



## Barkston Ash Catholic Primary School

*'With God's guidance we grow and learn'*



Dear Parents and Carers

In this week's Gospel, we heard another message from Matthew, about the rules for life that Jesus gives us to follow- the Beatitudes.

During worship this week, we have been thinking about the Beatitude which begins, "Happy are the peacemakers" and ways in which we can all demonstrate this in school. It isn't always easy to be friends with everyone, but Jesus shows us that this is the best way. Some of the ideas that the children shared were; speaking politely, being considerate of others' feelings and showing love and care to everyone.

We pray for Jesus to bring the light of the Holy Spirit into our lives, giving us the strength to follow the Beatitudes.

Have a wonderful weekend

Mrs Vaughan

**Virtue** Our Virtue for the second part of this half-term is Love your Neighbour'. Simply put, we love others and serve because we follow the way of Jesus. Jesus tells us with His words in passages such as Matthew 22:39 but also by his actions. Jesus shows us how to love those who are outcast by being with the leper and the one on the edge. He teaches us to love the 'other' and shows us what this looks like.

***"The second is this: You shall love your neighbour as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." Mark 12:31***

**Weekly Mission** To let our light shine by using our gifts and talents to help others. **Prayer of the Week** Glory Be.

**Children's Liturgy** Children's Liturgy is led by parents from two of our families and will restart at St. Joseph's, Sherburn, 9.30am Mass this Sunday, and thereafter on the first Sunday of each month. We hope that you are able to make it- everyone is warmly welcomed in the Church community.

**Safeguarding Reminder** It is very important that you contact school before 9am each day please if your child is going to be absent due to illness.

**Online Safety** On Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February it is Safer Internet day and we will be completing related activities in school. Whilst this is an important day, at Barkston Ash, we take every opportunity to talk to children about staying safe online. Where able, please talk with your child/ren about how they can keep themselves safe online and discuss strategies that can be followed at home should children come across concerning online content.

**Teampoint Winners** This week's winners are the **red** team with an average of **18.6** points! **Class 1** achieved the highest team point total with an amazing **654** collected this week! Well done to red team and Class 1!

**Spring Dates** Please see our school website calendar for all dates.

Dates coming up next week:

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February- Children's Liturgy at St Joseph's, Sherburn, 9.30am Mass

### **International Theme Week**

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February-Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February- Tins on Tuesday Class 1

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February- 3.15-3.30pm- Class 2 Art Gallery exhibition (class 2 parents and carers invited)

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February- Class 1 and 2 Drum workshop

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February- Celebration Assembly (class 5 parents and carers invited)

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February- School closes for February half-term

**Young Apprentice** We are incredibly proud of our class 5 children who, through their business sense, ingenuity, hard work and determination, have raised almost £2000 through the Young Apprentice project! The children will now determine how to spend this money to benefit charities, local community groups and provide a well-deserved treat for themselves! All children took part and did incredibly well- it was a tough decision for the panel to choose the winner and runners up. The following children were pleased to receive their awards today in Celebration Assembly:

**Winner:** James Brady and James Radi (Reindeer models)

**Runners Up:** Hollie Kempton and Kitty Shepherd (Tasty treats)

Flo Duncan (Festive origami)



**Inter-school Sports** A group of our year 3/4 children attended a Hockey competition at Drax yesterday, along with five other schools. The team played incredibly well finishing in a fantastic 3<sup>rd</sup> place overall. Well done team! Thank you to Mrs L Ward and Mrs da Cruz Silva for accompanying the children on the visit. Also a huge thank you to parents and carers who provided transport.



### **Helping Hands**

The 100 Club balls were out once again in Celebration Assembly today to draw the winners for December and January.

The lucky winners were numbers 29, Jess Broughton, and 58, Deborah Jarratt.

Congratulations to you both!

Thanks for your continued support of our events,  
The Helping Hands Team

*Newsletters, Wednesday Word, curriculum letters, other letters and forms are available on the school website.*



## Let's Celebrate!

In **Class 1**, we have been learning about how God loves us all!

In **Class 2** we have been learning about the artist Karen Lederer. We had a go at some of our own bright and colourful prints, just like hers.



In **Class 3** this week, we have been learning about God's forgiveness through the medium of art. We read and responded to parables Jesus told that teach us of God's love and power to forgive us when we truly repent. We then created our own pieces of artwork that demonstrated this concept.

In **Class 4** in English, we have started work on our Butterfly Lion project and used the conscience alley to think about a decision the main character had to make.



In science this week, **Class 5** revisited and developed their understanding of how particles behave in solids, liquids and gases. Our solid 'particles' had strong attractions and stayed linked together. This meant that wherever they were in the classroom, they kept the same shape and volume. When we 'poured' our 'liquids' around the classroom, they took the shape of the space they were in, but still with the same volume. Our 'gas particles' were free to wander the room and take up whatever space was available to them.



🌀Thank you to Max and Tommy for presenting our Celebration Assembly this week! 🌀

### **A huge well done to this week's award winners...**

Class 1 Superstar: Harrison

Class 5 Superstar: Olivia

Class 2 Superstar: Zosha

Headteacher award: Alfie C2

Class 3 Superstars: Toby & Ethan

Lunchtime award: Aoife C2

Class 4 Superstar: Gracie

Times Table  
Champions coming  
soon...

*Keep practising your  
Times Table skills on  
TTRS!*