Dear parents and carers,

We have had another busy week in school, all the child have worked extremely hard whilst having fun! A huge thank you to the families for working with us during the pickup and drop off times. This really has been a huge help.

Academy Conversion

We are getting very close to our academy conversion date. There has been a huge amount of work going on and we are very excited to be joining Jerry Clay Academy as part of Accomplish Trust. We know that we will work together to support each other and other schools as we have the same high expectations to ensure that children's experience in primary school is of the highest quality. As part of the conversion, school has money from the DfE which is to be used to pay for new signage, so you will be seeing some changes as we move into October. We are looking forward to the grand opening with the author Tom Palmer on 2nd October.

Junior Leaders



We had a lovely coffee morning and our Head boy and girl were very welcoming and great hosts. It was also an opportunity for parents to see the local help offer which I hope was useful.

Thank you for your support with our coffee morning and I hope you enjoyed it. We will be holding more during the year so look out for dates.

Reading

Thank you to everyone who has supported their children reading at home. As you know, we prioritise reading in our school, reading to children every day is essential for developing their vocabulary, language and listening skills. Children in Early years start to learn to read through our systematic Jolly Phonics scheme. Books are used to inspire childrens learning in class, as well as to develop life-long readers. I will be holding a phonics information meeting for parents in Reception and Year 1 which will give more information about how we teach phonics and reading in our school.



Friends of Stanley Grove

It was lovely to meet with a small group of parents to discuss organising some exciting events for our pupils as well as how we can raise much needed funds for school resources. We would still love to have more parents joining us. You can give as much or little time as you can spare, as it all helps. Please get in touch if you want to help at any events or have any ideas for future ones.

Curriculum

How wonderful it was for one of our children to share their own version of a miners lamp in Class 5 the other day. Lots of clear information about her creation; and very colourful too! Fantastic work.





Focusing on ball skills in our Tag Rugby sessions, Class 5 children worked hard to communicate clearly to their partners and consider the accuracy of their passing.

Remaining active is key! Our KS1 and KS2 children demonstrating this quality in abundance dusing after school sports club. Key handling of the ball and application of this skill to a game situation was the primary focus.

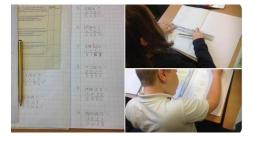




Class 1 have started to study their local hero, Barbara Hepworth. They are working hard on their own sculptures. We can't wait for our trip to see her work.

Class 6's first pieces of writing and artwork based on the picture book 'Tuesday' by David Wiesner.





Y4 children have been working really hard on addition and subtraction column methods in maths this week. Lots of problems solving using these methods too!

Science in action. Y5 are 'feeling the force' this half term, exploring air resistance during their outdoor learning sessions.



As part of National Fitness Day,

Class 5 children engaged in a spot of extra active movement, courtesy of a very energetic dance video.



Exploring the link between air resistance and surface area, the children in Class 5 designed and tested their own parachutes, recording the time it took for them to land on the floor, once released.



Reading Challenge Winners

We are so proud of all of our pupils for keeping up their reading this summer. Our school had the biggest percentage of pupils completing the reading challenge which I could not be happier about. Huge well done to you all. We have won £500 of books for school and we are having a visit from author Loretta Schauer on Monday 16th October. This really shows that our pupils love reading and are giving themselves the best chance of success. Brilliant news.

Scarborough

Our Class 3 children had a great day in Scarborough. I'm sure they've already told you about their adventures. Please watch out for a slideshow with more photos going onto the school website in the coming days.









Dates for your diary

26/09 Yorkshire Sculpture Park - Class 4

01/10 Officially changing over to Academy to join Accomplish Trust

02/10 Official opening of the new Academy with author Tom Palmer

03/10 Hepworth Visit - Class 1

05/10 KS2 Outwood Together Cross Country Event – Stanley St Peters

05/10 Phonics meeting for parents in the school hall 13:30

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10/10 World Mental Health Day

16/10 Visit from author Loretta Schauer

16/10 Nursery/Reception parents look around day (New pupils) 3pm

18/10 Please bring in any donations of food for our Harvest collection (more details to follow)

19/10 Harvest Service (for pupils only)

19/10 KS2 Outwood Together Tag Rugby - Newton Hill

27/10 School closes for October half term

06/11 School opens

08/11 Inset day (school closed to pupils)

If not already done so, please link the website calendar to your own. Additional dates will be communicated as they are confirmed but please keep checking the calendar.

I hope you have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Frost