



Newsletter



Friday 11th October 2024

Next week

Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	Y5 & Y6 Football event
Friday	

Attendance

1st Place - Class 3 - 97.3%

2nd Place - Class 4 - 96.9%

3rd Place—Class 6 - 95.2%

Please continue to promote good attendance.

We are trying to ensure all children are in and ready to learn before we close the gates at 9:00am.

Whole School Attendance %

Please follow our Facebook page for regular weekly updates

<https://www.facebook.com/people/Colburn-Community-Primary-School/61553372007060/>

facebook

Forest School

Monday 14th Oct: Year 6

Tuesday 17th Oct: Year 4

Please make sure children wear appropriate clothing.



Polite Notice

If you think you might be eligible for Free School Meals, please come to the office for more information.

Thank you

ParentPay

Please pay any outstanding balance on your child's ParentPay accounts.

Thank you.





House Points Total



Purple
Amethysts
Points

302

Red
Rubies
Points

333

Green
Emeralds
Points

385

Blue
Sapphires
Points

351

Yellow
Diamonds
Points

392



Merit Points



20 merits: Elora S-D

40 merits: Ellie-Mae R, Rowan

T, Nelly D, Cassidy J, Leo M,

Kayden S and Everleigh R-W

300 merits: Harmony T

900 merits: Kai L



' I respect other'
differences'



Y6. Lexie B



Y5. Katie A



Y4. Miley W



Y3. Ria R



Y2. Marnie-Lea T



Y1. Olivia J



FS2. Luna S



Term Key Dates

Fri 25th Oct	Half term begins	Wed 18th & Thurs 19th (6pm)	KS2 Christmas Production
Mon 4th Nov	Children return from half term	Thurs 28th Nov	Flu immunisation day
11th – 15th Nov	Anti-Bullying week: Odd socks can be worn all week to celebrate diversity	Wed 18th Dec (2:30pm)	KS1 Christmas Nativity
Mon 11th Nov	School Remembrance assembly	Thurs 19th Dec (9:30am)	Foundation Stage Christmas carols
Tues 12th & Thurs 14th Nov (4pm—6pm)	Parents' Evening	Fri 20th Dec	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper day: Break up for Christmas at 3:30pm
Fri 15th Nov	Children in Need – Wear something spotty	Tues 7th Jan 2025	Children return to school

Safeguarding spotlight on:

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators TEACHING CHILDREN FIRE SAFETY

Fire safety is especially important around Bonfire Night, as fireworks, bonfires and sparklers add extra risks for families and young children. Every year in the UK, thousands of accidents occur due to improper handling of fireworks and neglecting fire safety measures. This guide offers practical tips for keeping children safe when handling everything from fireworks to space heaters.

1 BONFIRE NIGHT AWARENESS

Bonfire Night is exciting, but it comes with several inherent risks. Educate children about the dangers of fireworks and open flames. Teach them that only adults should handle fireworks and that bonfires should never be approached. Keep children at a safe distance (at least five metres away) from bonfires and explain why supervision is crucial during these events.

2 SUPERVISE FIREWORK USE

Fireworks should only be handled by responsible adults who are following UK laws and guidelines. Make sure to buy fireworks that meet British Standards and adhere to all instructions that come with them. Keep children at a suitable distance from any firework activity and designate an adult to supervise the event. Ensure no one goes near fireworks after they've been lit.

3 SPARKLER SAFETY

Sparklers are often captivating for little ones, but they can burn at extremely high temperatures – over 1,000 °C! Only allow children over the age of five to use sparklers, and make sure they wear gloves. Teach them to hold sparklers at arm's length and never wave them near others. Once a sparkler has burned out, extinguish it fully in a bucket of water – which you should prepare beforehand and always keep nearby.

4 ORGANISED DISPLAYS ARE SAFER

If possible, families should attend an organised fireworks display rather than holding one at home. These tend to be far safer as they're run by professionals adhering to strict safety regulations. Organised displays also provide a controlled environment where children can enjoy the event from a safe distance, reducing the risk of accidents.

5 KEEP FIREWORKS AWAY FROM THE HOME

If you are hosting your own fireworks display, set them off well away from homes, sheds or fences to avoid starting accidental fires. Choose a wide-open space with no flammable materials nearby and keep a means of putting out fires to hand in case of emergency – such as a bucket of water, a hose or a fire extinguisher. Afterwards, ensure that all fireworks are fully extinguished and never attempt to relight one if it doesn't go off.

6 BONFIRE SAFETY

If you're building a bonfire, place it well away from trees, buildings, fences or anything else flammable. Make sure it's structurally sound and not at risk of collapsing. Only burn natural materials like wood and leaves, avoiding petrol or other accelerants. Children should be kept far away from the bonfire, and it should always be supervised by adults. Be sure to fully extinguish the bonfire before you leave it.

7 "STOP, DROP AND ROLL"

Ensure that children know what to do if their clothing catches fire. Teach them the simple "stop, drop and roll" technique, which can quickly extinguish flames. Practice this with them before events like Bonfire Night, so they feel confident if the need to use it arises. It can also be helpful to keep another means of putting out these kinds of fires on standby, just in case. An extinguisher or flame-retardant blanket are both sound choices.

8 SECURE CANDLES AND OPEN FLAMES

Beyond Bonfire Night, everyday fire safety is also crucial. Candles can be a common fire hazard, especially in homes with young children. Teach children not to touch any open flames, and ensure candles are placed in sturdy holders away from combustible materials. Never leave candles, incense burners or other such items unattended, and always extinguish them fully before leaving a room or going to bed.

9 EDUCATE ABOUT FIREWORKS HAZARDS

Make sure children understand the dangers of playing with fire or fireworks, and how to handle such things responsibly. Emphasise that fireworks are not toys and can cause serious injuries when improperly used. Demonstrate the importance of treating fire with respect and the consequences of misuse, which can help temper any curiosity and any resultant dangerous behaviour.

10 FIRST AID FOR BURNS

Even if you have the best possible precautions in place, accidents can still happen. Keep a first aid kit on hand. Ensure you know how to apply basic first aid to burns, so you can teach children these techniques too. If someone suffers a burn, run it under cool water for 20–30 minutes. Never use creams or ointments, as these retain heat and can cause further damage. Instead, seek medical help if the burn is serious.

Bringing Technology & Sustainability Together

Free Family Learning session

Saturday 19th October 10:30am - 12:30pm
Richmond Library

Bring your children to an exciting session of discovery and fun at our library! With Green Libraries week and Get Online week we will be exploring the wonders of nature and sustainability through interactive activities. Plus, you can dive into the world of technology with VR headsets and Makey Makey kits.

It's a fantastic opportunity for you and your children to learn, play, and create in a safe and engaging environment. Children must be accompanied by adults at all times.

Remember to bring ID with you to enrol on the day!

**Celebrate
Green Libraries
and Get Online
week with us!**

**Book your place
on-line
or call Abby on
01609 533906
or email
abby.armstrong
@north
yorks.gov.uk**

www.northyorks.gov.uk/adultlearning

Tel: 01609 563 066

Email: AdultLearningService@northyorks.gov.uk

**Adult
Learning**
North Yorkshire

**NORTH
YORKSHIRE
COUNCIL**

This course is free to learners using public funding, therefore you will be asked to complete an enrolment form if you wish to attend. If you want to attend the course but do not want to complete an enrolment form, there will be a fee.



Has your child had their eyes tested yet?



This leaflet provides important information on looking after your child's eyes and booking an eye test for children

Children in North Yorkshire should visit an optician for a free eye test

When should you get your child a free eye test?

Ideally children should start having regular eye tests from the age of 4. But they can be tested at any age, even if they can't read or speak.

How do you book a free child's eye test?

Please book your child an eye test at an opticians, even if you have no concerns about their vision. To do this contact your local opticians at nhs.uk/service-search/find-an-NHS-sight-test/location

What will it cost?

Children under 16 are entitled to NHS-funded (FREE) eye tests. If your child needs glasses, they will receive a voucher to **help with the cost.**

Why should you get your child's eyes tested?

- ✓ Being able to see clearly will mean your child is able to learn and develop at school and socially.
- ✓ Eyes are still developing in early childhood. An eye test helps pick up and treat any problems. This can help to **avoid or prevent** longer-term eye problems.
- ✓ Even if you think your child has normal vision it is still important to get their eyes tested.
- ✓ They are no longer tested in school.

How can you tell if your child has an eye problem?

Some eye problems don't show any signs, so it is always best to **take your child for an eye test**.

Signs of a possible eye problem can include:

- having one eye that turns in or out
- difficulty concentrating
- behavioural problems
- headaches
- rubbing their eyes a lot
- sitting too close to the TV
- screwing up/closing one or both eyes
- holding things close to them



An eye test is very **important** especially if there's a **history** of early glasses use, childhood **eye problems**, **squint** or **lazy eye**, in your family.

Did you know?

Short-sightedness is on the rise and has been linked to a range of factors including **screen use**. Help your child's eyes stay healthy by **managing screen use** and encouraging them to **get outside often** (this helps their eyesight).

More Information:

- NHS information: [nhs.uk/conditions/eye-tests-in-children/](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/eye-tests-in-children/)
- Find an optician: [nhs.uk/service-search/find-an-NHS-sight-test/location](https://www.nhs.uk/service-search/find-an-NHS-sight-test/location)
- Information on Vision/Eye tests Humber and North Yorkshire ICB hnyhealthiertogether.nhs.uk/parentscarers/keeping-your-child-safe-and-healthy/eye-screening-and-tests
- Information on Vision/Eye tests for families in Craven, West Yorkshire ICB wyhealthiertogether.nhs.uk/parentscarers/your-childs-development/vision
- Looking After Your Children's Eyes - College of Optometrists lookafteryoureyes.org/eye-care/childrens-eye-health/
- Children's eye health - Association of Optometrists aop.org.uk/advice-and-support/for-patients/childrens-eye-health



SEP/OCT TIMETABLE

Talks are delivered online via zoom 7pm to 9pm £24 each

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

FREE SESSIONS Supporting Kids with School Anxiety Introduction to Facing Defiance	26 SEP 24 OCT
Understanding Anger	23 SEP
Supporting a Child with ADHD	24 SEP
Understanding the Teenage Brain	7 OCT
Raising Self-Esteem	8 OCT
Decreasing Depression	15 OCT
Anxiety Explained	17 OCT
Understanding Anger	21 OCT
Drug Awareness for Parents	22 OCT
Autism: Improving Communication	28 OCT
Introduction to OCD	29 OCT
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	31 OCT
Improving Family Communication	4 NOV
Raising Self-Esteem	5 NOV

AUTUMN

AT THE BOWES MUSEUM


**THE BOWES
MUSEUM**

CREATE SPACE

Daily, 10.00 – 5.00

Create your own artworks and treasures inspired by the Museum's collection using a variety of materials.

Suitable for all ages.

EXPLORER BAGS

Daily, 10.00 – 4.30

Pick up a guide and Explorer Bag from reception to identify wildlife in the parkland up close with magnifying glasses and binoculars.

Suitable for all ages.

ARTIST MAKERS:

CERAMICS FROM THE PAST

Saturday 26 October,
1.00 – 3.00

Join artist Charlie Brookes to explore the Museum's ceramic collection and experiment with different techniques and materials.

Recommended for ages 5+.

WE'RE GOING

ON A PLANT HUNT

Monday 28 October,
1.00 – 2.00

This Autumn we're hunting high and low to find plants, flowers and animals around the Museum. Listen to stories, sing songs and explore the galleries.

Recommended for under 5s.

HEDGEHOG HOUSES

Tuesday 29 October and
Thursday 31 October,
1.00 – 3.00

Help build habitats for hibernating hedgehogs in the parkland. On days when it's too rainy to be outside, we'll get arty and make in the Create Space.

Suitable for all ages.

ARTIST MAKERS:

AUTOMATA OF THE NATURAL WORLD

Wednesday 30 October,
1.00 – 3.00

Dive into the natural world with artist Betty Brown and learn how to make automata plants and animals inspired by amazing artwork around the Museum.

Recommended for ages 5+.

FAMILY STORY TOUR

Friday 1 November,
11.00 – 12.00 and 1.00 – 2.00

Come along for a journey through the galleries, as we explore the interesting stories and fascinating facts behind the art and objects of the Museum.

Suitable for families.

ARTIST MAKERS:

FIREWORK FIESTA

Saturday 2 November,
1.00 – 3.00

Spark your curiosity and light up the Museum with artist Zoe Allen as you transform 2D materials into 3D firework sculptures.

Recommended for ages 5+.

All activities are **FREE** to Members and included in normal admission charges.

Children under 14 must be accompanied by an adult.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Halloween Trail

5th October to
3rd November

Spooky season is nearly upon us in the Arboretum marking the start of our Halloween trail which opens 5th October and runs daily until 3rd November. Put on your cloak, grab your broomstick and head out into the Arboretum in search of spooky creatures. You'll stumble across tombs and skeletons and many more Halloween frights. Standard admission applies.



Santa's Grotto

Various dates from 30th November



Take a wintery walk through the Arboretum towards the cosy cabin nestled deep in the woods where the elves will be waiting to welcome you into an enchanted winter woodland. *Grotto tickets are priced at £12.50 per child and includes entrance into the Arboretum.*

Standard entry applies to the Arboretum.