



March 20th 2026

Red Nose Day

The children and staff looked amazing with their crazy hair to support Comic Relief! It was quite hilarious watching Miss Lauder, Miss Burns and others get through doorways. Thank you for supporting Comic Relief – we will share the total donated next week.

Gymnastics Success

Huge congratulations to Ivy (Y2), Caoimhe (Y5) and Erin (Y6) who competed in Candyland Classics Gymnastic competition.

Ivy - 2nd bars, 2nd vault, 4th floor, 5th beam and 2nd overall.

Caoimhe - 3rd vault, 3rd bars, 5th beam, 8th floor and 1st overall.

Erin - 1st beam, 5th bars, 5th vault and 1st overall in age group.

Well done girls!

Thank you Mrs Smith

Mrs Smith presented some information on her Ghana visit on Wednesday afternoon. I hope those of you who were able to attend found it interesting. I missed out as I was helping with a Year 6 SATS group but know that the children have found her stories very interesting.

The Wilderness Company - Outdoor Adventure Days

We are delighted to share that FOMS have kindly paid for each class to attend an exciting outdoor adventure day ran by The Wilderness Company at Crag Pond, Lartington. Today children have been given a pack which includes a letter, a kit list and consent/medical forms. Please can you ensure that you read, fill in and return the paperwork as soon as possible. We are extremely grateful to our Friends of Montalbo School committee for funding these activity days.

Wraparound care

Breakfast and Afterschool care sessions are becoming increasingly popular therefore it is important that all children are booked into the sessions using Arbor so we can ensure the correct staffing ratios are in place. Could we also remind parents / carers that afterschool care sessions finish at 5.30pm at the latest. Please ensure your child is collected before this time.

Activity Clubs

Information about Activity Clubs for after Easter will be shared next week. These can be booked on Arbor once they are released.

School Menu Choices

Please complete and return new lunch menus to the office by Friday 20th March.

The new menu will start on Monday 20th April.

Attendance-

This week's attendance figures are below. Well done Reception class.

Class	Attendance this week (%)
Reception	99%
Year 1	98.6%
Year 2	96.6%

Year 3	93.5%
Year 4	98%
Year 5	90.6%
Year 6	95%
Whole School	95.9%

Dates for the Diary

March 20 th	Badminton Y5/6 (2 teams)
March 23 rd	Multi-skills (all Y6) Staindrop Academy
March 25 th	Football Y2 at Staindrop Academy (selected children)
March 31 st	Tennis at Parkside (all Y4)
March 31 st	Years 3 and 4 School Play 6pm
April 1 st	Years 3 and 4 School Play 6pm
April 1 st	Multi-skills (all Reception)
April 3 rd – 17 th	Easter Holiday
April 20 th	Children return to school
April 21 st	Wilderness Outdoor Adventure Day – Year 4
April 22 nd	Wilderness Outdoor Adventure Day – Reception
April 23 rd	Wilderness Outdoor Adventure Day – Year 1
April 24 th	Girls Football Y4-6 at St John
April 27 th	Wilderness Outdoor Adventure Day – Year 2
April 28 th	Wilderness Outdoor Adventure Day – Year 3
May 1 st	Wilderness Outdoor Adventure Day – Year 5
May 4 th	May Day Bank Holiday
May 11 th – 14 th	Year 6 SATs
May 18 th	Wilderness Outdoor Adventure Day – Year 6
May 19 th	Tri Golf (all Y3) at Barnard Castle Golf Club
May 19 th	Wilderness Outdoor Adventure Day (am) – Buttercups
May 19 th	Wilderness Outdoor Adventure Day (pm) – Daisies
May 20 th	Cricket (Y4) at Raby Castle
May 22 nd	Multiskills (all Y2)
May 25 th -29 th	Whitsuntide Holidays (Parade May 25 th)
W.b. June 8 th	Phonics Screening (Y1)
June 30 th	Nursery Sports Day
July 1 st	School Sports Day
July 6 th	Monty Does Rehearsal Day at The Witham
July 7 th	End of Year Reports send out
July 7 th	Monty Does Evening Performance at The Witham
July 8 th	Monty Does Evening Performance at The Witham
July 17 th	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 9am
July 17 th	End of term
July 20-21 st	Teacher Training Days
Sept 1 st - 2 nd	Teacher Training Days
Sept 3 rd	Children return to school

Mr. C Minikin
Head Teacher

Please see the QR code for the School Lottery. The more players we have, the more we raise for the school and the bigger the prize fund.

