Five things you didn’t know about Mrs Douthwaite…..

1. What was your favourite cartoon as a child?

**The Raccoons**

1. What is your favourite pizza topping?

**Meat Feast**

1. What is your favourite animal?

**Panda**

1. What music do you like?

**Loud/Hip hop**

1. What is your favourite game?

**Age of Empire, Mario Kart**

School Development Plan 2015 – 2016

The School Development Plan is produced each year by our staff and governors. It identifies the priorities and actions that will lead to school improvement.

The school priorities this year are:

**1) To develop and implement an assessment system which ensures that the majority of pupils make at least good progress in all core subjects**

**2) To ensure that the restructure of classes is managed effectively and meets the needs of all pupils through high quality provision and teaching**

**3) To work collaboratively with Burneston to strengthen teaching and learning and create more opportunities for pupils to learn and socialise together**

These priorities aim to ensure that our move from two classes to three has a real impact on our children and helps them to benefit from the high quality provision and teaching strengths which exist in our school. We will also be working hard to ensure that our collaboration with Burneston has major benefits for our pupils and provides them with lots of opportunities to mix and socialise with their counterparts. Finally we will be developing and implementing a new assessment system and we will be telling you more about this as the year develops. As always we will keep you informed through our newsletters of the developments and progress we make with our priorities.



Squash Training

On Fridays we have a

very kind lady called

Diana to teach us squash. We have played Pass the Parcel and one, two, three catch. We have also played against a portable wall. We always have great fun with Diana and enjoy playing squash.

By George Nicholson & Thomas Smith



Newsletters

Welcome to our 1st newsletter of the new school year. These letters come out on the last Friday of each month and they aim to keep you informed about everything that is happening around school. We regularly feature reports written by the children which enables them to share with you their own experiences of school and the things they are doing. Contributions from our staff, parents and governors are also encouraged. So please let us know if you would like to add something to our letters.

I am pleased to announce that our new School Council have been elected. This year our School Council members are; Y6: Emma Barker, Kirsty Bowes, Reece Cunnington and Kayleigh McTavey Y5: Dylan Doherty and Katie Kettlewell Y4: Aaron Brooks and Edie Cooper Y3: Aleks Piwowar and Kameron Shorleson Storey Y2: Shylah Ben-Moussa and Annabel Nicholson. Congratulations to everyone who has been elected. I hope you enjoy a successful year helping to make your school a better place.



TUBS4TABLETS

We are collecting Flora Original Buttery and Light 500g promotional tubs purchased from Tescos which will help us to gain our own tablets. If you have any tubs, please could we have them by **December 4th**.

Class topics

Class topics for this term are as follows;

Dragons – Ourselves

Bears – The Stone Age

Eagles– Hunter Gatherers to Farmers

Lots of exciting activities have been planned as part of these topics, so we are sure that all children will continue to enjoy their learning.

**Change of Contact Numbers**

Could we please ask that if your contact details change you inform Mrs Armstrong as soon as possible. This is important so that we are able to contact you in an emergency

We have had a number of Data Information Sheets returned with new contact numbers on them.

This Year we would like to invite you to a class assembly each term. The assembly will begin at 9.05 and will be led by the class.

Dates for this term:

**Eagles – November 12th**

**Bears – November 18th**

**Dragons – Noember 25th**

As usual parents are invited to the last achievement assembly (last Friday) of every month and these assemblies begin at 3.10pm.



50 Club

During the last achievement assembly of every month we have a 50 Club draw with three cash prizes, including a top prize of £8. Winners of our summer draw can take home over £30! Numbers cost £11 per year and can be purchased from members of FOALS or Mrs Armstrong.

**Dates for your Diary**

**5th Oct 2.15pm Harvest Festival, St Johns Leeming**

**9th Oct Red, White & Blue Day**

**15th Oct 6pm Bedale High School Open Evening for Year 6 pupils & parents**

**19th Oct Trip to Rugby Club**

**21st Oct am photographer in school**

**22nd Oct Talk by Fire Service**

**23rd Oct 3.10pm Achievement Assembly for parents**

**23rd Oct 3.30pm Half Term begins**

**2nd Nov Children return to school**