



# GOODBYE

As always the end of the summer term is a sad time as we say goodbye to pupils and staff. We have six Y6 pupils leaving us today; Kirsty Bowes is going to Outwood Academy in Ripon; Ashley Smith Hazelton, George Nicholson, Polly Stones and Kayleigh McTavey are going to Bedale High and Ayden Gotts is going to SFX. Kyra Jones has recently moved house to Bedale and will join Bedale Primary in September. We wish them the very best of luck in their new schools and hope they will keep in touch. We also say goodbye to four members of staff. Mrs Dunning leaves us to spend more time with her family; Mrs Millman is starting a new full time position at Hackforth and Hornby Church of England Primary School and Mrs Anwar will be working in a sales support role for a company in Pateley Bridge. We thank them all for their hard work and contribution to Aiskew, Leeming Bar and wish them every success for the future. Mr Hedworth also leaves his temporary assistant headteacher position today. We thank him for supporting us over the last five months and wish him all the best in his future work in education.



### Scruton Station Trip

We went to Scruton in a little bubble train. When we got to Scruton station we met some people who were dressed up in olden day clothes. After a while we went into the station and did some activities. Some of the activities we did were: weighing objects, dressing up in Victorian clothes, writing postcards and using maps. We thought the trip was lots of fun.

By Eliah and Annabel



### Rishi Sunak (MP) Visit

On the 8<sup>th</sup> July our local MP Rushi Sunak came to our school. He came and told us lots of information about where he worked and what he does as a living. Some of our school council members took Rishi on a tour around school. Dragons, Bears and Eagles had come up with challenging questions. Before we asked Rishi our questions the whole of school council sat and had lunch with him.

By Edie Cooper and Nathan Bowes



### Imam Visit

The Imam came in and talked to us about the five pillars, charity, belief, prayer, pilgrimage and fasting. He talked about what he did in the mosque and the qur'an. We put some special perfume on our hands and then we wore some slippers. Before you touch the qur'an you have to wash your hands as a sign of respect and when you pray you have to take your shoes off and kneel on a prayer mat and you pray 5 times a day to remember God.

By Morgan and Tyler

### Headteacher End of Year Report

This year has seen much change in our class and staffing structures. The move from two to three classes has been very successful; children have been happy in their new classes and have benefitted from the narrowing of year groups and smaller class numbers. The use of specialist teachers for maths and English have also helped pupils to progress faster in these subjects. Although we have experienced a number of staffing changes this year our children have remained happy and settled. We will have a number of new teaching staff and assistants joining us in September and I have every confidence that they will play a significant part in contributing the continued improvement of the school. This year has also seen our staff and children continue to benefit from our collaboration with Burneston. Staff work closely together and learn from the best practice which exists in both schools whilst our children have enjoyed their joint writing workshop and their joint residential to Bewerley Park. Our combined football team also won a Y3/4 football competition. Pupils have enjoyed a range of different visitors who have visited our school this year including: Rishi Sunak, an Imam and Voice Matters (singing group). Following Rishi Sunak visit it was reported back to us by Malcolm Warne (previous editor of the D&S) that Rishi felt that the children of Aiskew, Leeming Bar were the most engaged pupils of any school he had visited. Next year we will be particularly focusing on the quality of provision in Early Years, writing at KS1 and maths across the school ensuring that all children make good progress and that even better outcomes are achieved.

### Summer Fayre

Thank you to everyone who helped at our summer fair last Friday, particularly the children who ran games, parents and members of FOALS who offered their support and Angela Bowes who coordinated the whole event. It was a lovely occasion and the warm sunshine was certainly a bonus. Thank you to everyone who came along and spent their money. I am delighted to inform you that £450 was raised which is a wonderful effort.