

St Hedda's Catholic Primary School



Stars of the week
Class 1 - Harriet
Class 2 - Louie

NEWSLETTER

08.05.26

In Class 1 - This week in Class 1, the children have enjoyed exploring shadows during our water play activities. They investigated how light creates shadows and noticed how shadows change shape and size as they moved around the water area. The children showed great curiosity and excitement while experimenting. We have also been developing our fine motor skills through scooping water and carefully picking up stones using different tools. These activities helped strengthen hand coordination and control while encouraging concentration and problem-solving. In our learning about inspirational people, the children discovered the lifetime achievements of David Attenborough as we celebrate his 100th birthday on Friday. This week, Year 1 have enjoyed developing their writing skills by learning about setting descriptions. The children used exciting adjectives and descriptive language to write about Whitby Abbey, imagining what it would be like to explore the famous ruins.

In Class 2 - This week in Class 2 has been full of energy, creativity and fun! In cricket, we have been developing our bowling skills, working on accuracy and technique and growing in confidence with every attempt. We have also been learning all about My Happy Mind, exploring how our brains work and discovering ways to stay positive, calm and ready to learn. In Art, we have enjoyed getting creative with colourful batik designs and experimenting with exciting printmaking techniques, producing some fantastic and unique pieces.

THE WEEK AHEAD:

Monday 11th May

a.m. KS2 SATs for Year 6
1.15 p.m. Little Artists Playgroup

Tuesday 12th May

a.m. KS2 SATs for Year 6
French Tuck Shop
p.m. Class 1 visit to Pump Track, Skelton Green

Wednesday 13th May

a.m. KS2 SATs for Year 6

Thursday 14th May

a.m. KS2 SATs for Year 6
11.30 - 12.15 p.m. Forest School Playgroup
p.m. Forest School

Friday 15th May

12:15 p.m. Hedda's Heroes Playgroup
p.m. Golf

KS2 SATs

KS2 SATs will take place from Monday 11th - Thursday 14th May for all Year 6 pupils.

Y6 children are invited to come into school early on each of the test days for a SATS breakfast club from 8am. There will be a bus available from Castle Park at 7.45 am if your child requires transport, alternatively they can be dropped off.

Timetable as follows:

Monday 11th May - English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Test

Tuesday 12th May - English Reading Test

Wednesday 13th May - Mathematics Arithmetic (Paper 1) and Reasoning (Paper 2)

Thursday 14th May - Mathematics Reasoning (Paper 3)

Thank you

We are so grateful for the donations of plants we have received from parents. Thank you also to Mr Borrett and Mr Tim Coates for giving their time to transport our new shed.

Those of you who follow free sites on social media e.g. 'Whitby pong' please keep an eye out for things like compost, top soil, water butts, compost bins, pallets, metal/enamel kitchenware, perennial plants, vegetable plants, herb plants.

Class 1 Pump Track PE

On Tuesday 12th May class 1 will complete their PE lesson using balance bikes at Skelton Pump Track. Bikes and helmets will be provided by school.

Friends of School Quiz Night

The PTA have requested that parents contact the school office to share information about which date your family is most likely to attend an after school fundraising quiz: Thursday 4th June, Friday 5th June, Wednesday 10th June or Monday 22nd June.

Bewerley Park for all children in Class 2 - Wednesday 20th - Friday 22nd May

A separate email has gone out to parents clarifying the transport arrangements for Bewerley Park.

Sports Day/Summer Fair - change of date

Sports Day will now take place at 1:30pm on Friday 26th June followed by our Summer Fair. Everyone is welcome. Friends of St Hedda's will share further information about the fair closer to the date including details of how to pre-book a teatime picnic box to enjoy at the fair.

Wraparound Care

Please remember to book clubs in advance by the Thursday for the following week and indicate approx. time of collection if you have booked for After School club. Thank you.

Packed Lunches

Please be reminded that our school is a nut free site. We do have children with serious nut allergies.

ACTIVE CALENDAR - OLQM and St Mary's Team Up - May

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
				1st - Plank! Bronze - 20s Silver - 40s Gold - 60s +	Weekend Challenge! 2nd & 3rd! Run (or walk) a local Junior Park Run!	
4th - Distance Hop Bronze - 10m Silver - 20m Gold - 30m+	5th - Bear Crawl Bronze - 10m Silver - 20m Gold - 30m+	6th - Tennis Keepy Ups Bronze - 10 Silver - 20 Gold - 30+	7th - Skipping Bronze - 10s Silver - 20s Gold - 30s+	8th - Throw, Clap, Catch (tennis ball) Bronze - 1 Silver - 3 Gold - 5+	Weekend Challenge! 9th & 10th Try a new sport which is active and outside (e.g. golf, tennis, cricket, football!)	
11th - Throw, Clap, Catch (tennis ball) Bronze - 1 Silver - 3 Gold - 5+	12th - Press ups (Knees fine!) Bronze - 10 Silver - 20 Gold - 30+	13th - Simon Says (10 reps of...) Bronze - 3 x Silver - 5 x Gold - 10 x	14th - One Foot Balance Bronze - 10s Silver - 20s Gold - 30s+	15th - Squat Jumps Bronze - 10 Silver - 20 Gold - 30+	Weekend Challenge! 18th & 19th Ride your bike somewhere local, instead of your parents driving you	
20th - Toe touches jumping 1 min Bronze - 10 Silver - 30 Gold - 50+	21st - Sit ups 1 min Bronze - 10 Silver - 20 Gold - 40+	24th - Tuck Jumps 1 min Bronze - 10 Silver - 30 Gold - 50+	25th - Leap Frog in the air Bronze - 10 Silver - 25 Gold - 40+	26th - Burpees 1 min Bronze - 5 Silver - 10 Gold - 15+	Weekend Challenge! 11th & 12th Choose your favourite online workout (Joe Wicks or something similar)	
29th - High Knees 1 min Bronze - 20 Silver - 40 Gold - 60+	30th - Heel Flicks 1 min Bronze - 20 Silver - 40 Gold - 60+					

FORTHCOMING DATES/EVENTS

Forest School - weekly on Thursday afternoons

MAY 2026

Mon 18th - Class 2 Cross Country (rearranged date)
Tues 19th - Cricket
Tues 19th - Pentecost Picnic
Tues 19th - Y5/6 Tennis, Whitby
Wed 20th - Fri 22nd Class 2 Residential Visit to Beverley Park

JUNE 2026

Tues 2nd - Whole School Photo
Tues 2nd, 9th, 23rd, Mon 29th - Surfing for Class 2
Wed 3rd - 4 p.m. New Starter Parent Information Session
Fri 5th - LGB Meeting
Fri 5th - Y5/6 Quad Kids, Whitby
Fri 12th - Athletics, Middlesbrough Sports Village
Tues 16th - Fri 19th - Y6 Residential Visit to Paris
Tues 16th - Class 1 Quad Kids, Whitby
Wed 17th - Fitness Session, Skelton
Fri 26th - Sports Day and Summer Fair
Tues 30th - New Reception Transition Session

JULY 2026

Fri 3rd - Junior Short Hole Golf, Whitby Golf Club
Tues 7th - New Reception Transition Session
Tues 7th - Thur 9th - Transition Days for Y6 transferring to Whitby School
Wed 8th - Surfing for Class 2
Thur 9th - End of Year Show
Mon 13th - Y6 Crucial Crew, Scarborough
Thur 16th - End of Year Assembly/Beach BBQ
Thur 16th - Break up for Summer holidays