Dear Families,

Thought for this week from our chaplain Hurray, the worship in wellies didn't happen, but worship in the beautiful sunshine certainly did. We celebrated God's amazing creation and it was a joyful time. It really struck me how much we have to grab those small moments of joy. We all have worries and challenges in our lives and they can seem all-consuming, so we have to make the most of those moments of joy. What are those moments for you? Grabbing a coffee with a friend? Catching your favourite programme? Hearing your child laughing at something? Treasure those moments.

"When anxiety was great within me, your consolation brought joy to my soul" Psalm 94:19

Lorraine

Carecent Socks!

Our theme for worship this term is about being courageous. Each week focuses on a different area in which we can be courageous. This week is for the homeless. If you remember, we collected Easter eggs for the homeless through the Carecent charity. One of the other things the homeless need lots of is clean socks! They do not need to be new, but they need to be clean! If you have any spare pairs of adult socks, please do bring them into class. We can collect them all term and I will keep taking them to Carecent.

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.

Picnic lunch days On the next 2 Thursdays (11th & 18th July) the kitchen will be holding special picnic lunch days. The children will be able to choose from a variety of sandwiches or a pasta pot with a sausage or cheese roll and a traybake-style cake. Weather permitting, they will be able to take these outside and eat on the field or playground.

Staffing update Following our recruitment this week, we have appointed Mrs Beth Prihar as our part-time Y2 teacher from September. Mrs Prihar will be working with Ms Mills and will be in school over the next week to begin getting to know the children. As she has already been in our school for short-term supply work she is very familiar with our school staff and routines, and this will make a very smooth start. Miss Lindsay Graystone (Y6 from September) has also been in school this week, and will be back again next week to continue getting to know her class as well as work around handover from Miss Brown and Mrs Sutton.

Mrs Prihar and Miss Graystone will both be available straight after school on Thursday 11th July if any parents would like to pop in to say hello. They can be found in the current Y2 and Y6 rooms from 3:30-4pm.

Excellence Awards Please can the Excellence Awards be sent back into school ready for the last week of term. Thank you!

EYFS Wish list! We are looking for donations of any unwanted/surplus DIY-type items for our outdoor learning. If you have any of the following in garages/sheds that you no longer need please let us know as we would be very happy to give them a home!
We would appreciate: crates, tyres (big and small), guttering, wallpaper, pallets, bricks, planks, gardening supplies, unwanted wellies, helmets, & fancy dress.

**A19 road closure** We have been informed that on 11th and 12th July, the A19 at Shipton will be closed and Station Lane (the road we are on) is being used as the advertised diversion route. There will be a significant amount of additional traffic throughout the day going past the school so please ensure that when you are in the area of the school with your child you are extra vigilant when crossing the road, parking and driving away. If possible please try to share lifts or use the school buses as there are also likely to be delays.

[https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/roadworks-map](https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/roadworks-map)

e-letters the following letters have been sent this week. Copies are also available on the school website [www.forestofgaltresprimary.org](http://www.forestofgaltresprimary.org)

- Y2 Harlow Carr visit
- Y6 Crucial Crew visit

**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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Please could all library books be returned to school next week, there will be no session just the collection of books. Thank you so much.
Road safety survey

A small group of parents are looking at road safety around the school. This week every child will be bringing home a Road Safety leaflet asking parents and residents of Shipton for ideas in how to improve road safety and parking issues outside of school. Please return these to the safety campaign team via the post boxes at the school gate and near the school office by the end of term.

Ice lollies.

The friends will be selling ice lollies on Tuesday 2nd July at afternoon playtime to raise funds for school.
Please send in money on the day if your child would like one (50p each)