



Welcome back to the Summer Term. We hope that you all had an enjoyable and refreshing Easter Break!

On Monday 16th April Dave from Skip2BFit was in school to deliver a skipping workshop to each class. The sessions were aimed at encouraging children to take part in physical activity whilst having fun too! We will be incorporating some regular skipping sessions into our P.E. lessons to help build up children's fitness and resilience. Parents were invited to join in sessions with their children at the end of the school day. I think it is safe to say that everyone who took part enjoyed the session!

Thank you to those parents and grandparents who came along and joined in the fun!

Year 5 took part in Food Technology classes at Bishop Barrington School on the 19th of April. The class learned how to make Spaghetti Bolognese—and Chicken Stir Fry using a variety of tools and ingredients.

As you know Year 5 has been involved in The Fighting Bradford's Project throughout the school year. The Bradford Brothers were originally from Witton Park. Both brothers have been awarded the VC and for the first brother, Roland, this was commemorated on Saturday 11th March 2017. Last Saturday 21st April 2018 was the commemoration for Thomas Bradford. There was a church service and the unveiling of the stone to honour his bravery. Six Year 5 children performed monologues and read letters from World War 1 and sang in a special performance in the village hall. It was a very moving tribute and I was extremely proud of our children. It was a prestigious event with lots of VIPs present including relatives of the Bradford Brothers. It was a privilege to be involved in such an occasion and I'm sure the memories will stay with our children for a lifetime. Thank you to Adam, Brianna, Chloe, Kristen, Keira and Joshua from Year 5 for being truly fantastic and for giving up their own time to rehearse and take part. Thank you also to Mrs Sangster who supported the children with this event.

On the 23rd April 14 Spanish children and 3 teachers from CEIPP do Camiño Inglés in Oroso visited us. We are establishing a link with the school to support our learning of the Spanish language and the wider curriculum. The children joined with children from our school from Year 4, 5 and 6 and we completed the Camino Walk from Finchale Abbey to Durham Cathedral. They also visited our school and Bishop Auckland. They finished the day with a game of bowling at Planet Leisure. It was lovely to see the children making new friendships and interacting with each other and practising their language speaking skills.

We have some very talented runners in our school and on 23rd April Leah and Jamie (Year 6) and Harrison (Year 4) took part in the County Cross Country Finals in Peterlee. They ran really well with Harrison coming 3rd, Leah coming 8th and Jamie coming 12th in their respective races. Congratulations to all three of them!

On Wednesday 25th April a group of children from our school choir took part in the Commonwealth Celebration Event. They were involved in workshops at County Hall, took part in a large procession from the Market Place to the Cathedral and ended with a service in the Cathedral which also involved singing in a mass choir. It was a wonderful event to be involved in and I am sure that the children took a lot from the day.

Thank you for your continued support.

Wendy Gill and Staff



Sports Day

As per recent text reminder—
Sports Day has been changed
to Monday 9th July at 1.15
p.m. due to other sporting
activities taking place on 3rd
July. Please amend your school
planner. Thank you.

Reminder

As we are approaching warmer weather, would you please ensure that all clothing, particularly sweatshirts and cardigans are clearly labelled with your child's name. Children should also have a water bottle in school. *(N.B. this should contain water only!)*



Congratulations



Star of the Week Award

20th April 2018

Class Nominations

Reception	Jaycee B
Class 1	Elena W
Class 2	Harry M
Class 3	Finlay B
Class 4	Daisy J
Class 5	Hannah D
Class 6	Aaron B

Superstar of the Week!

* Daisy J *

Star of the Week Award

27th April 2018

Class Nominations

Reception	Harry C
Class 1	Noah G
Class 2	Cruz J
Class 3	Sophie B
Class 4	Ross J
Class 5	Jack R
Class 6	Kaine R

Superstar of the Week!

* Sophie B *

ATTENDANCE

Week Beginning: 26/3/18

Class 5

97.9%

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Week Beginning: 16/4/18

Reception Class

100%