



## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER— 1st April 2022

### Message from the Head

Dear Parents and Cares,

I do hope you had a wonderful Easter break spending quality time with loved ones.

Mr Whitehead and I are delighted to have commenced interim leadership of the Kettlesing, Beckwithshaw and Ripley federation and have had a super week meeting your children, the staff and some of you. We are very much looking forward to meeting you all over the coming months so please do come and speak with us at the start and end of day. In addition, we warmly welcome communications via email or telephone if there are any comments, concerns, questions, or feedback to ensure we work positively together for a super-successful Summer Term. Please do not hesitate to contact us via the school admin.

In relation to the newsletter, there will be some changes moving forward. We will move to a monthly publication which will include a more comprehensive overview of the school: news and dates. In addition, the newsletters will have a 'new look' and will be streamlined across the Federation.

Mr Whitehead and I are working with the Interim Executive Board and staff to continue the work of the previous interim leadership whilst implementing new strategies for rapid, school improvement. We fully understand the challenges the school community has faced and will be working tirelessly this term to positively impact these final few months of the academic year.

Once again, please do not hesitate to contact either myself or Mr Whitehead where we will be more than happy to help

Warmest regards,

Miss Victoria Kirkman

Executive Headteacher

### Safeguarding

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

**Miss Victoria Kirkman Designated Safeguarding Lead, Mr Chris Whitehead—Deputy Safeguarding Lead, Mrs Rebecca Foy—Deputy Safeguarding Lead**  
Kettlesing 01423 770576, Beckwithshaw 01423 504642 or Ripley 01423 770576

### ATTENDANCE

	Eaglets	Snowy Owls	Kes-trels	Red Kites
Wk	100%	98.61%	93.75%	91.77%
Yr	90.62%	91.27%	92.15%	92.25%

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
Mon 2nd May 2022	Bank Holiday
Mon 9th-Thurs 12th May 2022	SATs Week
Mon 9th-Thurs 12th May 2022	SATs Breakfast Club
Mon 16th-Fri 20th May 2022	Year 5/6 Residential to Buckden House
Fri 27th May	Training Day
Weds 1st-Thurs 2nd June 2022	School Photographs

### Stars of the Week

#### Eaglets Albert

For his amazing animal knowledge

#### Snowy Owls Will

For being a great friend!

#### Kestrels: Ethan

For trying really hard this week & having a super first week back

#### Red Kites: Chloe

For her positive and cheerful attitude in all she does

## Health and Wellbeing

### SATs (year 2 and year 6)

#### How can you help your child to prepare?

Teachers will make sure all pupils in their class are prepared for the tests. There's nothing specifically test-related that you should do to prepare your child. You should follow the general advice teachers give about supporting your child's education throughout the year, alongside SAT's prep that was sent home by Mrs Foy.

#### What do the tests look like?

You can look at past papers by searching online at [www.gov.uk/STA](http://www.gov.uk/STA).

#### Further information

Your child's teacher will be able to answer any questions you may have about the tests and teacher assessment judgements. For more details you can visit [www.gov.uk/STA](http://www.gov.uk/STA) or watch our short videos for parents about the tests at key stage 1 and key stage 2.

The most important thing you can do as parents is reassure your child that there is nothing to worry about, continue their normal routine and ensure they get plenty of sleep. We all want the children we care about to do well and feel good about themselves, knowing that they've given it their best shot.

Finally, we wish everyone the best of luck!

### SAT's Week Breakfast Club - Y6

From Monday 9th - Thursday 12th May, Mrs Foy will be running a SAT's breakfast club from 8.15am. All year 6 pupils are welcome to join.



### PE Reminder

Please may we ask that all children arrive at school in their PE kits every Monday and then bring their PE kits with them every Tuesday to change into for their yoga sessions. As a reminder the school PE kit should comprise of navy/black shorts or track-suit bottoms/leggings, a white T.Shirt, navy/black sweatshirt/hoodie, or the purple school hoodie only. Thank you.

## 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 29th April

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

- met with our summer term Interim Executive Leaders and agreed priorities
- reviewed improvement plan: next steps agreed
- reviewed post Ofsted Action plan at Beckwithshaw and Ripley Endowed
- progressed discussions with 'Elevate' multi-academy trust: consultation and communication documents will be issued to you shortly
- begun an external audit of income management and Governance information systems
- begun an audit of Governor action priorities and established workstreams

