



## Headteacher's Introduction

It has certainly been a warm, sunny week and it has been wonderful to see all of the outdoor learning that has been taking place this week. Our Planet Protectors have been out and about at play and lunchtimes making sure we are all looking after the environment by using our new litter pickers. These have caused much excitement and the children are loving using them. A big thank you to Mr Holland who has very kindly provided the funds for us to purchase fourteen litter pickers. Our next project will be focusing on compost bins and we will be able to share further information shortly.

In other school news, we were awarded a Food Hygiene Rating of 5 (very good) by City of York Council. The Environmental Health Officer examines and assesses the kind of food being handled, the cleanliness and how hygiene standard are being upheld amongst many other things. We are obviously really pleased with this and it shows just what a fabulous job our kitchen team do every day.



I hope you all enjoy a lovely weekend.

Mrs Innes

## Sports Day - Key Information

Next week is a busy week of sports which we are really looking forward to and further to the earlier correspondence, here are the key messages

- We are aiming for all sport mornings to begin at 9.15 and will endeavour to start by this time but please bear with us if we are not quite ready by this time!
- Children can come to school on the day of their sports morning in their PE kit and a t-shirt in the colour of their house team.
- Children will need a water bottle and sun hat.
- Please head down to the marked track which is at the bottom of the school. The children will be sitting on the forest school side of the track so all spectators should stand on the side closest to the school building. It will be very helpful if all spectators can remain at this side of the track to enable to staff to organise the children for their various races. Thank you!



In very exciting news, we will have a visit from the ice cream van on the afternoon of every sports morning! Children will be able to choose from a Mr Whippy ice cream, a gluten free ice cream tub or a space runner ice lolly and enjoy this on the school field with their class. This has been funded by the Friends of Hempland and through the money raised at events held this year. A big thank you to the Friends and to all of you for your support in making this possible.

Please speak to your child's class teacher or email the school office should your child have an allergy so we can cater for this.

## Phase News

### Early Years & Key Stage 1 (Year 1&2)

**Early Years** had their 'Ugly Bug Ball' this week. All the children dressed up in magnificent costumes and had great fun playing parachute games in forest school, painting minibeast pebbles as well as keeping an eye on their caterpillars as they prepare to change!



**Year 1** have really enjoyed listening to the story 'How to catch a star' by Oliver Jeffers. The children have ordered the key events of the story before having a go at being authors and rewriting the story.

**Year 2** have been working really hard on researching different habitats. During Literacy, they have found out facts about habitats using books, encyclopaedias, ipads and magazine articles, ready to write their own non-chronological reports about habitats next week!

## Lower Key Stage 2 (Year 3&4)

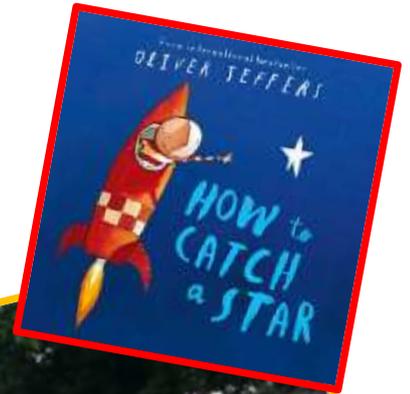
**Year 3** have been making the most of the warm weather and took the opportunity to enjoy reading for pleasure and sharing their books outside under the shade of a tree.

**Year 4** have been working hard on writing a quest story. They have applied lots of techniques to ensure that their story is exciting to read and they are very entertaining!

## Upper Key Stage 2 (Year 5&6)

**Year 5** started their new geography topic this week which is comparing York to a city in South Africa named East London. They located both on Google Maps and looked at satellites in order to compare the two locations in terms of human and physical features.

**Year 6** have started working on their end of year production: Alice in Wonderland. They have already been impressing us with their dedication to learning lines, their suggestions for stage directions and their enthusiasm (and volume!)



## Friends of Hempland update

The Summer Social is coming together really well and we look set to have a great fair. The sun's even forecast to shine!

Thank you so much for all the kind donations for the raffle, bottle tombola and book stall.

Friends have lots of exciting stalls and games planned as well as two different bouncy castles but at the moment don't have enough volunteers to cover everything.

Please could you help for an hour? Friends would be thrilled to hear from you, please email [Friendsofhempland@gmail.com](mailto:Friendsofhempland@gmail.com) or complete the volunteering slip which came home with your child last Friday.



## Online Safety Warning

We have been alerted to the fact that some children are aware Poppy Playtime is a horror/puzzle game which involves the player investigating an abandoned toy factory to solve the mystery of what happened.

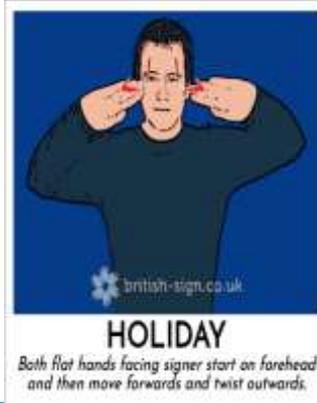
The game does not appear to have any age restrictions however the developers have recommended for players age 8+. It is available on PC via Steam and at a cost of £3.99 however there is free related content available on other platforms such as YouTube and TikTok as well as copycat versions available through Roblox and Minecraft.



The game is designed to appeal to young children, however some of the imagery may be frightening to them and the style of gameplay could increase feelings of anxiety or stress. The game isn't gory but uses child friendly toys in frightening ways which could make young children scared of things they have previously felt comfortable with. Below is a link with further information which you may find helpful.

<https://oursaferschools.co.uk/2021/12/03/poppy-playtime-online-safety-review/>

## Deaf Awareness



## Dates for next week

Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 swimming (Miss Bebbington's class)
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Early Years Sports Day 9.15-11.15
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Year 3 & 4 Sports Day 9.15-11.15
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Year 5 & 6 Sports Day 9.15—11.15
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 & 2 Sports Day 9.15-11.15 Archbishop Holgates visit to meet pupils in Year 6



## Future diary dates

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June – Year 4 swimming (Miss Bebbington's class)

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June – Year 3 visit to Yorkshire Sculpture Park

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 visit to York University for computer science workshop

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June – Early Years visit to Tropical World  
Year 6 visit to York Knights stadium

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July – Year 2 Really Wild day



## SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB

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### SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB TIMETABLE

#### MONDAY

DODGEBALL  
NETBALL  
ROUNDERS  
BENCHBALL

#### TUESDAY

DODGEBALL  
TENNIS  
TAG RUGBY  
FOOTBALL

#### WEDNESDAY

DODGEBALL  
ULTIMATE FRISBEE  
CAPTURE THE FLAG  
HANDBALL

#### THURSDAY

DODGEBALL  
FOOTBALL  
SAFE ZONE  
DANISH LONGBALL

#### FRIDAY

DODGEBALL  
BASKETBALL  
CRICKET  
OBSTACLE COURSE

**EVERYDAY AT BOTH VENUES!!!**

TIG GAMES - ARCHERY - GO KARTS - SCOOTERS - HIDE AND SEEK  
PLUS MUCH MORE !!!