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#### Friday 20th May 2016

## Welcome

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to Ella Vasby-Burnie 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.



#### Well Done to Year 6

I would like to commena our rear a partie extremely hard work over the last few months. Obviously we do not know what their final grades will be and won't know until the end of June / beginning of July but I do know they all did their best and that is the only thing that can be asked of them. Everyone went to Mainsgill Farm on Friday afternoon for a well-earned treat and a chance to 'let off some steam' into the bargain.



#### Duck Race

Duck Race 2016 was an outstanding event that was really well attended. Everyone had great fun watching and cheering on their ducks as they raced down the beck to the finish line. The fun didn't stop there as we then had a Duck Sprint, which got off to rather a sedate start. This was followed by the homemade craft judging with a wacky run for home, down the beck, by all the craft. All in all it was a fantastic afternoon.: I would like to thank: The Friends of the School for their tireless work in organising and running the day; all the very kind donations, used for prizes, by local businesses; everyone for selling ducks and a final huge thank you to all who turned up on the day and supported the school.

The afternoon raised £1,106.00 for the school which is - I believe - the most ever raised from the Duck Race. What a truly fantastic result!

Some Duck Race winning information for you all:

Winner of the Duck Race - William Cousins

• Winner of the Sprint Race - Rose Jury

Winner of the Craft Race - Aaron Harland

Winner of the Best Craft, judging - Benjy Stewart









Thanks to Mr Martin for the use of his photographs and more photographs can be seen on our Facebook page with thanks to Mr and Mrs McNee.

#### Mrs Karen Batchelor

Everyone at school would like to thank Mrs Batchelor for her years of dedicated service to the school and community. Nothing has ever been too much trouble and we will all miss her. Good luck for the future Karen, with much appreciation from all at Melsonby School.

## Playground Reading Corner



On the suggestion of one of our pupils the School Council was quick to organise a 'Reading Corner' in the playground for those pupils who would like a quieter way to enjoy their breaks.

## 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.



After School Activities

## After School Clubant

Key stage 2 children can learn lots of new cool coding skills in coding club whilst Zumba is lots of fun!

Join sports coach J.D to master your skills in mini games and matches or in Media club design and write articles for a school newspaper.

Have fun making lots of tasty treats and learning basic baking skills.

Learn lots of cool moves with Miss Gibson teaching you some Kung Fu moves and how to warm up and exercise safely.

Relax watching cartoons and playing games with a snack







# Junior Golf Roll Up

Starts: 10/05/16

Runs every Tuesday

Location: Richmond Golf Club, DL10 5EX

Time: 4:30pm until 5:45pm

SUPERVISED FUN GOLF GAMES AND ACTIVITIES FOR 6 - 13 YEAR OLDS

(Equipment provided and parents are encouraged to stay)



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