



## ESCRICK CE PRIMARY SCHOOL SPRING TERM NEWSLETTER

22<sup>nd</sup> April 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Headteacher Certificates: Well done to the following children who have received the Headteacher certificates this week.**

**Reception – Alex F** for great resilience and perseverance with his maths

**Year 1 – Leo** for always working hard, and in particular, he has done some super work on place value to 100 over this past week.

**Year 2 – Olivia** for super efforts in all of her subjects all of the time, thank you.

**Year 3 – Arthur B** for showing brilliant enthusiasm for our Ancient Greeks.

**Year 4 – Charlotte** for working hard and always being willing to offer to help others.

**Year 5 – Ruby** for completing some super additional work, at home, on the life cycle of a flower. Fantastic effort in preparation of the new topic. Well done.

**Year 6 – Evie P** for outstanding progress in maths.

**Headteacher Award** for Kirsty as she found out last week that she has passed her level 3 forest school leader training! She worked so hard on her training days, practical assessments and coursework and we would like to congratulate her on this success. Thank you for all your hard work and also to PTA for funding her course!

Well done to **Ouse** for getting the most team points last week.

### **Congratulations – Silver Healthy Schools Award**

We are thrilled to announce that Escrick Primary School has been awarded 'Silver' for the North Yorkshire Healthy Schools Award! This upgrade from Bronze is a testament to our commitment as a whole school community to promoting active and healthy lifestyles among our students. Achieving the Silver award required showcasing evidence of our progressive PSHE curriculum, initiatives for staff and children's mental health and well-being, promotion of active lives, and our dedication to providing comprehensive food education and nutritious meals at school. This achievement wouldn't have been possible without the collective effort of our staff, students, parents, and wider community. We all play a crucial role in making our school a healthier and happier environment for everyone. We are immensely proud of this achievement and are motivated to continue striving towards the Gold award in the future.

### **GO GREEN! for mental health week**

*This is a message from the wellbeing group for your child/children to wear **green** on Friday the 17th of May. If you do not have a fully **green** outfit don't go rushing to grab your purse or wallet from your kitchen.*

*Your child/children could just wear anything **green** this could include a **green** hair scrunchie, a **green** T-shirt or even **green** socks.*

*Also, for this day please could we ask you to donate at least £1 online at [mentalhealth.org.uk/donate](https://mentalhealth.org.uk/donate).*

*Many thanks!*

*From,*

*Beth Reader, Florence Ward and the rest of the wellbeing group*

### **1,2,3,4 We Declare a Penny War!**

After one week the Penny Wars scores are in:

Reception **330 points**; Year 1 **604 points**; Year 2 **351 points**; Year 3 **minus 37 points**; Year 4 **minus 849 points**; Year 5 **minus 2603 points** and Year 6 **269 points**.

The competition is very exciting and some classes are getting a game strategy together! Just a reminder of the rules.

- Each class will have a large jar which can only have money added to it and not removed. The containers will be in the hall.
- Children can bring pennies to school and put them in the container that belongs to their class. The class receives one point for every penny in the container.

However, it gets more complicated – Children may sabotage the other classes by putting silver coins into their jars. Any silver coins put in the container will deduct points for that class, 5p is worth five points and so on.

The class with the highest number of points will win a whole class treat!

So, fill the jar as quickly as possible preventing others from sabotaging your class and get those pennies ready for war!

**Reading** – As you are aware we are able to monitor any reading that the Reception and Year 1 children do online with their Collins eBooks. Looking at the data we are a little concerned that 44% of Reception children and 51% of Year 1 children have not read an eBook, matched to their own phonic assessment, since the beginning of April. Whilst we appreciate that the online reading materials are not ideal, it is the platform that we use for home reading and would appreciate you logging on to read with your child. We are currently fundraising so that we can purchase some books to supplement the online materials.

### **Calendar and Diary Dates**

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April at 2.15pm – Parent Forum meeting

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April – Year 1 and Reception Parents welcome to attend Celebration Assembly at 9am

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April – Whole school cricket day (Sessions for each class over the course of the day).

Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> April - 5/6 netball match at North Duffield – letters will be sent to the relevant children

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Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> May - 3/4 netball match here – letters to be sent to the relevant children

Mon 13<sup>th</sup> – Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> inc – Year 6 SATs week

With very best wishes,

Miss Emma E Miller

**‘Every person is an individual and also part of a community’**

1 Corinthians 12:12-27

***Safeguarding children*** – if you have any concerns for the welfare of a child please contact Miss Miller or Mr Broxup (if in school hours) or alternatively the NYCC safeguarding team can be contacted via this link <https://www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk/about-us/worried-about-a-child/>

***Respecting staff*** – our staff are dedicated professionals. We will not accept any abuse towards our staff.