



Micklefield C. E. (C) Primary School

# Newsletter

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*Viking  
Edition*



Designing and making shields

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May brought an extra buzz of excitement into school as parents and children from Class 3 worked together on a whole day of activities with a Viking theme. Mrs. Douglas and Mrs. Mitchell organised tasks to develop skills and knowledge across the curriculum, including literacy, maths, science, history, art, PSHCE and design technology.

There was jewellery-making and weaving in the Breakfast Club room, a Viking lady telling sagas by her hut in the library, wordsearches, the longboat challenge in the classroom – design, build and race your longboat, designing and making shields and helmets in the hall, a Viking feast at lunchtime and even an archaeological dig! A big thank you to all the staff, parents, grandparents and other helpers who made the day such a success.



*Longship designs  
and Viking villagers*



A fantastic amount of time and effort must have gone into getting ready; Blaine and his mum made this brilliant fruit Viking longship at home and there were several people who had dressed up as Vikings too. It was trickier than it looked to design and make a longship which would sail down the narrow channels Mr. and Mrs. Bland had prepared for the races at the end of the day!





There are some new faces in our Foundation Stage. All our new starters have settled in well and enjoyed their first few days with us. The other F1 and F2 children have been busy showing them what to do. You can be sure of a warm welcome and a guided tour of the activities the children are involved in when you visit. We are delighted that our funding bid was successful and the building changes for the new purpose built Foundation/KS1 Unit with extended outdoor play provision will go ahead in the summer. The portacabin will be refurbished and provide a venue for activities such as toddler groups, parents' groups etc. The FS/KS1 children will be able to access their outdoor area on the same level instead of going down the ramps and the new entrance will be easier for parents too. We are waiting for the finished version of the plans. When they arrive you are welcome to view them!



The children have been consulted and have ideas for how they would like the playgrounds to be organised when the building work is done.



**Notes and dates for your diary:**

**May**

- 19<sup>th</sup> Photographs
- 20<sup>th</sup> Foundation Stage assembly
- 21<sup>st</sup> FS Activity Morning
- 22<sup>nd</sup> School finishes

**June**

- 1<sup>st</sup> School starts
- 4<sup>th</sup> FS trip
- 9<sup>th</sup> Class 4 trip
- 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> Themed Week
- 17<sup>th</sup> GCC Parents' Evening
- 24<sup>th</sup> Class 4 assembly/coffee morning

**July**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Micklefield MVC concert
- 6<sup>th</sup> Reports to parents
- 7<sup>th</sup> New starters evening 7pm
- 8<sup>th</sup> Brigshaw transition day
- 9<sup>th</sup> Garforth transition day
- 10<sup>th</sup> Sports Day
- 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> GCC Activity Days
- 15<sup>th</sup> Foundation Stage Graduation Day
- 16<sup>th</sup> Summer Concert afternoon and evening performances
- 17<sup>th</sup> Leavers' Service at St. Mary's Church
- 20<sup>th</sup> Training Day

We've seen more star guests with wonderful manners in the hall, trainee Class 4 chefs in the Breakfast Club room and French speakers in Class 3's sharing assembly – Britain's definitely got talent..... there's lots of it here in Micklefield!



Thanks to Mrs. McGowan and Mrs. Bland for helping with the library books.

**WANTED - MORE FRIENDS OF MICKLEFIELD!**

Thanks to all who have put their names down so far.

If you can help, please add your name to the list in the office.