

Melsonby Methodist Primary School Newsletter

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Welcome

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to Millie Penrose who joined the school this week.

I know you will have a super time with us and that our children, staff and families will help you settle in very quickly.



Whole School Gardening Afternoon

On Wednesday afternoon the children had great fun doing a spot of gardening around the school. The Year 6 pupils had their own team to lead showing the other children how to create pots containing a selection of different plants. Other groups tackled the really important job of weeding, small stone collection, used for drainage, in the bottom of the plant pots and ensuring the bird feeders were all full. The children all had a really good-fun and hands-on time and the photographs speak for themselves. Well done everyone the school looks fantastic.



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SIAMS Inspection and Report

At the end of April we received our SIAMS inspection and I'm pleased to announce that we were graded good overall. It has taken a little longer than normal to make the inspection report public as it must be proof read and time given for any points raised by the school to be evaluated and actioned.

SIAMS inspection focuses on the effect that the Christian ethos of the church school has on the children and young people who attend it. Church schools employ a variety of strategies and styles, which reflect their particular local context or church tradition in order to be distinctive and effective.

The principal objective of SIAMS inspection is to evaluate the distinctiveness and effectiveness of the school *as a church school*.

Towards this objective, inspectors seek answers to four key questions.

- How well does the school, through its distinctive Christian character, meet the needs of all learners?
- What is the impact of collective worship on the school community?
- How effective is the Religious Education? (*in VA schools and academies*)
- How effective are the leadership and management of the school as a church school?

A copy of the inspection report can be viewed on the school website or a paper copy can be made available to you on request.

Year 6 Pupils Lead an Assembly on Being a Good Citizen

On Thursday of last week our Year 6 pupils planned and lead an assembly on 'being a good citizen'. The assembly was a success and the message was very clear. They used the 'Good Samaritan' as their chosen reading from the Bible and then linked this, via a very well-constructed PowerPoint, to identify what attributes make a good person. They then lead us all in prayer and finished the assembly with the Hymn 'Cross over the Road'. All in all it was a well thought out and presented assembly that was a real joy to attend. Well done Eleanor, Bena, Nathaniel and Kai.



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Digital Leader's Day

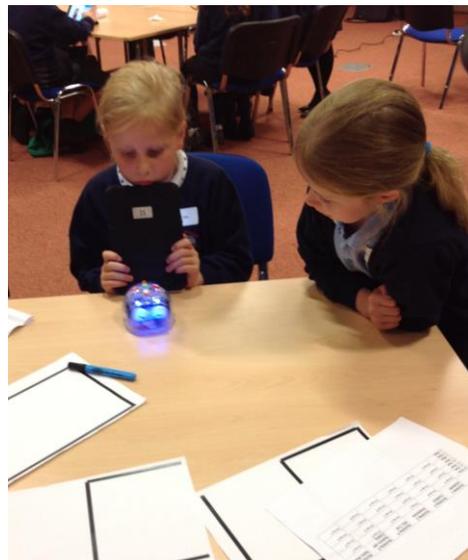
On Tuesday the 14th of June Nathaniel, Penny, Bella and I went to Catterick Leisure Centre for a Digital Leaders Day. At 9:30am we walked out of school and got into Mrs Stansfield's car to go to Catterick. About 15 minutes later we arrived at Catterick Leisure Centre. In the meeting room everything was setup. A few minutes later, a man came in and did a mini Literacy quiz with us. Then he told us what was going to happen throughout the day. After that, we were separated into our groups and started our first activities (The different groups started different activities first). Nathaniel and I were in group B and our first activity was programming CrumbleBots (Crumbots). We had to get the Crumbots to move back and forward, turn left and right while following lines.

After that Nathaniel and I did some Green Screening. We had to pretend that one of us had just won the Olympic gold medal and was being interviewed and we could use the green screens to add a photo to replace the green cloth. Nathaniel was an Olympic swimmer.

Then, we completed the GPS section where we had to find the clues marked on the GPS and find out what they meant. We went outside and found all 5 clues and found out that they made up the Olympic rings.

Our Final Activity was involving Bluebots and Probots. If you're wondering what they are, Bluebots are little robots that you can program to move in certain directions you can also connect them to an iPad to program them as well. A Probot is a yellow robot that looks like a car. It is like a Bluebot but you can turn it using certain angles and you can put a pen in it and draw shapes, I (eventually) found out how to draw a circle. Nathaniel was using a Bluebot finding out how to dodge different items around the room.

By Curtis and Nathaniel



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Baby and Toddler Group

The Baby and Toddler Group who meet between 10.00am and 11.30am on Tuesday morning is growing in number and interest. This is a super chance to come and meet other mums with children of the same age to have a coffee and a chat whilst your children play in a safe, secure and stimulating environment. The sessions are run by Emma Guy from Colburn Children's Centre.



Access to Autism

North Yorkshire County Council
Access To Autism
Colburn Children's Centre
9:30am – 11:30am
(Term Time Only)

The Access to Autism group is for parents and carers of children being assessed for, or diagnosed with an Autistic Spectrum Condition (ASC). This will be an informal drop in session to have coffee, meet with other parents/carers with children who have an ASC & to discuss any concerns or queries you may have. We will also have guest speakers present on some of the dates below to provide you with information & advice on a variety of different topics.

The sessions will be held on:

- Wednesday 6th January 2016
Drop In
- Wednesday 3rd February 2016
(Guest speaker - Helen Jukes, Family Outreach Worker to talk about YouthAbility & Fuse)
- Wednesday 2nd March 2016
Drop In
- Wednesday 13th April 2016
(Guest speaker - TBC, to talk about sleeping patterns)
- Wednesday 4th May 2016
Drop In
- Wednesday 8th June 2016
(Guest speaker - TBC, to talk about summer activities available to access over the holidays)
- Wednesday 6th July 2016
Drop In

Sessions may include workshops on issues around ASC which could include communication, behaviour, strategies, interventions, local services and ideas of any other training or information needs you may have.

For further details contact Sue Doughty, Family Outreach Worker on 01609 53 6866 or Colburn Children's Centre on 01609 53 2595

Important Dates for Diaries

Summer Term 2016

- Celebration assemblies every Friday at 3.10pm everyone is welcome
- Monday 20th June - Amy Bushell in school all week on work experience
- Monday 27th June - Emily Horn in school all week on work experience
- Wednesday 29th June - Year 6 out at Lightwater Valley
- Friday 1st July - Rishi Sunak visiting school
- Thursday 7th July - Community Barbeque Lunch at 12.00 noon
- Tuesday 12th July - Year 6 activity day at Richmond
- Wednesday 13th July - Year 6 Induction day at Richmond and SFX
- Friday 15th July - Whole school visit to Saltburn
- Monday 18th July - School Sports Day starting at 1.30pm
- Friday 22nd July - Year 6 Leaver's assembly at 2.30pm with refreshments in the playground afterwards, everyone is welcome

