

Friday 14th January 2022- Newsletter 15

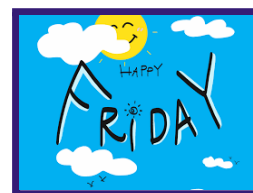
## A message from Miss Towler...

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well, it has certainly been a busy week in school with lots of exciting learning going on. Team Saturn loved their first swimming session and they were superstars showing great resilience and model behaviour as always! Key Stage One and Two enjoyed their visit from Mr Firth from Tadcaster Historical Society who talked with passion about the history of Tadcaster. There certainly were some gasps when the children looked at photographs from old Tadcaster and saw how much it had changed. In Team Venus the children have loved learning about penguins and the amazement on their faces was a real picture when they spotted the frozen penguins in their class!

My personal highlight this week was when Gail Brown, CEO for Ebor Academy Trust, joined us to see how we were getting on in school. She also had a very special job as she delivered a Long Service Award to the wonderful Mrs Crook. After 20 years of commitment to education she really did deserve the certificate and gift she received. Check out the pictures on Twitter. I have told Mrs Crook she is definitely 'trending' and has been 'liked' more than any of our other Tweets!

Best wishes,  
Caroline Towler, Headteacher



## Our school attendance this week is:

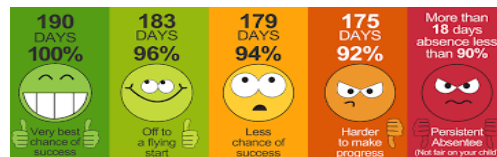
Our school attendance target is 97%.

This week's whole school attendance is: 95.86%

Top team attendance is Jupiter: 99.00% :) )

Venus Reception: 98.75% Neptune: 96.15% Saturn: 90.87%

\*As Government guidance states, your child's attendance is compulsory in school and unless they are unwell or isolating; we ask that you ensure they are in school, on time, every day.



## Reading Logs

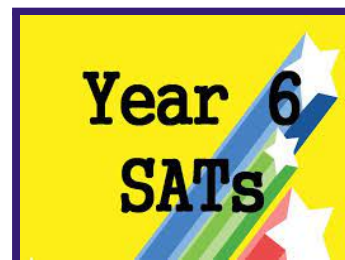
Please can we ask that you listen to your child read regularly and add a comment in their Reading Log. This year we invested in the new Reading Logs to encourage children to share what they love about books and authors but also to celebrate when they have read at home with an adult.

Thank you to all those parents and carers who fill these in regularly.



## Year 6 SATs Parents Information Meeting

We will be hosting a Year 6 SATs Parent Information Meeting on Wednesday 19th January at 5.30pm. The meeting will be an opportunity to discuss what Year 6 SAT testing will look like. We will hold the meeting online on Zoom. Please look out for the letter on ParentHub that was sent out to all Year 6 families today.



## UPDATED: Dates for your diary for the coming weeks

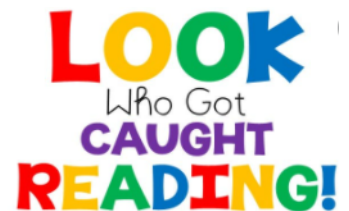
Please see dates for this term's diary. We will always try to give you as much notice as possible if circumstances mean that dates need amending.

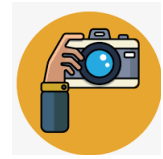
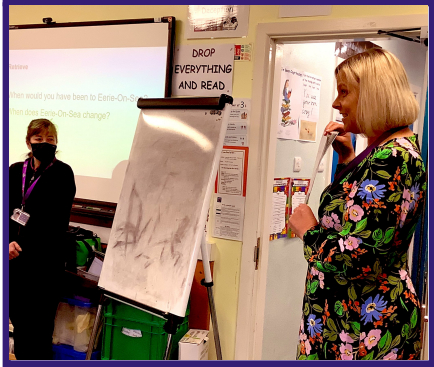


Dates	What's happening at TPA?
Tuesday 18th January	Team Saturn Swimming Session at Tadcaster Swimming Pool
	York Dance Space Dance sessions in PE for Team Neptune and Team Jupiter
	Extra Curricular Dance Club for KS1 and KS2 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Wednesday 19th January	Y6 SATs parent and carer information evening at 5.30pm with Mr Sands and Miss Towler - more details sent via ParentHub.
	Extra Curricular KS1 Music Club with Mrs Oldfield 3.30pm - 4.30pm Extra Curricular KS2 Art Club with Mrs Brooke 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Thursday 20th January	Team Neptune Children's Society visit - Team Neptune will be learning this week about how we can keep safe online.
	Extra Curricular Drama Club for KS2 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Friday 21st January	Team Jupiter trip to Tadcaster library
Monday 14th February - Friday 18th February	Whole school learning through week celebrating diversity: <i>Beautifully Different, Wonderfully the Same</i>
Friday 18th February	Break up for half term
Monday 28th February	Return to school
Tuesday 29th February	Team Saturn Swimming Session at Tadcaster Swimming Pool
Friday 11th March	Training Day - school closed to pupils
Friday 18th March	Comic Relief
Friday 8th April	Break up for Easter Holidays
Monday 25th April	Return to school
Monday 9th May - Friday 13th May	Y6 SATs week - Please do not arrange appointments or holidays during this week for any Y6 pupils.

### Get Caught Reading! (in school and at home)

This term we are really promoting the love of reading and have started a new initiative in school called, 'Get Caught Reading!' We are encouraging children to get stuck into a good book and read whenever they feel like it! We are offering raffle tickets to children who are caught reading in school and then their name could be chosen in assembly every fortnight. If a child's raffle ticket is chosen they will be given a wonderful new book to keep for themselves. To encourage children to read at home as well we will ask you to add pictures of children getting caught reading at home to Twitter. Please use #getcaughtreading when you add your child's photo to Twitter and link in @TadPrimaryAcad. We are hoping the children will be caught in some weird and wonderful places!! Children will then earn extra raffle tickets for reading at home. Reading is such an important life skill and we really want to encourage our children to be lifelong readers with a passion for getting their head stuck in a book, entering wonderful and exciting worlds!





A snapshot of our learning this week!



Twitter at TPA

Please click on the link below to see if your child is appearing on Twitter right now!

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