Foston Primary School

Weekly bulletin
22 October



Head of School Update
It has been a busy half term filled with lots of learning, and the children have been thoroughly engaged with our topics. It has been wonderful to see their enthusiasm and curiosity throughout the term.

Parents' Evenings
Parents' evening appointments will shortly be released on Arbor and will take place on Tuesday 10th and Thursday 12th November. We look forward to meeting with you to share how the children are getting on and discuss their progress.

Staff Training
Tomorrow, we look forward to our staff training day, which will include an interactive, practical session led by the Maths Hub. The session will focus on the effective use of resources to support and enhance children's learning in mathematics.

House Point Winners! ⏳
Well done to all the children for earning house points this half term! The final results are:

- 🥇 Dr Seuss – 79 points
- 🥈 Atinuke – 63 points
- 🥉 Lewis Carroll – 57 points
- 🥉 Beatrix Potter – 57 points

A huge congratulations to Dr Seuss House for finishing in first place! As a special reward, children in Dr Seuss House are invited to come to school in non-uniform on Friday 6th November. Well done to everyone for their continued hard work and for demonstrating our school values!

Looking Ahead
We look forward to welcoming all the children back to school on Monday 2nd November, ready for another exciting half term of learning and new experiences.

We hope you all have a lovely half-term break!
Katie Stringer
Head of School

Wow Class work

EYFS/ KS1
What a wonderful last week of term! The children have been amazing writers this week, writing letters to Miss Stringer to ask her to help Beegu. In Computing, we have been exploring online safety and discussing our digital footprints. In Geography, we have been learning about London's landmarks and transport. We got creative and designed and made our very own Underground stations! We have also had a fantastic Thursday exploring Christianity around the world. The children created some beautiful stained-glass windows inspired by the churches we have discovered in different parts of the world. We hope everyone has a lovely half-term break.





Y3 & 4
In computing we have been finding out about the different ways we can use our computers at school. We had lots of fun exploring the different applications available to us such as Powerpoint, Word and Firefox. It was particularly exciting to experiment with different fonts and colours in our Word documents before saving it to our own folder. We also used our IT skills to open a file with information about how to stay safe online-the main objective of this unit.







Y5 & 6
Class 3 have enjoyed their science lessons this term learning about materials and their properties. In our lesson this week, we used bicarbonate of soda and vinegar to create a mixture – which created carbon dioxide inflating the rubber gloves!

Reminder for Year 6 Parents – Secondary School Applications
A reminder that the **deadline for applying for a secondary school place for September 2027 is Saturday 31 October 2026**.
As this falls during the half-term holiday, we strongly encourage parents who have not yet submitted an application to do so before the deadline. Late applications can be submitted until 30 November 2026, but parents will need to provide a reason for missing the original deadline. **Please ensure your application is submitted on time.**
North Yorkshire Secondary Admissions – Apply Online
Click here to apply for a secondary school place through North Yorkshire Council.



Parent News

Parent Evenings

Guardian Consultations will take place on Tuesday 10 November and Thursday 12 November. Appointment slots will be ten minutes long and are now available to book on Arbor. If you require help with logging into Arbor or help navigating to book an appointment, please see Mrs Featherstone.

SATs Club

After some technical difficulties, SATs club has now been loaded up to Arbor and should be bookable for all those children in Year 6. Although this is a free club, please ensure your child is booked on if they are attending.

Tennis Club

There is an opportunity to run an afterschool tennis club from an external provider in the new year and we would like to gauge pupil interest in this. Please speak to Mrs Featherstone on the gate if you would be interested in a tennis club.











School wish list: If you have any of the following items we would welcome you bringing them in to enhance the children's learning!

- Clean, empty glass jam jars for pencil crayon storage in Class 2
- Crochet hooks for afterschool club

What should I do if I am worried about a child?

If you believe that a child is immediate danger from significant harm, dial 999 to report it to the Police.

How do I make a referral?

Referrals can be made via the universal referral form or following an Early Help Assessment. Both can be located on North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership website: https://www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk/professionals/forms-and-tools/

Urgent referrals can be made via telephone to the Customer Resolution Centre on 0300 131 2 131 or alternatively call the NSPCC Helpline: 0808 800 5000 or email: help@NSPCC.org.uk

Dates for the Diary

First Day of Autumn Term 2	Monday 2 November	All children to return today
House point Winners Non-Uniform	Friday 6 November	Dr Suess house can come in non-uniform today
Parents' evening	Tuesday 10 November	3.40-6.30pm appointments
Parents' evening	Thursday 12 November	3.30-5.30pm appointments

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