



Starbeck Community Primary
and Nursery School

21st June 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

School Advisor Visit

This week we were visited by our school improvement advisor – Matt Blyton, along with the maths advisor for NYCC. Our visitors were guided and updated by Mrs Willans our maths leader and myself and visited all classes, looking at the impact of lots of changes to our maths teaching and learning that we have put in place over the year. They were impressed with the progress made by children, the presentation in books and displays and also commented on the very good behaviours seen in class. We are delighted with the feedback which is very much down to the positive attitude and hard-work by all staff, embracing new expectations and change.

Year 3 Vegetable Box

Well done to Year 3 who have been working hard for several weeks growing and caring for their vegetables in their vegetable box. This involved creating a design for their special box linked to the 100th anniversary of the Great Yorkshire Show, keeping a diary of everything they planted and how it grew as well as learning about the science linked to how the range of vegetables were growing. All their hard work has paid off as they have got through to final of the competition being held at the Great Yorkshire Show on Wednesday 11th July. They also receive some free tickets for a class trip to the show in July.

Collection List Letters

All parents should by now have received a letter requesting information about who you authorise to collect your child/children from school. This information will be used to create new collection lists for each class which will be in place to use by September. Please could you ensure that you respond to this letter as soon as possible. Please include only those who will regularly collect your child (including yourselves). Once the lists are complete we will refer to these lists at home time. Should anyone then come to collect your child who is not named on the collection list, they will be sent to the school office for further verification to take place. Thank you for your cooperation in this new addition to our safeguarding procedures.

Year 5 Class Assembly

This week it was the turn of Mr Stratford's class to share their learning in a special assembly. The children have been learning all about Ancient Greece and presented their knowledge of the ancient Greek gods in the form of a modern day rap which was very entertaining. News of their recent trip to the Countryside Day was also part of the assembly. In addition, some wonderful art and DT work was on display from this term.

FOSS updates & Non Uniform Day

Thank you to our FOSS members who ran the Book People Book Fair last week. There were some great books and offers available and it was great to see so many of you browsing and supporting the event. We will now be able to order some books for the school using the commission earned from the event. Don't forget that our **Summer Fair** is taking place this **Saturday 23rd June** from **11am to 1pm**. This **Friday** we are having a **non-uniform day** as a thank you for helping to provide tombola gift bags and other donations which can be brought into school on Friday.

Yours sincerely,

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