

# Newsletter



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## Head Teacher's Awards

**Florence**

### Stars of the Week

**Nancy Isabelle Levi  
Ava Herbie Laila**

### Value of the Week

**Charlie R Etta Elliot  
Alfie Halle-Rae Leela**

### Writer of the Week

**Pippa**

### **A message from Mrs Wood**

The term is well underway and I have spent some time in classrooms, talking to children and looking at books. I have been impressed with how much learning the children have already completed, particularly in Maths. It is great to see children demonstrating growth mindsets in their learning, recognising the importance of a positive approach, resilience and perseverance. This is a key focus within school.

We will be holding our first parent/ carer information session of the academic year on Tuesday 30th September. This is aimed at parents of children in Reception and will focus upon explaining our approach to teaching phonics and early reading, and early Maths.

If you do have any questions about any aspect of your child's learning, please do contact their class teacher. We are planning on holding a range of parent/ carer information sessions this academic year on areas including metacognition, reading and mastery maths. If there are any other areas of learning that you feel it would be useful to run sessions on, please do let us know via [admin@masham.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@masham.n-yorks.sch.uk).

Suggestions are welcome.

We have received some positive feedback about our new look newsletter which will be sent once a fortnight. If you have any suggestions regarding anything else it would be helpful to include in these, please do let us know. We are looking at other ways of developing/ improving communication; again suggestions welcome.

Saturday 27th Sept - Bishop Blaize Parade at Sheep Fair @ 1.45pm at Maple Creek

Sunday 28th Sept - Bishop Blaize Parade at Sheep Fair @ 1.45pm at Maple Creek

Tuesday 30th Sept - Reception Parents Phonics/Early Reading & Maths Meeting @ 3pm

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct - Cross Country Y3-6 at Richmond School, details TBC

Thursday 23rd October - Flu Immunisations

Thursday 23rd October - Last day of Autumn 1 half term.

Friday 24th October - Teacher Training Day—school closed to pupils

Monday 3rd November - School re-opens after Half Term



## Swinney Class



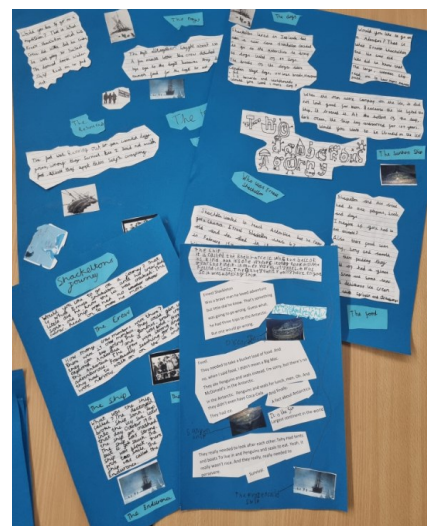
Years 1 and 2 have been busy learning about keeping their teeth healthy as part of our Science work on the human body. They particularly liked this tooth cleaning song and asked if we could share it with parents to use at home!

<https://youtu.be/CmZp1wdJAw4?feature=shared>



## Burn Class

We've had a very busy and exciting time in class! We've been making colourful craft apples to display in church for the Sheep Fair and Harvest celebrations – they look amazing! We've also been learning all about Antarctica and were surprised to find out that no one actually lives there all the time. As part of our learning, we've been discovering more about Ernest Shackleton's incredible journey to the icy continent. We are now working hard on our information texts and can't wait to share them with our parents soon. Alongside all of this, we've been practising our times tables every day and are getting better and better at them.



## Cover Class



Cover Class have been working hard this week writing a diary entry from the point of view of the three little pigs. There was some brilliant writing, but we were most proud of the children's great attitudes towards redrafting their work. We've also made some super art ready for the sheep fair. We made our pieces individually before combining them into a class piece of art, showing that when we work on our own we can create something wonderful, but it becomes something even better when we work together!

## House Points

### House Point Weekly Totals

	Penguins Blue	Lions Green	Owls Red	Elephants Yellow
19.09.25	31	32	29	31
26.09.25	31	33	36	38

### Autumn Term Running Totals

Penguins	118
Lions	132
Owl	124
Elephants	114

## Local Information



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## Safeguarding



This week we have completed our termly fire drills on both sites. We were very impressed with how the children responded, in particular the younger children who have joined us in Reception. All of the children were super sensible and calm, and were able to explain why we have these drills, why it is important to stay calm and listen to instructions. It is recommended that parents/ carers discuss with their children what they would do at home if there was a fire.