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Together we are exploring our special gifts; Together we are growing towards God

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**'TOGETHER WE ARE GROWING TOWARDS GOD'**

In worship this week we focused on a reading from John's Gospel. In this reading Jesus talks about knowing his sheep and looking after them. We all try hard to follow Jesus and understand that he cares for us all, just like the shepherd does for his sheep.



Congratulations to our Year 4 children who made the sacrament of First Holy Communion on Sunday in church. The children looked absolutely wonderful on their special day and behaved impeccably throughout the Mass. And the sun shone brightly on them too! A special thank you to Mrs Heppleston for working so hard and for her dedication throughout the preparation of the children for this very special occasion.

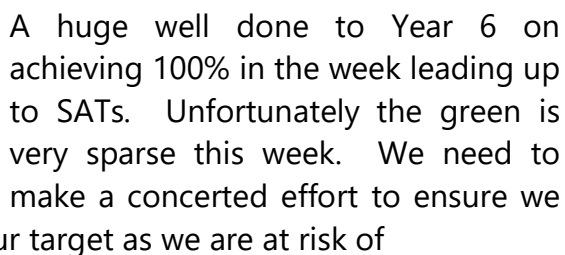


## Rosary Club

Thank you to our dedicated Mini Vinnies for preparing and leading Rosary Club last Friday. They will continue to offer this quiet moment of reflection every Friday at 12:45pm for children to participate in.

God Bless from Mr Copley and Mrs Haines.

Our Attendance Target for this year is 97%



CLASS	% ATTENDANCE w/b 06.05.19.	%ATTENDANCE this year to date
FS2	96.77	96.53
Year 1	95.97	96.57
Year 2	97.98	97.36
Year 3	97.32	97.37
Year 4	93.55	96.74
Year 5	93.15	97.16
Year 6	100%	97.38
<b>Average</b>	<b>96.39</b>	<b>97.01</b>
<b>TARGET</b>	<b>97.00%</b>	<b>97.00%</b>

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# TOGETHER WE ARE EXPLORING OUR SPECIAL GIFTS

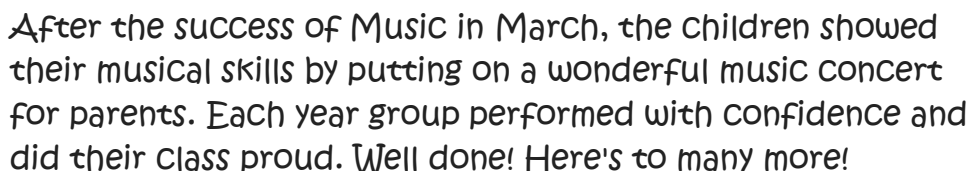





Mr Copley and Mrs Haines' Headteacher's Award was presented to Maisie Hardaker for always applying herself and trying her best in all aspects of school life.

The Big Cat Merit went to Kaitlen Horan for always trying in guided reading and gaining in confidence by volunteering to read out loud in class.

Well done to Year 1 for performing their rendition of 'An Ocean Home' at the beginning of Merit Worship last week. It was brilliant to see the children learning so many words and performing with such confidence.

As part of our Performance Poetry programme, Year 4 will be performing their chosen poem at this week's Merit Worship - 8:55am in the large hall. Year 4 parents, Carers and families are very welcome to join us.



#		Pupil
1.		Rhys Leak
2.		Finley Carroll
3.		Callum Butterfield



#	Group	Score
1.	Year 2	115,680,988
2.	Year 5	78,665,843
3.	Year 4	69,512,468
4.	Year 3	50,232,633
5.	Year 6	28,642,788
6.	Year 1	14,800,380



Here is Rose Binns with the incredible CC PA team after performing at the Wharfedale Speech and Drama festival **WINNING** their first ever group competition. Rose also achieved a merit for her very first speech poetry reading which is an amazing achievement to go on stage alone and be so clear and convey her story so beautifully!

Grace performed in the Wharfedale Performing Arts Festival reading Poetry in the Verse and Speaking Section, she came 2<sup>nd</sup>.



Joseph received parents player of the season for his football team Westwood Juniors at a presentation evening on Friday.

Lucas Heppleston was awarded manager player of the season on Saturday at Calverley U8's



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Today is Mrs Duckworth's last day before she officially begins her maternity leave. We wish her well and we will keep her in our prayers at this special time.

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### Year 6 SATs

Our wonderful Year 6 children are currently working hard on their SATs exams this week. We are very proud of each and every one of them. Keep working hard Year 6 - you can do it!

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### EYFS Chicks

Great news in EYFS - 11 chicks hatched out of 11 eggs which is the best year ever! We are weighing them every day to compare how they are growing.



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### Coming soon...!!

We are currently working on a brand new redesign of our school website. As part of this work, we are developing a new app for parents which will hopefully ensure a more smooth and clear means of communication. Watch this space...!!



After School Club

All the children from Grove House have settled in really well to our After School Club. Our children have made them feel so welcome and new friendships have been made. We now have a dedicated telephone number for After School Club if you need to ring them out of school office hours or if you are unable to get through to the office. **The number is 07562 647403. This is for contacting After School Club only.**

This week the children will be making clay stepping stones for our garden and by popular demand the children will be painting.

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Last Friday, 8 of our Year 1 children attended a workshop led by Sports UK at Holybrook Primary School all about healthy eating. The children behaved wonderfully, they listened well and gave some very impressive answers.

This Friday, 8 of our Year 6 children will be competing in a Rounders Tournament at Woodhouse Grove, also led by Sports UK. We wish them the best of luck and look forward to hearing all about it.

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Forest School

Year 1 enjoyed a very wet and rainy day at Forest School last week. It was very appropriate that the topic was den/shelter building. Hopefully the weather will be kind to them this week.



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**If you are worried or concerned about the wellbeing of any of our pupils, please ask to speak to Mr Copley, Mrs Haines, Miss Burgess or Mrs Laptew**

KS2 Netball Sports After School Club

Sports UK are holding Netball After School Club on Thursdays this term for KS2. If your child would like to take part please fill in the permission slip below and return to the school office. The Club finishes at 4.15 and parents are asked to pick up their child from the office. Thank you.



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Name of Child: ..... Class: .....

I give permission for my child to attend the Netball After School Club on Thursdays and will ensure they are picked up from the office at 4.15 pm.

Signed: ..... Date: .....