Dear Families,

We have reached the end of another school year!

Staff leavers  It’s been a week of ‘goodbye and good luck’ to staff this week. We have said our farewells earlier in the week to Mr Matthew Warriner and Mrs Alison Shepherd; today was the turn of Mrs Gemma Sutton, Miss Amy Brown & Mrs Marie Willis. We wish them all very well in their future adventures of motherhood, travelling and house moves, and we look forward to hearing all about these, and to meeting Baby Sutton!

English Awards  As part of her leaving gift to the school, Mrs Willis has presented us with 2 English Awards (one for each Key Stage), to be awarded every half term. At the end of our morning assembly for the staff leavers, Mrs Willis presented these for the first time, to Isobel Phillips (Y1) and Hannah Wallace (Y6).

Change of date: early May Bank Holiday 2020  There has been some coverage in the media of the government’s decision to change the early May Bank Holiday to fall in line with the VE (Victory in Europe) Day celebrations next year. NYCC has now confirmed an amended school calendar, with the Bank Holiday on Friday 8th May 2020. The school will be open as normal on Monday 4th May. The term dates on the school website have been updated to reflect this change.

Autumn term menu  The current menu will continue when we come back in September; we will be on Week 1. The new menu should be ready for half term.

Y6 Awards  In our Year 6 Leavers’ Assembly we said our school goodbyes and presented the end of year awards:

The Year 6 Reading Award: Ned Gilson-Fox
The John Harris Memorial Trophy for Sporting Excellence: Harry Savage
The Elaine Sellwood Citizenship Award:
Sports Day Shield: Hawks
Team Trophy: Eagles

Y6 Garden  As part of their legacy project for the school, the Y6s have been working hard on transforming the area that was previously a ‘wild’ area of the field into a usable garden space with seating, paths and planting. Thank you very much to the Friends for their financial support and to the parents who have been in this week to support the children with some of the heavier work. Special thanks to Mr Darling for his preparation work of spraying and clearing the very overgrown undergrowth!

Excellence Awards  This week we awarded our Excellence Awards, to recognise excellence in school in all its forms. A very big well done to these children who really excelled in some way last half term:
Class EY: Abigail Payne
Class 1: Alvin Pashov
Class 2: Ruby Heaver
Class 3:
Class 4: Tyler Bailey
Class 5: Max Ballantyne
Artist of the Half Term Well done to these artists, who were nominated for their work:
Class EY:
Class 1: Alyssa Bailey
Class 2: Emme Jordan
Class 3: Sophie Gallagher
Class 4: 
Class 5: Grace Elstone, Grace Manders, Chloe Farrar & Maya Cutt

The overall winner, who is awarded the Dragonfly Award, is Alyssa Bailey for her Van Gogh artwork. Well done!

Where names appear to be missing above, this is either because consent has not been given or has not yet been received.

e-letters the following letters have been sent this week. Copies are also available on the school website www.forestofgaltresprimary.org

Letters which have reply slips (eg for swimming & visits) can be completed electronically and emailed back to school at admin@forestgaltres.n-yorks.sch.uk

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Road safety survey
If you haven’t already, please don’t forget to return your Road Safety Questionnaire to school via the post boxes provided by the end of term. Your opinions and ideas are highly valued - please keep them coming in. The Road Safety Team are extremely great fun for the
huge number of responses they have received so far.