

Melsonby Methodist Primary School Newsletter



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Friends Easter Coffee Morning

Thank you to everyone who popped in for cake and coffee at our Easter Coffee Morning last Thursday. The hall was bustling with conversation, coffee and delicious cakes and bakes. It was lovely to see so many parents, carers and members of the community in school. An amazing £503.15 was raised and this will be used to purchase some new reading books.

A big thank you to our hardworking Friends of the School for organising another enjoyable event and also to the Black Bull for their support in selling tickets for our Easter Egg raffle.



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Wensleydale Brass Band Competition

The school brass band took part in The Wensleydale Tournament of Song in Leyburn On Thursday, last week, and we are very proud to announce that they won their class! They have been working incredibly hard and this showed in their brilliant performance. Well done everyone!

Go to richmondshiretoday.co.uk or our Facebook page to see the feature!



Whole School Choir in competition at Wensleydale

The competition was attended again on Friday 5th April. This time it was the whole school choir with 20 children between the ages of 5 and 11 taking part. They entered three classes-Union song, Unaccompanied Round and two-part Harmony Song. The children sang wonderfully and won the Unison category with distinction having competed against 11 other schools. In the other categories, they came a very respectable 2nd place achieving distinctions in both categories. Overall, the school came joint first winning the Margery Burrill trophy for the school with the most points. The school would like to thank Chris Denton, Lesley Black and John Blenkiron for supporting the children with their rehearsals.



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Archery Day



On Tuesday, it was archery day so we had to go in our coats because it was cold and windy. In assembly, the man told us that the arrows were the most common weapon in the Saxon times. He told us lots of gruesome history.

We all had a go, but I wasn't very good at first. You have to pull the sting to the corner of your mouth with 3 fingers. At first, I hit the ground because I pulled it only as far as my shoulder. I got better as the time went on. We had a competition but a boy from the other school won. **By Tom**



On Tuesday, it was archery day. I was playing as a pirate. We had a fun time jumping from raft to raft to get all of the pirates to the opposite end of the room. We only had two rafts for the whole group so we had to move them. After lunch, we played a "Walk the plank" game that consisted of throwing beanbags from a short wooden bench into some little plastic hoops, which was pretty hard. Finally, our last game was rearranging our

teams. We had to all stand on the bench and then change position without leaving the bench. Overall, I had a good time. My favourite part was the raft game. **By Aaron**

The year 4's, 5's and 6's did ceilidh dancing which comes from Scotland. Mrs Simpson taught us two different dances they are very fast and made us feel really hot! We



had to get into pairs, a girl and a boy had to go together-most people were sensible! We all got muddled at the start, some of the moves were challenging but in the end we got the hang of it and we all had great fun. **By Bethany**

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Community Easter Community Lunch

On Thursday, we were treated to yet another fantastic Community Lunch. The food, as always, was delicious and expertly prepared by our school cook, Sarah. Thank you to all who attended and thank you to Sarah for preparing yet another superb meal.



Dancing For All



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Dates:
Wednesdays:
05.06.19
12.06.19
19.06.19
26.06.19
03.07.19
10.07.19

Time: 5.30pm—6.30pm

Venue: Richmond School
Darlington Road
Richmond
North Yorkshire
DL10 7BQ

Audience: Personalised lessons for all abilities

Standard price:
£20 / pupil

To book your place please register via our website:
www.yesatrichmondschool.net/Training-Events
or email
yes@richmondschool.net

In conjunction with the Big Lottery Fund and Aspire Dance by Victoria Sellers, YES @ Richmond School are hosting a 6-week dance and theatre project, designed for all abilities.

The aims are:

- To bring children of all ages and abilities together in a creative exploration of dance themes.
- To provide an opportunity for expression and individuality through dance.

If you are aged between 5 and 15 and LOVE TO DANCE, this is a project that you will enjoy. We will explore a variety of starting points for dance and through creative movement workshops and physical development of skills, we will create a final work for camera.

Workshop size is limited to 25.
Closing date for bookings: 30th April 2019

Training led by:
Victoria Sellers—ASPIRE Dance in Education
Victoria has 20 years experience teaching dance across all ages in schools. She taught and examined dance at advanced level qualification but more recently has chosen to concentrate her teaching within the primary schools with the aim to build creativity and boost learning and self-confidence through dance. Aspire Dance is her new company, coming into its second year soon, with classes focused in creative contemporary dance.



Cancellations/Refunds
Cancellations of training events are subject to a 20% administration fee where the cancellation is made 2 weeks or more before the date of the event. No refund is payable for a cancellation made within 2 weeks prior to the training course - in this event the full sum shown on the invoice remains payable.

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Forest School

Forest School continues next half term for Years 3, 4, and 5 and will take place on Thursday 2nd, 9th 16th May. Year 6 will begin their sessions week beginning 3rd June.

Dates for Diaries

Celebration Assembly every Friday at 3.10pm - everyone welcome

Monday 15th April - Easter holidays

Monday 29th April - Staff training day

Tuesday 30th April - School re-opens

Monday 6th May - May Day holiday

Monday 13th May - KS.2 SATS Week

Friday 17th May - Class photographs with Richard of Impressions

Monday 20th May - Tag Rugby with Mowden Park starts (KS2)

Thursday 23rd May - Whole school trip to Marrick Priory

Friday 24th May - Summer half term break

Monday 3rd June - School re-opens

