

Weekly Wrap-up

Friday 13th February 2026



Important Info

Week commencing 23.02.26 - Menu Week 3

Year 2 trip to Scarborough Castle - please see the letter in the announcement section of the MCAS app regarding the upcoming trip.

Please [click here](#) to find out this year's WORLD BOOK DAY theme.

We will be welcoming the book fair back to school from 25th to 27th February. Parents will be invited to look around the book fair with their child after school. More details to follow.



Diary Dates

Dates For Your Calendar

Spring Term

For the future

- 23.02.26 School re-opens
- 24.02.26 5S Swimming Lesson
- 24.02.26-27.02.26 Scholastic Book Fair
- 26.02.26 Y2 Visit to Scarborough Castle
- 03.03.26 5S Swimming Lesson
- 05.03.26 World Book Day



Please ensure all dinner accounts are settled before our return on 23rd February. Thank you.



update from the head

Hello everyone,



I sit here at a very wet but wonderful Dallowgill, with Class 4GR. Year 4 have enjoyed many memorable moments whilst on residential, this week. I love going on residential and seeing the children thrive. They have been such a good team and have supported their friends with any activity they have been a part of. A massive thank you to the staff who have given up their own time to care for the children. It is very much appreciated!

I am very excited to arrive back in school tomorrow and be a part of the skipping activities going on across school.

Building on the massive success of the book fair last year, we will be hosting another in the first week back. Every book purchased will add to a fund that the school will receive. These funds will then be spent on books that the children want to read and have in our school/class libraries.

I hope you all have a relaxing half term holiday and I very much look forward to welcoming you all back for another fantastic half term.

Thank you, as ever, for your incredible support.

Mr Wriglesworth

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Class OCS & OS

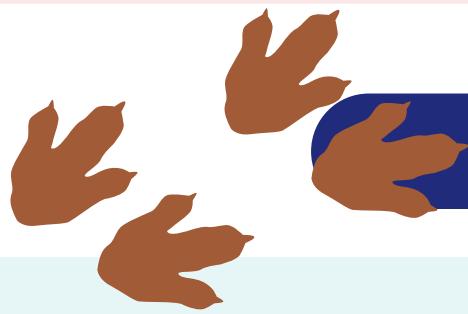
We have had another busy week in EY!

Our focus on the story of the Gingerbread Man has culminated in a retelling with our own hero, setting and villain. The children represented their ideas within a story map before orally composing the entire story for the adults to record. There has been some fantastic story telling language used by the children.

In mathematics we have been consolidating our understanding of numbers to 10, finding one more and one less than amounts and representing them in different ways. The children enjoyed using new resources to support their learning and have been excellent in using concrete objects to help them.

On Thursday and Friday, we looked at the topic of love after children showed an interest in valentines day. We have been enjoying different crafts and exploring what love means to us and how it can be shown.

LOVE



Year 1

Class 1A & 1M

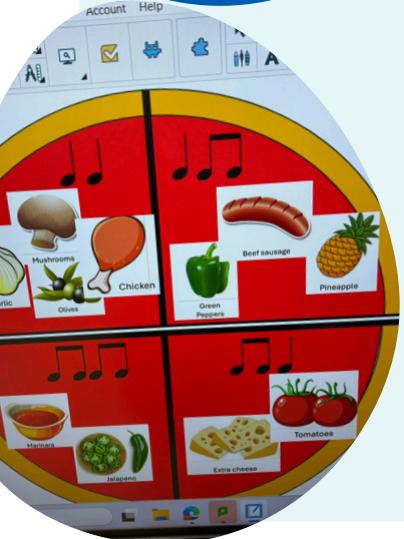
What a great end to the half term this week has been!

In music the children have been 'music investigators'. Using a 'rhythm pizza' they were able to place the pizza toppings into the correct section of the pizza using syllabic rhythms.

In art, the children made a printing block from plasticine and moulded it into the shape of a dinosaur footprint using clay tools. Using colours inspired by the artwork of Joan Miró, the children made a repeating pattern of dinosaur footprints in wavy, zig-zag and circular patterns.

In maths, the children have been using Base 10 to partition 2-digit numbers into tens and ones and have been practising making number bonds to 8 and 9 with multilink cubes.

We hope you have a restful break and look forward to seeing you all after the half-term break.



2CM have celebrated their third attendance reward with cake and storytime this afternoon!

Class 2CM & 2S

We have had a fab week! In music we enjoyed putting our knowledge of rhythm and beat into practice when using the percussion instruments. We read the musical notation and worked well together to perform rhythms in time to Strauss' march music, it sounded amazing!

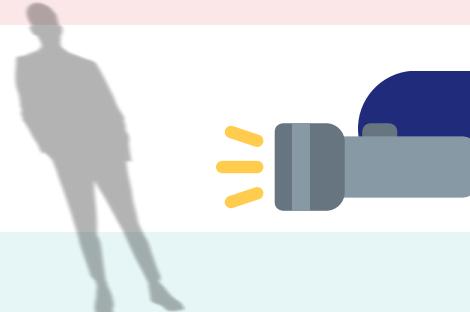
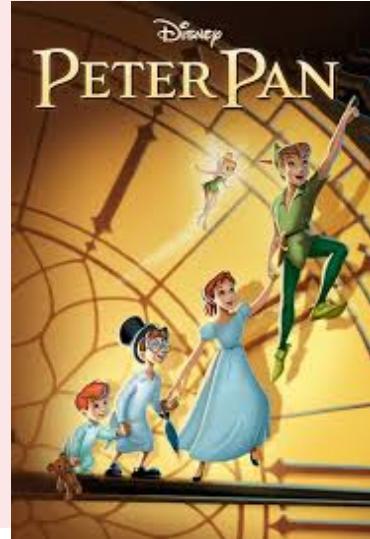


We finished our weaving in art and have produced some fantastic flowers using wool, inspired by the work of Michael Crompton.

In PE we consolidated our learning on team building and had some intense competitions racing against other teams to see who worked the most effectively together!

In writing we have written our own innovations based on the Peter Pan story and in maths we have continued learning about money, adding pence/pounds together and matching amounts.

Enjoy a well deserved break Year 2, we look forward to seeing you all again after half term!



Year 3

Class 3M & 3S

Year 3 have had another busy and productive week!

In Science, the children have been learning about light and shadows. They explored what is needed to create a shadow and investigated how to make shadows larger, smaller, lighter and darker by changing the position of the light source. The children really enjoyed making shadow puppets and experimenting with hand shadows.



In Maths, we have been focusing on money. The children have found this topic challenging at times, but they have shown great perseverance. We have been using fake coins and notes to practise recognising the difference between pounds and pence and partitioning amounts on the table to support their understanding.



In PE, the children have been developing their jumping skills and practising forward rolls. They have worked hard on their balance and control and have had lots of fun building their confidence.



Year 4

Class 4GR & 4SR

Wow! What a week! We couldn't be prouder of all of the children. They have taken on new challenges, some with gritted teeth and others with grins from ear to ear but all pushing themselves out of their comfort zones to try something new and exciting.

There are so many highlights: Brimham rocks, fire pit and s'mores, the storyteller, den building, woodland walks, movie night, bingo, Gerald (the frog), flamingo poses with wet boots, hanging out like a sloth.

Memories made with their friends and peers to add to their primary school journey that will last a lifetime.

Thanks for being amazing Year 4!

4SR have won their third attendance reward and have celebrated by having a talent show this afternoon!



Year 5

Class 5BW & 5S

Another end to a great half term for Year 5!

They have been super scientists all half term and concluded their learning with an experiment into different soil samples, recording their observations on texture, colour and size of grains before adding water and sugar into the samples to look for signs of life! Lots of conversations were had around keeping it a fair test by keeping the water and the sugar added the same.

In Writing, they have written their Hot task on instructions, using lots of the grammar they have studied including imperative (bossy verbs), bullet points and temporal conjunctions. They have worked hard to ensure they are clear and concise. I wonder if they could continue to explore instructions with recipes at home over half term?

It was a landslide of victories for Year 5 for their times tables this half term with 5BW winning the Emile MTC cup and 5S winning NSPCC Rocks: it would be great if children could continue to login to TT Rockstars at home to improve their fluency.

And finally, the children enjoyed a session of skipping on Friday to honour the Scarborough tradition next Tuesday. We hope they all come back feeling well-rested after a lovely half term holiday.



Year 6



Another brilliant week to end the half term!

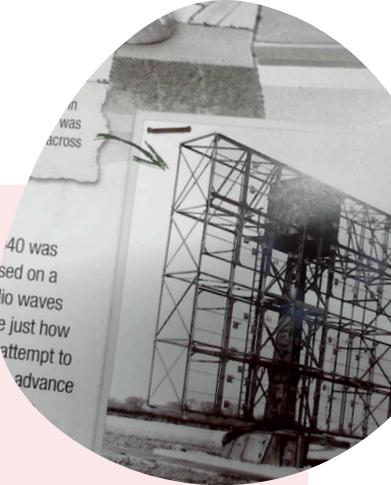
We have finished our yoga unit in PE by practicing lots of different yoga positions, trying to hold them still and keep our bodies balanced.

In history the children have discovered that the Battle of Britain was a huge turning point during the war. They have debated the main reasons for this and most feel that the introduction of radar to support the pilots was the most important factor that allowed this to happen.

The Boy in Striped Pyjamas has had us investigating the different roles of the characters and understanding their jobs including commandants, maids and lieutenants. We are using the information we have read to answer some questions about this.

Finally, the children have been skipping on Friday to honour the Scarborough skipping tradition for Shrove Tuesday!

We hope they all have a restful half term and we can't wait to see them back!



Attendance



Attendance matters.

Coming to school on time, every day is vital to achieving the best possible outcomes as well as learning good habits which will benefit everyone in the future. Below is this week's attendance.

EYFS

Ms Stanley	98.3%
Miss Scott	91.7%

Year 4

Mrs Gortzak / Mrs Rowe	98%
Mrs Smith / Mrs Rowe	100%

Year 1

Mrs Allenby	99.3%
Mrs Tipple / Mrs McGuinness	94.1%

Year 5

Mr Bates / Mrs Winspear	90.7%
Mrs Sutton	91.4%

Year 2

Mrs Clayton / Mrs McGuinness	93.6%
Mrs Stubbings	96%

Year 6

Mr Bolton	93.3%
Mrs O'Keeffe	92.7%

Year 3

Mrs Murphy	98.3%
Miss Scuffham	98.9%

Week 6 attendance winners

Congratulations to Mrs Smith and Mrs Rowe's Class



Our theme this year is...

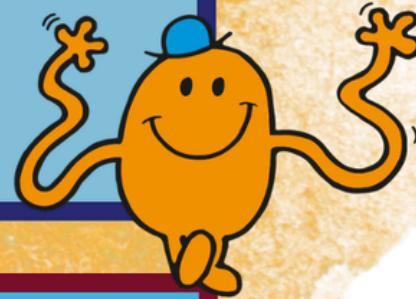
MR. MEN and LITTLE MISS.

This World Book Day all pupils are encouraged to dress up as their favourite Mr Men or Little Miss character for the day.

We hope everyone will join school staff in dressing as a Mr. Men or Little Miss character but those who don't want to are welcome to come dressed as their favourite book character instead.

Pupils who do not wish to come dressed up for World Book Day should come to school in their school uniform.

World Book Day is NOT a casual clothes day.



Scholastic Book Fair 24-27th February

We are delighted to be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair in school
from Tuesday 24th - Friday 27th

All pupils will have an opportunity to visit the Book Fair during school to look through the books and create a 'wish list' to bring home. You can then choose to order some or all of these books by returning your order form to school.

We invite parents and carers to come into school with their child(ren) to visit the book fair and order any books. There will be two viewing sessions available:
KS1 (EYFS, Y1 and Y2) from 3:10pm on Wednesday 25th February
KS2 (Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6) from 3:10pm on Thursday 26th February

A percentage of all funds raised by the sale of books is given back to school and will be used to refresh and update our reading corners and library books.



"THE MORE THAT YOU READ, THE MORE THINGS YOU WILL KNOW, THE MORE YOU LEARN THE MORE PLACES YOU'LL GO" - Dr. Seuss

Other News

NSPCC Number Day Results

Results of the whole school challenge (children had to find as many numbers between 1-100 that different people were wearing around school). Below are how many numbers each class found (that took part):

1st Place: Class 5S: 52

2nd Place: Class 4GR: 42

3rd Place: Class 3S: 37

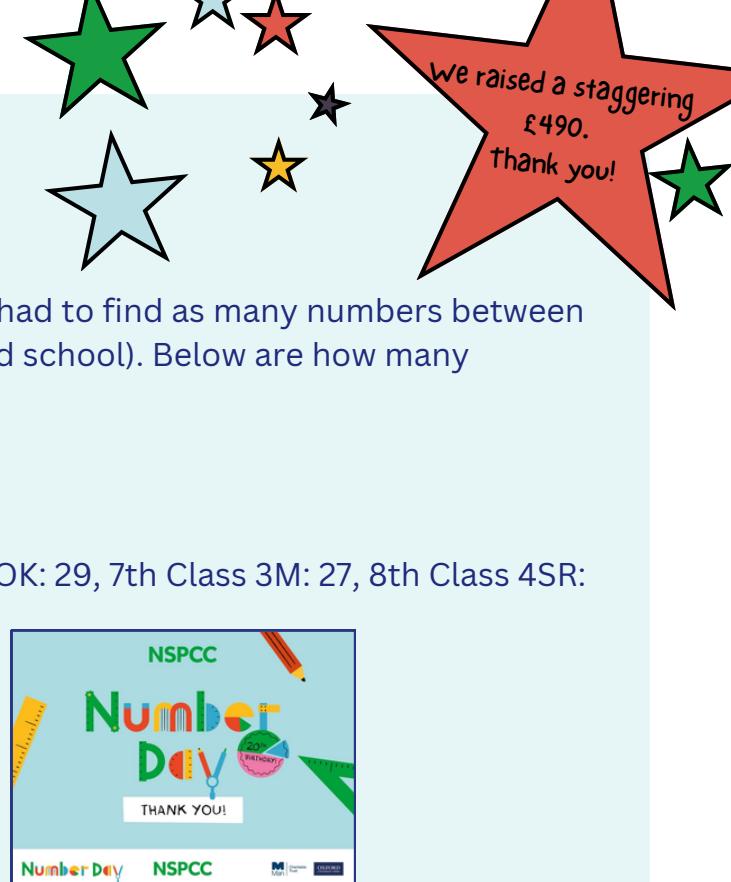
4th Class 1A: 33, 5th Class 5BW: 30, 6th Class 6OK: 29, 7th Class 3M: 27, 8th Class 4SR: 26, 9th Class 2C: 23, 10th Class 6B: 20

Class winner of MTC cup on Emile: 5BW

Pupil winner: Sidney (4SR)

NSPCC Rocks Highest scoring class: 5S

NSPCC Rocks Most valuable player: Lois (5S)



Dallowgill

Y4 pupils enjoyed their residential visit to Dallowgill this week. We are excited to share news and images from the visit on our website after half term.

safeguarding

Ensuring our pupils are safe and well looked after is our key priority.



Sarah Tipple

Assistant Headteacher
Designated Safeguarding Lead

Helen Wardman

Inclusion Manager,
Deputy Safeguarding Lead

Tom Wriglesworth **Rebecca McGuinness**

Headteacher,
Deputy Safeguarding Lead

Class Teacher/
SENDCO
Deputy
Safeguarding Lead

All staff have received Safeguarding training to ensure that they can recognise signs and symptoms of abuse and also how to report/act if a disclosure is made.

Concerns about the safety or welfare of a child? **Contact us:** 01723 365686

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