



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER— 1st April 2022

Message from the Head

I would like to thank all our staff and families for their support over the last couple of weeks. Everyone has come together to support our federation of small schools whilst we have had staff absences. The children have remained incredibly resilient. Whilst we have made every effort to provide a familiar face for the children in class, this has not always been achievable. However, our children have carried on and continued to do their best in all their learning. We thank you for your co-operation.

Mr Routh has continued to support staff with their curriculum development this half term and is currently working with staff to plan for the Summer term. Mr Routh will continue to monitor the new foundation curriculum and will provide support to the federation after Easter for one day per week.

Enjoy your weekends,

Miss H Whyte

Bags2School Collection

Just a quick reminder that we shall be having our Bags2School collection on Monday the 4th of April. This is a great opportunity to get rid of all those unwanted items at home whilst raising money for school. All donations can be left in the school foyer on Monday morning. We would like to thank Mrs Green and the Friends committee for organising this collection and thank you all for your support.

Safeguarding

If you are concerned about a child's welfare please contact:

Miss Holly Whyte Designated Safeguarding Lead, Mr Mathew Atkinson—Deputy Safeguarding Lead, Mr James Routh—Deputy Safeguarding Lead, Rebecca Foy—Deputy Safeguarding
Kettlesing 01423 770576, Beckwithshaw 01423 504642 or Ripley 01423 770576

ATTENDANCE

	Snowy Owls	Kestrels	Red Kites
Week	93.29%	93.02%	92.36%
Year	90.52%	91.88%	92.07%

Each week we publish the attendance from September for each class. Our aspirational target for each class is 97%.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

DATE	EVENT
4th April 2022	Bags2School Collection & Autism Awareness Day
6th April 2022	KS1 & EYFS Moving Day
7th April 2022	Easter Tea in the Village Hall—2.30pm
8th April 2022	End of Term. School Closes at 2.30pm
25th April 2022	School Re-Opens
9th-13th May 2022	SATs Week

Stars of the Week

Snowy Owls: Will

For being a polite and kind member of the class.

Kestrels: Elijah

For being an absolute joy to have in the classroom.

Red Kites: Lucy

For approaching all she does with a positive attitude.

Health and Wellbeing

<https://www.dove.com/uk/stories/campaigns/confidence.html>

The Dove Self-Esteem Project has been on a mission to build positive body image since 2004. Now, they've created a new Confidence Kit to guide young people to be their most confident selves.

Autism Awareness Day

On Monday 4th April it will be a non-uniform day for all children and staff. We will all be wearing the national autism colour of blue and taking part in activities in class. A £1 donation is welcome.

Please find attached some resources for parents to support children's understanding at home.

<https://www.autismeducationtrust.org.uk/news/world-autism-awareness-day>

Kids in the Wild



KIDS IN THE WILD
IS YOUR CHILD 9-11 YEARS OLD?
DO YOU WANT YOUR CHILD TO HAVE THE ULTIMATE SUMMERTIME ADVENTURE?
ARE YOU FED UP WITH SEEING THEM INSIDE ON SCREENS?
DO YOU THINK THEY WOULD BENEFIT FROM TIME SPENT IN THE WILDERNESS?
Channel 4 and the producers of *Junior Bake Off* are making a brand-new series and are looking for children aged 9-11 to spend two weeks camping in nature this summer.
By encouraging independence outdoors, we will explore the relationships and skills children develop when put to the test.
VISIT WWW.APPLYFORTHEWILD.CO.UK
OR EMAIL KIDSINTHEWILD@LOVEPRODUCTIONS.CO.UK
<https://loveproductions.co.uk/content/privacy-policy>

Congratulations!

Congratulations and well done to Red Kites who came first in the Sum Dog competition this week. These competitions are a fun way to compete against other schools both locally and nationally.

Easter Tea

On Thursday the 7th of April at 2.30pm we shall be holding our Easter Tea in the Village Hall. Parents are invited to come along and celebrate with us. The children will perform some Easter songs and entertain you with their Easter knowledge, after which Friends have very kindly organised some refreshments, and who knows, there may even be a visit from The Easter Bunny! If you are able to kindly make a donation of cakes/buns/biscuits/hot cross buns for this event, these can be left in the school foyer on Thursday morning.



Governor Updates and Information

Dear all

The Governors agreed that we would aim to update parents regularly on our progress. Please see our current plans below.

Update from Governors – week ending 1st April

We will aim to update you regularly on the work that has been done by our IEB. This week we have:

Prepared and delivered a Parents' evening at Kettlesing

Discussed matters arising from above meeting, in particular communication with our communities

Been in discussion with NYCC regarding Interim Leadership (Headteacher) for the summer term: we will inform you as soon as we have anything concrete to report

Been in discussion with NYCC and Elevate Academy as a possible long-term way forward

The considerations around Academisation are complex and are different for all three schools

I attach a separate communication to explain this.

