

# A week in the life of



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Welcome back to a new academic year with a special warm welcome to our new Foundation children. It is lovely to see all of the children back at school and they are already impressing us with their hard work. Here are our first stars of the week, feeling very proud of themselves.



## Clubs for the following week:

Monday	
Colour & Chat	EYFS & KS1 – Mrs Hanly & Mrs Furmage lunchtime
Tuesday	
Premier Sports	Football (Years 1 -3) 8am – 8:45
Running	(Years 3 – 6) 3:30-4:30 Ms Carnaby & Mrs Grey
Wednesday	
Premier Sports	Football (Years 4 -6) 8am – 8:45
Mindfulness	Whole school – Mrs Britcliffe
Thursday	
Premier Sport	Multi sports (Years R - 6) 8am – 8:45am
Mindful colouring & Chat	(Years 3 - 6) 12:30 – 1 – Miss Toner
Netball	(Years 2 - 6) 3:30-4:30 – Mrs Clark
Gardening Club	Years 1 – 6 3:30-4:30 Mrs Otty
Friday	
Choir	12:30 – 1 (Mrs Shearwood & Mrs Owens)

**All children who have requested places in the clubs have been allocated places.  
Please note the Colour and Chat on a Monday is at lunchtime and NOT after school.  
Don't forget your wellies and gloves gardeners!**

## Attendance reminder

The safeguarding of children is always a priority of the academy. Following a tragic event last year in which a 4 year old autistic boy passed away, we have amended our attendance policy.

The coroner who dealt with the case sent a "Prevention of future deaths" statutory report to the Education secretary. This report included guidance for schools as detailed below:

- Schools should hold at least 3 phone numbers for different adults
- Schools should immediately send a member of staff when contact cannot be made by phone with the parent of an absent child.
- If there is no answer when staff visit the family home, the police should be called immediately.

Our policy has been updated and ratified by our governing body. It is available from the school office and will be available on the website shortly.



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## Class 1



What a lovely first week back we have had! We have spent a lot of time on fine motor activities and the children have really enjoyed this.

For the first few weeks this half term we will be looking at the story of "The three little pigs". The children have really enjoyed this story so far, and they will be creating some art work with Mrs Britcliffe next week, related to this popular book.

You will notice your child's reading book does not contain any words as yet. These early stage books are to encourage dialogue between yourself and your child, and they contain very useful guides of what questions to ask within them.

We will soon be informing you of the dates for our reading and phonics workshops, please look out for these as it would be beneficial for you to attend if possible.

Have a restful weekend- something tells me the children need it!

Mrs Hanly and Mrs Shearwood



## Class 2



What a fantastic start in Class 2. The children have all returned from their break with enthusiasm and positivity and Year 1 have settled well into our class. Year 2 have been very helpful explaining our routines and expectations. We have shared all the things we have done over summer and shown great listening skills answering questions about what others have done. The children have then completed some writing about their holidays. In maths we have looked at numbers and place value, counting, ordering and representing numbers. We have enjoyed observing what is happening outside for science; colour mixing for art; moving between England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Island in geography and different movements in PE. Wow what a busy start!



## Class 3

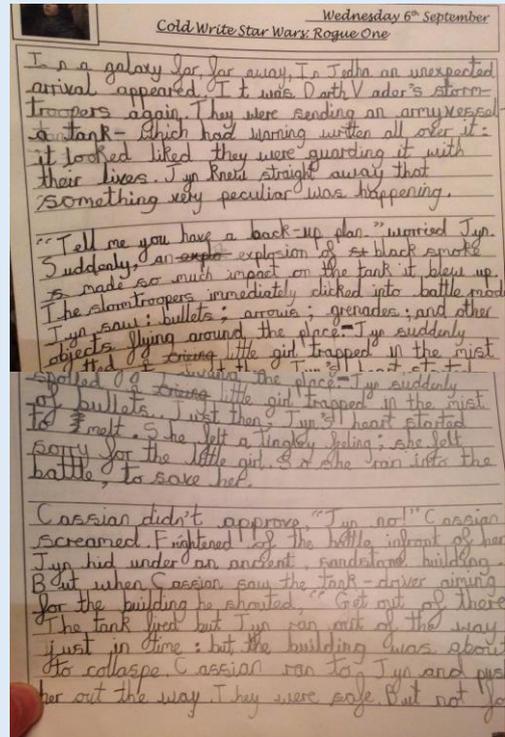


Class 3 have made a great start to the new school year. We have moved into our new classroom in the hall and are settling in well with our new teacher, Miss Shaw.

In maths, we have started off by recapping our knowledge of place value, in particular looking at 3 and 4 digit numbers and breaking them down into their different values.

We have enjoyed discussing and sharing our experiences from the summer holidays and have started our first piece of written work, detailing our favourite memories. It has been a tall order getting our hands used to writing again after six weeks off, but we are easing back in gently and looking forward to starting our topic work next week.

## Class 4



What a fantastic start back to the new term! It's great to work with such enthusiastic children who want to do well and impress their peers and teachers. The new Year 5 are settling into the routine and are rising to the challenges of the new curriculum. It is great to see so many of the new Year 6 have retained their writing skills from last year. We have started our World War II topic looking at how war is shown in the movies. We looked at a 2-minute clip from Star Wars: Rogue One and then we asked the children to write the storybook version of the clip. It was written as a cold write with no help and the standard was tremendous. There were plenty of great examples and some children exceeded their own expectations but I've included Isabel's story as it is very detailed, uses higher level punctuation and grammar expertly and she made sensible and informed spelling choices. We are now studying the actual novelisation of this clip and will re-write it choosing better vocabulary and exploring the feelings of the characters. Keep up this high standard Class 4. I am so proud of you all, already.

## Dates for your diary New dates in blue



Please see our dates for Christmas bookings next week.

## Behaviour - (Recorded incidents this week)

Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	
1	0	0	0	Classroom
0	0	0	0	Lunchtime

**Well done all classes, an excellent start to the year.**

## ★ ★ Stars of the Week ★ ★

**Class 1 – Jayden** presented for excellent communication and interaction during his first week at school.

**Class 2 – Yara** presented in recognition of a very positive start, trying very hard with independent work.

**Class 2 – Lily Bea** presented in recognition of a very positive start full of enthusiasm. Great writing and Maths work.

**Class 3 – Jack H** presented for a super effort with our writing about the summer holidays. A fantastic start to the year.

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**Class 4 – Rubi** for working extremely hard on her Cold Write and for developing confidence when reading aloud.

**Class 4 – Isabel** for an outstanding descriptive story based on a film clip of rogue one, using higher level grammar, punctuation and spelling.

## Attendance - for this week 2

Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4
100%	94.79%	100%	89.88%
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Whole school attendance <b>95.83%</b>			

**Unfortunately our attendance levels are lower than usual due to unauthorised holidays. Parents please be aware that in September 2013, the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations were amended to prohibit the Head teacher of a school granting leave of absence for a pupil except when there were exceptional circumstances relating to the request. This will potentially result in a fine being issued by the local authority.**

### Garden News

Saturday August 12<sup>th</sup>, was the date of the Wolds Villages Gardening Club show and children from the Academy Gardening Club proudly exhibited some runner beans and potatoes, as well as having an entry in the longest runner bean. Although these entries didn't place, the children attending the show were stunned and delighted to win a trophy for the best childrens' exhibit in an adult class. This trophy is now on display in the academy. Six academy children also exhibited the pansies they had been growing since April and one of our year 1 children was awarded third place. All the pansies made a bright and cheerful display. Well done to all the children who took part and to the Gardening Club children whose hard work and diligence has produced a bumper crop of runner beans and potatoes. Carrots and string beans are also abundant in the vegetable patch but pride of place goes to a rather magnificent pumpkin which should be a wonderful centrepiece come Halloween.



### Sporting News

Reminder, please could everyone bring their PE kit in on a Monday and leave in school until Friday. Although we usually have set days these can change and kits must be here. This half term PE lessons will be outside at school or at the playing fields, unless it is raining. Therefore we ask that appropriate clothing, but importantly correct fitting and appropriate shoes are sent. Trainers are the most advisable footwear for PE. Please remember earrings must be removed or taped and long hair should be fastened back.

### Community News

## Smell the Coffee!



From Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September and every following Thursday between 10am and 12noon the hall will be open and serving coffees (and teas and biscuits etc!). Come along and meet up with friends, buy them a coffee and have a good natter.

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Tickets for the fat chance concert on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October are now on sale. They are £10 per head and the doors open at 7:30pm. As usual there is no bar so they need to bring their own drinks. There will be various nibbles out on the tables but they are always welcome to bring their own if they wish. There'll be no pie and peas this year so that no-one has to slave in the kitchen and we all have plenty of time for fun, dancing and spending time with friends. Tickets are available from me at the bottom of The Hill and I'm on 618670 or email [davefeat@live.co.uk](mailto:davefeat@live.co.uk)