



Weekly Newsletter



Autumn term – Issue 15 – Friday 15th January 2021

Update from YCAT

Dear Parents/Carers

I am pleased to be able to let you know that Ms Vasey is now out of hospital and recovering at home. She is still very weak but is making small steps of progress each day. However, she has a long way to go to make a full recovery from the Covid-19 virus and it is likely that it will be some weeks yet before she is fit to return to work. The school and academy trust have sent her flowers to let her know that we are all thinking about her and wish her well in her recovery.

Over the last couple of weeks, I have been very impressed by Miss Caygill and the whole staff team at Hawes School who have worked incredibly hard to adapt to the challenges that the school has faced in a very short timescale. Your cooperation over the last couple of weeks has helped us deliver remote education to the majority of children and we have been able to minimise the risk of virus transmission in school because of the small number of Key Worker and vulnerable children that are coming into the school each day.

Being in a Trust together means that YCAT schools support each other and receive extra help when they need it from the central team. We are so much stronger working together to overcome challenges such as staff absence and developing effective remote learning provision quickly across our schools. Miss Caygill has informed me that the addition of short 'live' teaching sessions this week has gone really well and that the majority of children in each class have been able to attend them. These are excellent opportunities for the children to connect with their class teacher, talk about their learning, receive feedback and meet up with their peers regularly. Please do not hesitate to contact school if you have any difficulties accessing the school's online learning

Thank you for continuing to support the staff team at Hawes School as they try their very best to meet the needs of your children. As a Trust we have been so grateful for the support of our parent communities throughout the pandemic. I do know how difficult this time is for all our children, families and staff but we will get through this together and happier times will return.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Jo Robinson

CEO, YCAT

Message from school

Thank you all so much for your hard work at home this week engaging with the live daily input for the children from Reception to Year 6 and also sorting out your TEAMS access issues. We know that it is difficult working this alongside your daily jobs and having children in different year groups/schools and we really appreciate all that you have achieved this week and hopefully will continue to do.

We have thoroughly enjoyed seeing the children at home and being able to support them daily with their home learning. We really appreciate that you have kept us informed of any issues you may be having and we hope that they have been solved. We also appreciate your patience with us sorting out the video lessons for you and helping us to improve daily on the learning we provide. Please continue to let us know how things are going at home, firstly through the class TEAMS chat directly to the teacher, as they can hopefully solve your problems. If you can't access your TEAMS due to log in issues then please phone or e-mail the school office for this. We are also working with the critical worker children in school and will try to contact you as soon as possible.

The learning for next week will be uploaded on Monday morning into the class TEAMS so that teachers have time to plan, based on the feedback and work from the children in the previous week. Teachers will try to provide work that doesn't need printing out and any sheets should be able to be copied into your books at home.

The guidance for home learning we are following states that KS1 children should have up to three hours of learning a day (younger children less) and KS2 children should have up to four hours daily. This includes the input from school, Oak Academy and any work that is set by school to be completed.

Please remember if your child is of nursery age, they can take up the offer of provision in school and any critical worker's children can also come into school. Please contact school for information on this if your circumstances change.

Please continue sending in your photos of home learning and any **Top Tips** for our weekly newsletter but if we could ask they are sent in by the end of Thursday so we can add them ready for Friday.

So, THANKS again for all your continued support and patience this week and I know that working together "We can do this".

I hope you have a super weekend and look forward to seeing you all next week in our daily lessons.

Miss Caygill

Top tips for remote learning

Every day CBBC are showing live lessons on the television and Twinkl have made a time table with free matching resources. If you Google CBBC/Twinkl timetable you will get access to lots of free resources to support the CBBC's teaching programmes.

Twinkl are also giving you free access to their 'Twinkl Go' resources too. Here is the pin code, user name and password to access these for free.



FREE pre-made Twinkl Go! lessons to share with your children

[twinkl.co.uk/go](https://www.twinkl.co.uk/go) PIN: JB0654

Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
User: bunny40	User: band42	User: tin48	User: home140
Pwd: bunny40	Pwd: band42	Pwd: tin48	Pwd: home140

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What's been happening in the classroom and beyond

As part of Aidan's World War 2 research this week, he Face Timed his Great Grandmother to ask her some questions about her experience of World War 2. Aidan's Great Grandmother suffers from Alzheimer's dementia, but being able to reminisce about these stories from her past with him really brightened her day. The real-life experience that she shared definitely helped to add a different dimension to Aidan's learning.



Fun in the snow- our Key Worker children have been making snowmen families.

Ayden has been practising his counting and has made a model of his house!



Harry in the snow



Josh practising his archery



Jack's Anderson shelter



Mrs Metcalfe at work





Children having fun at playtime



Imogen and Violet having fun in the snow

School Office Update

Up-to-date Pupil Contact and Medical Information

Please ensure you inform Dawn in the office of any change of contact or medical information. You can use the Parent App to check the details we currently hold. It is very important school is kept up to date so we can safeguard your child

Free School Meals Eligibility

Free school meals are available for children whose parents meet the criteria. Please visit www.northyorks.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals to check if you are eligible. The forms are attached to this e-mail.

Need to know more about e-safety?

It's always helpful to know where to go to get information. If you want to know more about e-safety you can of course ask at school, but you could go on line and have a look at the websites below, for information applicable to all ages of children and young adults.

Contact: Think 'U' Know [http:// www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk) Kid Smart <http://www.kidsmart.org.uk/>

COVID 19 Information

Covid 19

Please let us know if your child tests positive for Covid 19 so we can record this and we then know that the children might not be up to doing their remote learning.

Becky will be off work until Monday 25th January, so hot meals won't be provided to children in school until then. **Please let Dawn know if your child would like a dinner at school from week beginning Monday 25th January- this is for children who currently attend school.**

School Website Update

Our school milk scheme is administered by Cool Milk. To register your child for school milk, please visit <https://www.coolmilk.com/register>

If your child is under 5 they will have been registered using the bulk registration process but **parents still need to register using the form/website**. They will then get an e-mail when their child turns 5 reminding to make payment for milk when their child turns 5, in line with School Food Plan legislation.

There are also links to Parentpay and Cool Milk on the home page. **Please remember not to pay for milk if you are going on holiday as they do not give refunds**. You need to pay for dinners and milk in advance.

Dinner menus are on the website or you can use the NYCC link <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/school-meals> Holiday dates are also on the website for parents to refer to. There is also a link for a free school meals application, **please apply if you are eligible as school gets an amount per child to assist with their learning and to help with the cost of trips etc.**