

# **Fishergate Primary School Newsletter**

## 9.5.2025

## A FEW WORDS

Please make sure that you read further down the newsletter to find out about Alice, the Local Area Coordinator for Fishergate, Fulford and Heslington. She is a fantastic person to know if you need support in any area of your life and will be basing herself in our playground once a month so that you can get in touch with her easily. If you would like her help but would prefer to do it privately then just let somebody who you trust in school know and they will set up a meeting with her, in a place where you are comfortable, on your behalf.

We always have many reasons to be proud of our children and at this time of the year our Year 6s really shine. Each and every one of them has worked incredibly hard to prepare themselves for their SATs tests next week and we know that they are going to do their absolute best. The secondary schools that they are going to are very lucky to be getting such hard-working, resilient, and focussed children!

# **DATES**

Y6 SATs week

Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> – Alice will be on the playground from 3pm



# FRIENDS OF FISHERGATE

#### Cake Stall Helpers!

Currently we do not have any volunteers to run the cake stall on 16th May next week and the 27th June. Yikes! Ideally we need a minimum of 3 people to run it smoothly. If you are available from 3pm for approximately 30 mins, please let us know or drop a message to the school office. Your help will be greatly appreciated!

# Friends Meeting at Busk Coffee Shop Next Thursday (15/05/25)

Please join us at 9am for an hour, to discuss friends' business and to start planning the Summer Fair! This is where you can have your say! Have you got an idea that you would like to see happen? Would you like to get more involved but don't know how? This is the place you need to be! Hope you will join us!

## Year 3 & 4 Cake Sale next Friday.

Families from KS2 yrs 3/4 are invited to donate their delicious sweet baked goods for the cake sale at 3.15pm. Donations should be nut free and can be sent in with your children that morning or left at the school office. This is the last opportunity for year 3/4 to raise funds for their classroom in this school year. Please support them in any way you



can!

## **PHASE UPDATES**

**EYU –** This week has been all about The Very Hungry Caterpillar. We have loved trying to remember all the yummy things that the caterpillar ate and we have also shared our favourite foods in circle time. We had fun in the forest trying to spot butterflies. In our art area, we created painted and collage butterfly art. In Maths, we have been counting really big numbers over 20! We are getting really good at remembering our teens numbers.

**Year 1/2 -** In topic, KS1 have begun making their clothes for their 80s fashion show at the end of term, whilst in Literacy we've been writing instructions about how to make recycled musical instruments.

**Year 3/4 -** Yr 3/4 took part in a Cultural Carnival last Friday where education students from York University set up short activities about different countries around the world. All our children were involved and enjoyed the workshop. This week we have been planting broad bean seed in cups with damp paper towels so that we can observe them growing, as part of our science topic alongside learning the functions of the different parts of a plant.

**Y5/6** - This week Year 6 is feeling very confident about all the progress they have made in their English and maths before SATs next week. They should be very proud of themselves! Year 5 are excited to hear who has won their story-writing competition - winners to be announced soon.

## **CULTURAL CARNIVAL**

The Carnival was delivered to the 3/4 classes last Friday, with six different stalls covering Arabic, Cantonese, Turkish, Mandarin, Spanish and Polish. At each stand there were a number of resources and fact sheets for the children to learn from and complete before moving on. It was planned and delivered by students from York University, and they did a fantastic job. Our children had a brilliant time and learnt lots of new things.







# **INTRODUCING ALICE**

Alice, the Local Area Coordinator for Fishergate, Fulford and Heslington will be holding a parents and carers' chats monthly on the playground on the following dates: 15th May, 12th June and 10th July from 3PM. This is a chance to meet your LAC and find out more about what support they can offer.



For those who are new to Local Area Coordination: it is an evidence-based approach to support you as a valued resident in your community. LACs work with individuals and families of all ages and abilities. They take time to get to know you, your family, friends, carers and your community, so they can help you to build a strong support network. This enables you to pursue your vision for a good life and to stay safe, strong, connected, healthy, and in control. LACs do this by helping raise awareness of available resources; provide links to local services; support with a wide range of issues; encourage resilience and social inclusion in communities; and identify, nurture and use/share personal strengths, skills, experiences and those of their communities.

Support is offered to people who feel isolated and vulnerable due to disability, age or mental health needs, are experiencing financial challenges, housing issues, lack of connection to their community or for any other reason(s). Residents can introduce themselves or be introduced to their LAC by anyone (GPs, local councillors, professionals, local people, neighbours, friends, relatives, voluntary organisations, local clubs and activities). The types of support offered by an LAC are but not limited to:

- helping you access a wide range of information
- identify and navigate complex health and social care systems
- develop relationships and community networks
- getting your voice heard about things that are important to you
- helping you find volunteering opportunities
- find practical ways of doing the things you want or need to do

There are no lengthy referral forms, criteria or assessments so just get in touch with Alice directly on **07923 232824** or email <u>alice.hawken@york.gov.uk</u>. For more information on Local Area Coordination in York please visit <a href="https://www.york.gov.uk/health-social-care/local-area-coordinators">https://www.york.gov.uk/health-social-care/local-area-coordinators</a>

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