon, the children went to different classes in their houses and were exposed to a range of genres in the Book Café.

Another busy week in Class 2 and I can't wait to see you next week.

**Miss Ward, Miss Armitage and Miss Ainsworth**

### **Class 3**

Class 3 have had a great start back this week. We have begun reading our new book in literacy and have started our learning about Pompeii. We have had some great discussions about it and done some wonderful writing. We have been looking at equivalent lengths in maths and comparing m and cm.

We enjoyed working with clay in our art lesson this week. It was really tricky to shape and carve our design. Watch this space... we will be painting our creations next week! In RE, we have begun our new topic of Salvation and why Good Friday is called Good Friday.

We had a wonderful day celebrating World Book Day. We wrote newspaper reports about the dragon which the teachers saw in our school! We also enjoyed working in our team houses to read lots of books in a book cafe. Everyone did really well arriving in school as a word and we learnt lots of new vocabulary, and thoroughly enjoyed the vocabulary parade!

PLEASE CAN CLASS 3 HAVE DONATIONS OF KITCHEN ROLL TUBES AND CEREAL BOXES FOR OUR DT/ART LESSON IN 2 WEEKS' TIME. **Mrs Metcalfe, Mrs Dowling and Mr Cleghorn**

### **Class 4**

Class 4 have settled back in after the half-term holiday. We have started our new text for this half term 'Kensuke's Kingdom', debating the pros and cons of being taken out of school to sail around the world for a year. In maths, we have been focusing on measuring perimeter in Year 5 and perimeter and area in Year 6. We had to design the layout of a new town, using given measures. In RE, we have begun to learn about 'Salvation', thinking about the key question, 'What difference does the resurrection make to Christians?' This first lesson has already created an in-depth discussion about the crucifixion and resurrection of Christ.

On Thursday, we took part in World Book Day. We worked in our own classes in the morning, using the laptops to write stories about a dragon appearing in Class 4 and the school grounds, then in the afternoon, we took part in a 'Book Tasting' session in our houses. It was such a great day! **Mrs Oliver and Mrs Gallagher**



<b>Class 1</b>	Sienna for settling so well into Class 1 and working so hard in her first week.
<b>Class 2</b>	Etta for always trying hard in every lesson and the fantastic improvement of her writing.
<b>Class 3</b>	Esther C for being consistently hard working in all subjects and for her lovely homework
<b>Class 4</b>	Alexander M for having the self-motivation to constantly improve, even in subjects where he already excels.

<b>Class 1</b>	George C for practising his tricky words and sounds over the holidays				
<b>Class 2</b>	Filip for the fantastic improvement in his reading fluency.				
		<b>Class 3</b>	Kingsley M	<b>Class 3</b>	Maryam S
		<b>Class 4</b>	William M	<b>Class 4</b>	Charlotte M

## Handwriting Stars

<b>Class 1</b>	Josephine for always producing beautiful, neat work.
<b>Class 2</b>	Harriet for working so hard in handwriting practice and always trying so hard with her presentation.



## House points

**Attendance** (Leeds Target 97%)

House	Points	Class	%
Eagles	67	Class 1	100%
Falcons	95	Class 2	98.21%
Vultures	85	Class 3	99.20%
Condors	77	Class 4	96.51%

## Elba Trust

We had a very busy half term at school, some of you may have seen the changes that have taken place outside. The banking next to the under-cover area has been fully transformed, new sleeper steps, a cubby hole, new planters and two slides now grace this area. The team at Lloyd & Fawcett Landscapes have done a fabulous job, bracing all weathers to get it finished in time for the children's return to school.

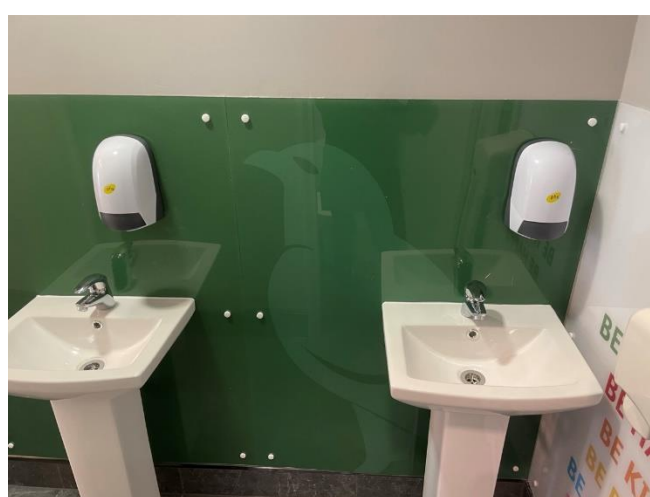




Hawksworth also gained a Rainforest during half term, in the form of a new Reading, Writing and Maths shed for Class 1.



We have also given the Class 4 toilets a full makeover. A huge thank you to Latino Tiles in Guiseley for supplying the tiles, they look fabulous!



I would personally like to thank **Mr Carter**, Adam and Billy's Dad, for fitting the new hand dryer, toilet fans and the new outside lights. **Mr Blake**, Mikey's Dad and his uncle for refitting the doors and the numerous other jobs you were roped into when the ladies saw you had power tools! **Ms Harpin**, Zac's Mum, for helping to create the Rainforest and **Ms Fyfe**, for helping to source all the supplies!



I would also like to thank **Mrs Chalmers-Brown** and **Miss Hewitt** for covering some early mornings to open the school when I wasn't available.

A special thanks to **Mrs M. Smith** (Jasper's Mum and school governor) who has been the driving force behind these recent school improvements and has worked tirelessly to improve the fabric of the school. The work was carried out over the holiday week and both weekends, usually from 8 am until late into the evening, and when I arrived at school to either open up or lock up, Mrs M. Smith was on site...thank you for your endeavours, your work is really appreciated by all at Hawksworth!

#### **Class 4 Kitchen**

We would also like to give special thanks to Magnet Kitchens in Guiseley for supplying Class 4 with a new Kitchen. Magnet can be contacted on [GUISELEY.BRANCH@magnet.co.uk](mailto:GUISELEY.BRANCH@magnet.co.uk)  
[https://www.magnettrade.co.uk/contact-us/store-locator/north-east/guiseley/?utm\\_source=google&utm\\_medium=local](https://www.magnettrade.co.uk/contact-us/store-locator/north-east/guiseley/?utm_source=google&utm_medium=local) Please see photos below.



#### **World Book Day**

Yesterday, the children enjoyed celebrating World Book Day 2022. Not only did they dress up to reflect a chosen word but were involved in a range of reading and writing activities. Thank you to the staff for making this day such a memorable one for the children!



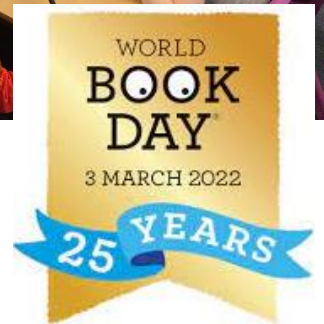
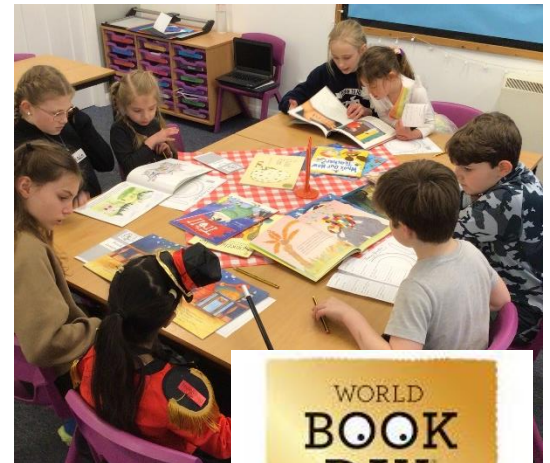




More photographs have been uploaded to our school facebook page!



The staff celebrate World Book Day - I may have to work on my outfit for next year!



### Kestrels

Kestrels Before and After School Club will be based in the school hall for this half term and Mr Norris will cover the afternoon sessions from 3.15 pm to 5.45 pm with me due to a staff absence. When Mr Norris is unavailable, Mrs Chalmers-Brown (School Business Manager) or Mrs Oliver (Assistant Headteacher) will deputise. **Miss J. Hewitt, Kestrels**

### Outtareach

Yesterday, Outtareach installed new lettering in the school entrance and will install a mural in the coming weeks (hopefully during the Easter Holidays). The mural will run the length of the wall in the top corridor and will show Hawksworth village wood through the four seasons...and the wood will be populated with characters from well-known books...I will update parents with photographs when it has been completed. The signage and mural will be funded by Leeds Diocese and not from the school's central budget.



### When it rains, it pours!

As you will be aware flat roofs are not as good as pitched roofs when it comes to dispersing rainwater! The school's flat roof, which is about 35 years old, has not fared well compared to our pitched roof which was completed in 1874! During the recent inclement weather, we had a number of leaks across the school which has resulted in rain damage in some areas of the school. During the holidays Mrs Chalmers-Brown (School Business Manager) and I had a meeting with a roofing consultant from Leeds Diocese. Since this meeting was held, we have had further meetings with representatives from the diocese and they have decided the whole roof will need to be replaced and insulation installed (they discovered the roof never had any insulation in place). This work will be split into two phases and will cost approximately £200,000. The school will need to contribute 10% of the costs and phase 1 will commence during the summer holidays and phase 2 completed in 2023. The school is well versed in extensive building work in light of the fact that we had £180,000 spent on a new boiler and heating system which was completed last summer.

### Safeguarding

At Hawksworth CE Primary School, the welfare of our children is of paramount importance to all members of our community, and safeguarding is a key responsibility for everyone.

Our safeguarding team is currently:

Mr D. Norris (Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead)

Mrs Stefanie Oliver (Assistant Headteacher and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)

Mrs Sonya Gallagher (HLTA, Learning Mentor and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)

Mrs J. Archdale (Safeguarding Governor)

### Diary Dates

Spring 2 2022 (5 weeks)		
Date	Time	Event
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	All day	Expressive Arts Day
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2022	3.30pm - 4.45pm	Parents' Evening
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	3.30pm - 7.00pm	Parents' Evening
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2022	9.15am	Easter Service (at school)
Summer 1 2022 (6 weeks)		
Date	Time	Event
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	2.15pm - 3.15pm	Class 1 Reading Workshop
WB Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> May (finish 12 <sup>th</sup> May 2022)		Key Stage 2 SATs
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> May 2022		Outdoor Education Day
Summer 2 2022 (7 weeks)		
Date	Time	Event
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	1.15pm - 3.00pm	Sports Day
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	2.15pm - 3.15pm	Class 1 Stay and Play
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	1.15pm - 3.00pm	Sports Day Reserve
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2022		Reports to parents
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2022		Leavers' Awards
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2022		Leavers' Production
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	All day	Training Day 4
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	All day	Training Day 5



# **Friends of Hawksworth School Fewston Teas Fundraiser**

**Saturday 23rd & Sunday 24th April  
11am - 4.30pm**

We have booked Fewston Parochial Hall for a weekend of fundraising for our school, making lunches and teas, but we really need your help.

## **Non-uniform Day Thursday 31st March**

to raise funds for the hire fee - suggested donation £1

## **Volunteer**

We need helpers on both days in April to make food, serve, run the tombola stall and clear up.

**All are welcome to join  
in wearing non-uniform  
without the obligation  
to donate**

### **Spread the Word**

Tell your friends and family  
to find us at:  
Fewston Parochial Hall  
Cobby Syke Road  
Fewston  
HG3 1SU

### **More Info**

Please speak to: by  
Laura Fyfe or Julia Cooper  
if you are able to help on the  
day or make soup, cakes,  
biscuits, scones,  
quiche, sausage  
rolls etc

Kind regards

Mr Dale Norris BA (Hons) QTS  
Headteacher

