



West Cliff Primary School Newsletter 12.05.16



Celebration Assembly

Puffins	~	Vienna Dowson
Starfish	~	Robbie Raisbeck
Turtles	~	Emily Sutherland
Penguins	~	Summer Wilson
Seahorses	~	Mara Hutchinson
Dolphins	~	Erin McBurney
Seals	~	The Whole class

Magic Monday -

(Cooked by the best school chef in the country!)

Roast loin of pork & Yorkshire pudding or cauliflower cheese bake & Yorkshire pudding with chocolate krispie cake to follow.

Ocean Fun Club

Activities next week are:

Monday	~	Movable animal shapers
Tuesday	~	Outdoor chalk art
Wednesday	~	Gardening
Thursday	~	Door hangers
Friday	~	Paper weaving

Attendance ~ 25/04 -29/04/2016

As you know, we expect children to have attendance of at least 96% over the school year.

Puffins ~	92.3%
Starfish ~	89.2%
Turtles ~	91.1%
Penguins ~	95%
Seahorses ~	92.5%
Dolphins ~	89.6%
Seal ~	97%

Please continue to support us to make our attendance as good as it possibly can be.

Our whole school attendance is still only 94.5% so far this year so we need to do much better this term!

Sainsbury's Vouchers

Please send in any vouchers you have lurking around your house as Sainsburys have stopped giving them out now.

Academy Trust Update

You will remember that we consulted you about whether you had any problems with the school going ahead with plans to form an academy with Airy Hill, Castleton and Glaisdale, and Lealholm and as a result the Governors decided to proceed.

However, in light of the Governors U turn on academies (they are no longer forcing all schools to become academies), we reconsidered the matter at our meeting on Monday and decided that we still wished to proceed.

As one of the governors put it, "We've already agreed that it is a great opportunity. So why halt it now, just because the government isn't forcing the issue?"

We felt that by going ahead we would be stronger and more in control of our own destiny. Our children would benefit from even closer co-operation with other good and outstanding schools. There would be real benefits for teacher development.

We also felt that if any of our schools hit difficulty, it would be good to know that we are supported inside an academy organisation where we know that everyone shares common aims and values.

And of course, if the government has made one U turn, it can always make another!!

At a meeting last night, the schools met together to form a "shadow Trustee board". Our head teacher, Mrs Zanelli Tyler is an automatic member as I am as our Chair of Governors. Bob Dalrymple, one of our two new governors (with a wealth of relevant experience) was elected Finance director.

We have decided that the Academy will be called the Endeavour Learning Academy Trust!

I will report back regularly on progress

Diana Jeuda (Chair of Governors)

Y1 phonics tests - reminder

Y1 will be sitting their phonics screening test in the week of 13th June. Children need to be in school that week to do this test! Please let Mrs Lawn know as soon as possible if you have a holiday booked that week.

Smoking outside school

Could parents please not smoke outside the school gates.

Thank you

Headlice

Can parents please keep checking the child/ren's hair as we still keep receiving cases of headlice reported.

Christina Zanelli-Tyler

Headteacher