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Forest School Evening

Thank you to all those families who have returned their reply slips for our Forest School evening on Friday 16th June. Those that haven't and are intending to come, please have the slips and payment into school by Monday 15th May at the very latest. Thank you.

Rounders' Tournament

Well done to our rounders team who performed brilliantly last Friday at Heckington Primary School. Unfortunately they were narrowly beaten into second place overall but they did the school proud.

Malham

Please can I remind Year 6 parents that the last day for paying for the Malham residential is Friday 19th May. Thank you.

Felt Art

Our project with artists Jason Wilsher-Mills, and his assistant Laura Mabbutt have been continuing. This week it was the turn of Year 4 in producing some fantastic felt art. Have a look at their class blog, on our school website www.raucebyschool.co.uk, to find out more.



Year 6 SATs

During the week beginning the 8th of May, Year 6 faced many tough and challenging tests. Starting with the reading paper on Monday, they then moved on to do the grammar punctuation and spelling (GPaS). On Wednesday they then started a journey of mathematics that would take then two days. Finally, after completing 3 more tests, Year 6 finished SATs and with an almighty cheer ended the day with an afternoon of relaxation.

I have to say the children coped extremely well. The papers were probably the most difficult SAT papers I have seen in my career and the children took them in their stride. Now they can enjoy the summer and their final 8 weeks at Rauceby Primary School. They have still lots of work to do though!



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Professor Brian Cox



On Thursday evening I had the great pleasure in going to Nottingham Arena with Mrs Robertson and Mr Wallace, to see Brian Cox deliver a lecture on the universe.

Jack in Year 6 was also present at the lecture as he is a huge fan of Brian's. So much so, he had written him a letter containing a couple of questions, in which Brian Cox wrote back with the answers. One of these questions was, 'What do you think is in a black hole?' Apparently you need a quantum theory of gravity to answer this; which nobody yet knows. However, Jack is well on his way to finding this out! I have ever faith that he will.

As a surprise to Jack, we were provided with backstage passes, allowing us to meet Brian and chat with him in his dressing room. Jack said the experience was 'amazing' and his cheek bones are still

hurting from smiling.

I can't wait to attend Jack's lectures in a few years' time!

Year 5 Money Raising Success

Over the past few weeks, the children in Year 5 have been raising money by doing 'Bob-A-Job'. We have found all kinds of different ways of raising a few pennies (and pounds) – we have washed dishes, cleaned cars, helped in the garden, baked and sold cakes, walked dogs, watered the plants, made endless cups of tea and generally been incredibly helpful. In return, we have raised enough money to adopt several of the ponies and donkeys from Bransby Horses, as well as sponsoring two beehives for a year.

We have chosen to sponsor beehives because of our topic on wildlife attracting gardens, with a special focus on bees, for the Lincolnshire Show Great Gardening Challenge. Bees are in danger and we need to do everything we can to help them to thrive. We are creating a bee garden at school, too.

If anyone is interested in joining us on our quest to support bees and Bransby horses, please have a look at our Year 5 blog for links to the websites. In the meantime, keep your gardens full of bee-friendly plants, and eat lots of honey!

Olivia and Nancy

Seed potatoes

Our gardening club is in full swing this term and they have been busy preparing the raised beds. The club would love to grow some potatoes. If any parents have any seed potatoes that they would like to donate to school, they would be gratefully received. Thank you.

Upcoming events

Wed 17 May	-	New Parents Evening (Sept 17 intake)
Thurs 18 May	-	Church Schools Festival (Year 6)
Fri 19 May	-	Class Photos
Fri 19 May	-	PTFA School Disco
Mon 22- Fri 26 May	-	School Enterprise Week
Fri 26 May	-	Non-Uniform Day
Fri 26 May	-	End of Term
Mon 5 - Fri 9 June	-	Year 6 Malham residential

Term Dates for 2017/18

We have had several phone calls asking for next academic year's term dates. As always they are displayed on our school website www.raucebyschool.co.uk but here they are:

Term 1 – Tuesday 5th September to Thursday 19th October 2017

Term 2 – Monday 30th October to Thursday 21st December 2017

Term 3 – Monday 8th January to Friday 9th February 2018

Term 4 – Monday 19th February to Thursday 29th March 2018

Term 5 – Monday 16th April to Friday 25th May 2018

Term 6 – Monday 4th June to Friday 20th July 2018

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Blue Badge Recipients

Blue Badges were awarded this week to the following children;

- Reception: Finlay for fantastic subtraction using a numberline
Gabriel for working hard with his handwriting
Ned for trying hard with his independent writing
- Year 1: Beau for fabulous reading
Minnie for a fantastic start to an independent story
Zack for amazing reading
- Year 2: Henry for a fabulous week- Henry, you have worked your socks off
Ruby for a fantastic story about Little Red Riding Hood
- Year 3: Lucas for super Maths work, particularly telling the time
Joshua for working really hard in Literacy
- Year 4: Bailey for excellent use fronted adverbials
Lily Tomlinson for superb extended sentences
Mark for his caring attitude to his friend
- Year 5: Jacy for settling in so well
Jake and Ronin for making a really big effort to improve independent writing
Nancy for her outstanding independent writing
- Year 6: Alex for determination in PE
Flo for supporting her peers in PE

Well done to all of you. We are proud of the work that you produce and the effort that you put into all areas of school life.

It is a pleasure to give out the blue badges to the children each week, celebrating their successes both in and out of the classroom. It has been great to see the children wearing their badges with pride this week.