

Embsay Echo

Summer Term 2024

Friday 17th May

LIFE IN ALL ITS FULLNESS

Dear Parents and Carers

This half term seems to be running away with us and it will soon be half term. Our wonderful Year Six children have completed their SATS tests this week. You have put so much work into getting yourselves ready for these tests throughout your time in Key Stage Two. We see, on a daily basis, how hard you try and how much effort you put into all areas of school life. As we told you last week, you are more than a score! More from Miss Sanderson on this on the pages below.

It has been Mental Health Awareness Week with the theme of 'Movement: Moving More for our Mental Health'. Within our PSHE lessons this week, classes have been thinking about how to look after their mental health. Our bodies and our minds are connected, so looking after ourselves physically also helps us improve our mental wellbeing. I know for many people (myself included), exercise is an important stress reliever. It also helps us connect with other people, another important way of improving our mental wellbeing. Research has shown, that equipping children with the strategies for boosting their mental wellbeing, will give them the resilience to cope with the ups and downs of life. In the busyness of life, please do take a moment to 'connect' with each other!

Next week , you will receive the end of half term round up containing all of the exciting learning that has been happening in and out of school.

Have a wonderful weekend ahead

Mr Tim Whitehead

Interim Executive Headteacher

Parent Governor Vacancy — We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor and nominations are now open. If you feel you could make a difference, have the necessary skills and attributes to work along other like minded individuals in the best interests of the school then please do consider applying. Further details have been emailed to all parents and is on the website.

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A Message from Miss Sanderson and the Year Six staff team.

A MESSAGE FOR YEAR 6... Not so long ago, you came into this classroom for the first time, visiting as eager Year 5s. "Does anyone have any guestions for me?" I asked, as our visit came to a close... "Will we have to do Year 6 SATs?" Many of you asked, faces peering at me with a mix of excitement and trepidation. "Yes..." I replied. "Unfortunately, we do. But you know what? You'll be amazing and it's not something you need to worry about now - or even then!" Since that day, I've told you many times how incredibly talented you all are in so many different ways. The SATs are a measure, not of you, or for you... But a measure of my performance in teaching you.

I hope I've done a good job, but to be honest, more importantly, I hope you know just how valued, unique and wonderful you all are. If I've made sure you all know that, then that's all that matters... a

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You have been simply brilliant this week. Absolutely fantastic and I couldn't be more proud of each and every one of you.

And remember...

"The moment you doubt whether you can fly, you cease forever to be able to do it." (Peter Pan by J.M. Barrie)

So whatever you do, don't forget, you <u>can</u>fly. Keep being amazing... Keep being <u>You</u>.

Listen to the mustn'ts, child. Listen to the don'ts. Listen to the shouldn'ts, the impossibles, the won'ts. Listen to the never haves, then listen close to me. . . Anything can happen, child. Anything can be.

- Shel Silverstein





Year 3 Fair Trade Chocolate Day and Open Classroom

Linked to our learning on the Maya and Chocolate, we have organised a Fair-Trade Chocolate Day, in school on **Tuesday 21st May**. The children will have a day packed full of crafts, games, cooking and of course, a bit of chocolate!

We will be playing some outside games and as it's their usual PE day, please can they wear appropriate PE clothing. To fit with our theme, if the children wish, their PE clothing can be in the Fair-Trade colours of blue and green.

Parents and carers are warmly invited to join us at 2.40pm on the day for our open classroom.



Year 4 Multiplication Check

Year 4 children will be participating in the multiplication tables check (MTC) in June. The purpose of the check is to determine whether your child can fluently recall their times tables up to 12, which is essential for future success in mathematics. It will also help your child's school to identify if your child may need additional support.

What is the multiplication tables check?

It is an on-screen check consisting of 25 times table questions. Your child will be able to answer 3 practice questions before taking the actual check. They will then have 6 seconds to answer each question. On average, the check should take no longer than 5 minutes to complete.

What if my child cannot access the check?

There are several access arrangements available for the check, which can be used to support pupils with specific needs. Your child's teacher will ensure that the access arrangements are appropriate for your child

accessible to as many children as possible, including those with special educational needs or disability (SEND).



However, there may be some circumstances in which it will not be appropriate for a pupil to take the check, even when using suitable access arrangements. If you have any concerns about your child accessing the check, you should discuss this with Mrs Speak.

Year One—Phonic Screening Check

W/C 10th June 2024

The phonics screening check is a test that Year One pupils in England are required to take.

The test is a statutory assessment that confirms whether or not pupils have met the expected standard in phonic decoding - and can reveal which pupils may need additional support.

The check contains 40 words divided into two sections of 20 words. Both sections contain a mixture of real words and pseudo-words ('alien words' - which are phonically decodable but are not actual words).



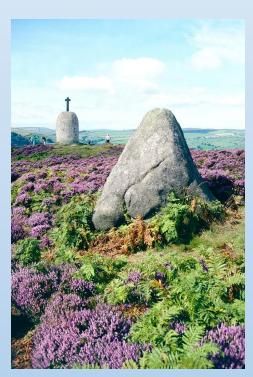
Teachers administer the check one-on-one with each pupil and record whether their response to each of the 40 words is correct. Each pupil is awarded a mark between 0 and 40.

Please speak to Mrs Hayes or Miss Hodgson if you have any questions.



Kildwick Fell Race—Thursday 23rd May— *Please note change of date*

Mr Whitehead is the organiser for the Kildwick Fell race and this year it will take place on **Thursday 23rd May**. There will be a full set of races open to all children (not just children from our school) aged 6 and over starting from **6.30pm**. I will be sending all parents details and registration forms in book bags and via email over the coming weeks. These need to be filled in and brought to registration at the White Lion on the night. **Registration will open at 5.30pm**. **The adult race will start at 7.30pm**, is 3.5 miles and will be fully flagged and marshalled. It would be brilliant if we could get some of our running parents racing. It is a great route and I would be happy to show any prospective parents the race route. Please get in touch if you would like to know further details. The PTA (Kildwick) will be serving refreshments and any help with this would be appreciated. If you would like to support with marshalling the fell races, then please do get in touch with the school office. Thanks.



Fell Race 'Recce' - Wednesday 22nd May 6.45pm

For anyone that is interested in taking part in the adult fell race then I will be running / walking the route on Wednesday 22nd May, setting off from The White Lion in Kildwick at 6.45pm. You are more than welcome to join me and any others who will be attending.



Walk to School Week

20-24th May

The nationwide event is organised by walking charity Living Streets and designed to help pupils experience first-hand the importance of walking to school. Children will be well on their way to reaching their recommended minimum 60 minutes of physical activity per day before even reaching the school gates! Not only will it set them up for a positive day in the classroom, but it will also help create healthy habits for life.

This year's challenge, 'The Magic of Walking', encourages children to travel actively to school every day of the week. Meeting various magical beings along the way, they'll learn about the important reasons to walk and the difference it can make for individuals, communities and the planet! Each pupil will be challenged to travel sustainably (walk, wheel, scoot, cycle or park and stride) to school every day for one week using the wallchart and stickers to log their journeys. Each class will work collectively to make as many active journeys to school as possible across the week. Individual activity diaries, daily stickers and end of week pupil rewards will complement this activity, reinforcing the benefits and keeping children engaged.

It would be great if you could arrange for your child/children to travel actively to school on week commencing 20th May, helping our school reduce congestion and pollution around the school gates. In return, your child will earn special stickers and a reward trophy! Walking, wheeling, scooting and cycling all count! If you live far away from school and need to drive or take public transport, try parking the car ten minutes away and walking the rest of the journey.



Year 2 Visitor

Year 2 had a very special visitor this week . Vicky the Hedgehog Lady came to talk to us about the importance of looking after hedgehogs and making your garden hedgehog friendly. We made our own hedgehog highway.

Things you can do to help our prickly friends

Keep a shallow bowl of water in your garden for hedgehogs to drink from

Keep a patch of your garden left with long grass, leaves and logs— a perfect place for hedgehogs to thrive

If you have a fence, cut a 13x13cm hole to allow garden access and to link together as many hog friendly gardens as possible . This creates a hedgehog highway.











Sports Day—Dates for your Diary Embsay School Sports Day will take place on Thursday 4th July on the school field. Key Stage — 9.15am / Key Stage 1 — 1.15pm The reserve date will be Thursday 11th July at the same times.

Reception Dressing Up Day!

We are planning to have a dress up day for Reception on **Tuesday 21st May**. As part of our learning about growing, we are asking children to come dressed as what they want to be when they grow up. Please don't feel you need to go out and buy a costume for this, we are just focusing on giving the children the opportunity to talk about different things they could be when they are older and think about the different jobs of people around them. Any creative/make do dressing up will be perfect!



Any questions, please just let me know!

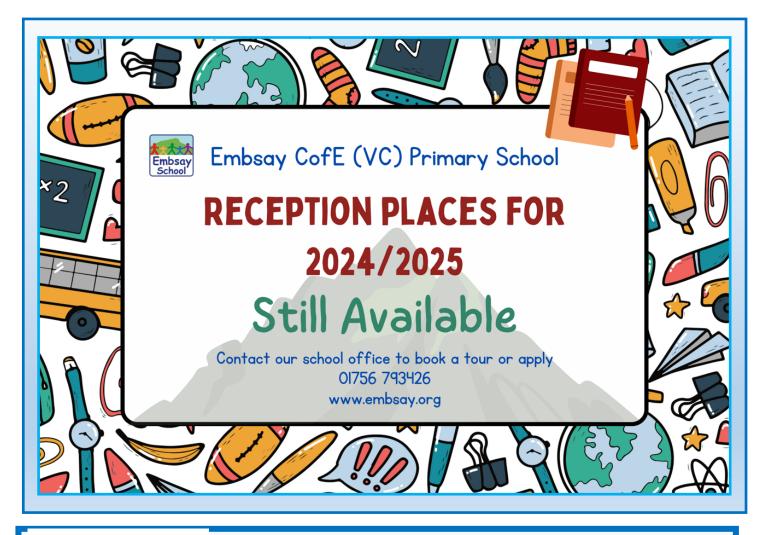
Miss Falkner

Governor Meetings

For information, Embsay CE VC Primary School governor meetings will take place on the following dates:

18th July 2024—Full Governing Board Meeting







If you have any questions about SEND at Embsay CE VC Primary School then please speak to Miss Sanderson senco@embsay.n-yorks.sch.uk

We are seeing an increase in children in school who need some additional support with speech and communication. There are currently 1.9 million children struggling with talking and understanding words in the UK. This equates to one in five children and is the highest number ever recorded. When you're worried about your child's progress in speech and communication, you usually only have their peers or your older children to go by. This can be helpful, but everyone develops at a different pace, so how do you know what is average? A new tool from charity, Speech and Language UK can help. They have developed a free "progress checker" that you can use to either set your mind at rest, or help you understand if there may be an issue that needs following up. Have a look <u>here</u>.

This resource is found on the Special Needs Jungle website—a fantastic resource for all things SEND. Have a look <u>here</u>.

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Taskmaster Challenge KS2

Taskmaster challenge will be led by Mr Dee and it's final session will be on Monday 20th May. A new Taskmaster Challenge After School Club will be available after half term for Key Stage 1. A letter of interest will be going out about this next week.

KS2 Fitness **Class**

Heather Lewis a PT instructor who leads clubs in the local area will be leading the final fitness club on the 22nd May.

KS2 Taekwondo

Charlotte Jewsbury is a 4th Dan black belt and Master in Taekwondo. She is an experienced martial arts instructor and will continue leading a club for KS2

pupils at Embsay.

Art & Craft Club—KS1

Art and Craft Club will be on the following dates:

Monday 20th May

An email has been sent to parents about this club Art Club

Kanga—KS1

The last session for KS1 Kanga will be on Thursday 23rd May

Next half term Kanga will be running a Multi Sports after school club on a Thursday 3:20pm – 4:20pm for Key Stage 2 - Years 3, 4, 5 and 6.

The club will run for 6 weeks, every Thursday from 6th June—11th July inclusive and the cost for the 6 sessions will be **£12 per child**. A letter will be going out about this to KS2 parents.

> After School Clubs

Summer Term 2024 There will be other dates that will be added to the diary as the term

May

w.c. Monday 20th May Tuesday 21st May Tuesday 21st May

Wednesday 22nd May Friday 24th May

June

Tuesday 4th June

Friday 7th June Monday 10th June Wednesday 12th June Friday 21st June Friday 21st June Tuesday 25th June Wednesday 26th June

Thursday 27th June

Friday 28th June

July

Wednesday 3rd July Thursday 4th July Thursday 11th July Friday 12th July Tuesday 16th July Friday 19th July Year 2 SATs week Year 3 Fair Trade Chocolate Day & Open Classroom at 4pm Brownlee Foundation Triathlon – Year 4 (no swimming) Reception Dressing Up Day Kildwick Fell Race Class Photos Break up for half term

Year 4 - National Park Ranger visit Year 4 Swimming—Last session Reception - Ready, Steady, Pedal Non uniform - bring a bottle / chocolate for the summer fair Year 5 - Churches Count on Nature Year 3 & Year 4 - Churches Count on Nature Year 1 - Sandylands - am Year 2 - Sandylands - pm Skipton Academy – Transition Day Harlow Carr - Reception Skipton Academy – Transition Day Skipton Girls' Year 6 transition day Upper Wharfedale Year 6 transition day Skipton Academy – Transition Day Skipton Academy – Transition Day

Year 3 - Bolton Abbey Sports Day - KS2 - 9.15am / KS1 -1.15pm Reserve Sports Day -KS2 -9.15am & KS1 -1.15pm End of year reports to parents Reception Teddy Bear's Picnic Last day of term



Stars of the Week...

Reception	Respect Award — Jasmine
	Achievement Award — Kit / Dominic
Year 1	Respect Award — Nell
	Achievement Award — Christopher / Evie / Elliot
Year 2	Respect Award - Hattie
	Achievement Award — Lily / Brody
Year 3	Respect Award — Emily
	Achievement Award — James and William T
Year 4	Respect Award —Isla
	Achievement Award — Amelia / Joey
Year 5	Respect Award — Isaac
	Achievement Award — Rose / Charlie
Year 6	Please see Miss Sanderson's section on pages 2 and 3

Extra Curricular Clubs this week

Monday	Taskmaster challenge KS2
Tuesday	Taekwondo—3.20– 4.20pm
Wednesday	Fitness club—KS2
Thursday	Kanga KS1 —3.20-4.20pm



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Our end of half term newsletter will be

Friday 24th May 2024



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09 May 2024

Dear parents/carers,

UWS 'Big Dig'

Monday 22 July - Friday 26 July 2024

We are delighted to invite your child to participate in the 2024 Archaeological Big Dig! The event runs from Monday 22 – Friday 26 July.

The Big Dig is a 'Time Team' type activity coordinated by a local archaeology group 'Cravenology'. Students work alongside archaeologists in discovering the history of a particular site. This year the Big Dig will be located at **Netherside Hall** – a former Victorian hunting lodge, where we hope to uncover more of its past and hopefully find interesting artefacts along the way.

The Big Dig is aimed at young people aged 10 - 16 and is open to all children in the local area. Your child will be actively involved in all aspects of the excavation such as digging, cleaning, identifying and recording artefacts as well as surveying, drawing, photographing and much else besides.

In addition to the dig, there will be other activities to participate in, such as nature and fossil hunts, arts and crafts, bushcraft, archery, axe-throwing and shooting!

The 'Big Dig' has run for 14 years and the feedback from participants has always been very positive. For students joining UWS in September it is a great opportunity to make friends with existing students and to meet other new starters along with some of our staff. For those with an interest in history and archaeology it is a unique opportunity to practice 'hands on' history in the company of real archaeologists.

The cost is £40 per day and includes mid-morning snacks and drinks. You can book your child on the Big Dig for a week or as little as one day.

All participants must bring along a packed lunch and clothing suitable for outdoor activities (some of which can be very muddy.) The day begins at 9:30 and finishes at 15:30. As always, a good standard of behaviour is expected. Students will lose their opportunity to continue attending if members of staff feel a student's behaviour is unsafe and/or unacceptable.



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If you would like to book a place, please email me directly on <u>imitton@uws.n-yorks.sch.uk</u> to request a booking form. Places are limited to 15 participants per day so early booking is advisable. Payment details will be sent out upon receipt of booking forms.

If you would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes,

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Mr Mitton Assistant Headteacher and Head of History Big Dig Co-ordinator for Cravenology



Welcome to the Children's Health Services HDFT App

Improving access to healthcare, and helping health professionals continue to provide the best service







Infant Feeding

Mobile

Diet & Nu

Parent and Family Support

GAMING AND GAMBLING AWARENESS AND INFORMATION SESSIONS FOR PARENTS, CARERS AND GUARDIANS

Ygam are offering an online information session to help develop your understanding of gaming and gambling harms, enabling you to have open conversations with your children.

Workshop overview:

- Gambling: exploring the influences on children and young people
- Gaming: discussing the benefits and concerns
- The blurred lines between gaming and gambling
- O How to spot the signs of harm
- Useful tips to create a healthy gaming balance
- Where to get help and support

WHAT MIGHT INFLUENCE A YOUNG PERSON TO GAMBLE?

(Y)gam

WHAT IS A LOOT BOX?

WHY ARE IN-GAME ITEMS SO IMPORTANT TO YOUNG PEOPLE?

We also have a dedicated Parent Hub which aims to provide information and guidance to help you safeguard your children against the potential harms of gaming and gambling. Find out more here: parents.ygam.org

Book your **FREE** place now!

DATE: Monday 1st July 2024 TIME: 17:30 – 18:45 VENUE: Sutton in Craven CP School, BD20 7ES

<u>To register, please scan the QR Code or follow this</u> <u>link: Parent Awareness registration link</u>





Parent/Carer Support Group

About Us:

healthy minds

The Parent Support Group is an online support group, facilitated by NHS mental health practitioners. The group is a safe space for parents to get together, share their experiences and build positive relationships. A different subject is discussed each month and parents will receive useful information and strategies around the chosen monthly topic. For an invite, please email: <u>mhstparentsupport@bdct.onmicrosoft.com</u>

Next Parents Support Group details: Tuesday 21st May 2024 Topic: "Supporting your child: Anger & Frustration".





In this months Parent Support Group, we will be discussing supporting children and young people when they experience anger and frustration. Within the session, we will think about helpful strategies that can be used to support with these feelings.

mhstparentsupport@bdct.onmicrosoft.com

Wild Explorers Where nature, fun and adventure collide!

WILD EXPLORERS

A child-led, fun and nurturing holiday club set in beautiful woodland on the Broughton Estate.

We are an OFSTED registered outdoor holiday club where children can play, enjoy a campfire, woodland crafts, tools and much more!



Price

£30 per child per day Childcare vouchers accepted

> Age Reception - Age 13

May Half Term

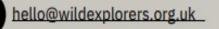
Tuesday 28th - Friday 31st May AND Monday 3rd June

Birthday parties also available year round email us for more info



Time 9.30am - 3.30pm

Location Broughton Hall Estate





www.wildexplorers.org.uk





HALF TERM FAMILY FUN WITH CRAFTS

Wednesday 29th May 10:30am - 12:30pm Skipton Library

Bring your little one along to this adult learning course and keep them busy while learning and having fun together.

This session is FREE to attend! Please ensure you book your place beforehand.

Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

www.northyorks.gov.uk/adultlearning Tel: 01609 536 066 Email: AdultLearningService@northyorks.gov.uk



Scan the QR code or email or call us



WHAT IS IT?

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The wellbeing café is an afterschool group for children who would benefit from wellbeing support in a safe & inclusive environment.

Children are invited to attend the wellbeing cafe for a half-term (up to 7 weeks).

Different topics are covered throughout the year including: worries, anger, grief and managing emotions.

Fun activities such as crafts, experiments and exploring the outdoors are planned to ensure that each topic is engaging and accessible.





APPENDIAL **

"EVERYBODY IS HERE TO HELP YOU"

FUN FACTS

Ages 7-11

SELFA, Broughton Rd, Skipton

Tuesdays

3.30pm-5.30pm

SELFA referral needed

01756 533110 admin@selfa.org.uk

Community Sporting Activities





EMBSAY Cofe (VC) PRIMARY SCHOOL **TAEKWONDO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB**

Hi.. I'm Charlotte, 4th Dan black belt and Master in Taekwondo, I am a mum of 2 primary aged children and run a Taekwondo club in Skipton. I am an experienced Martial Arts instructor, having being practicing Taekwondo most of my life and teaching or 15 years.



Does your child get bored with the usual PE activities? Do they have lots of energy to burn?

Why not move away from the traditional football, rugby, cricket and try Taekwondo? Appealing for both boys & girls alike. Taekwondo is excellent for fitness, flexibility, confidence, for stress & anger management

This is a complete beginners course and no experience is necessary to come and have a go!

TUESDAYS AFTER SCHOOL - 4.20pm finish Open to KS2 Classes at Embsay Primary £5 per session, per person. Bookable by term. To book, please email me directly. Charlotte@striketaekwondo.co.uk









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Events in 2024*

There's no shortage of events taking place in Skipton throughout the year.

Community Fun Day	5th May
Sandylands	
Skpton Beer Festival	23rd - 25th May
Skipton Town Hall	
Skipton Car Show	2nd June
High Street	
80th Anniversary of D-Day	6th June
Various locations	
Skipton Gala	8th June
High Street	
Skipton Sheep Day	30th June
Various locations	
Family Park Days	23rd Jul-29th Aug
Various locations	
Yorkshire Day Celebrations	1st Aug
High Street	
Yorkshire Regional Final for Young Traders	4th Aug
High Street	
Art in the Pen	17th & 18th Aug
Auction Mart	
Yarndale	28th & 29th Sept
Auction Mart	
Vintage Bus Sunday	13th Oct
Coach Street Car Park	
Remembrance Sunday	10th Nov
High Street	
Crafts in the Pen	16th & 17th Nov
Auction Mart	
Halloween Family Fun event	TBC
Santa Fun Run	24th Nov
Skipton Christmas Light Switch On	24th Nov
High Street	
Christmas Town Trail	TBC
Skipton Christmas Markets	1st & 8th Dec
High Street	
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