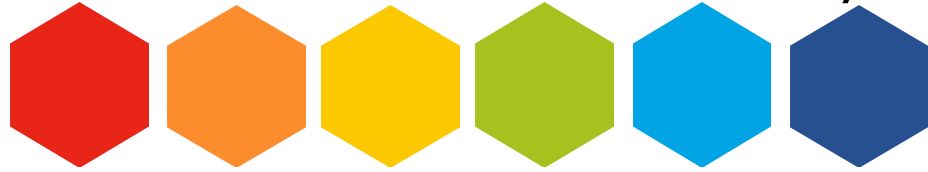


# Curriculum News



June/July 2017



## National Healthy School of the Year!

Farsley Farfield has been awarded national Healthy School of the Year at a glitzy ceremony at the Grosvenor House Hotel in London.

Having been on a shortlist of eight schools from across the UK, the judges said: "Farsley Farfield Primary School has shown exceptional long-term sustainable commitment to immersing children in healthy lifestyles from a young age. They are the worthy winners of this year's award."

This award is recognition of over ten years' work on food education, growing fruit and vegetables, engaging children in a comprehensive cooking curriculum and combining this with innovative PE lessons with lots of local partners such as Gymagic, Rawdon Tennis Club, The Depot, East Bradford Cycle Club and British Cycling.



We have had so many lovely comments and messages since the award - thank you!

## Spectacular S Factor Finale

The S Factor, led by Mrs Daniels and Mrs Galbraith, has been a fabulous spectacle again and showcased some fantastic scientists. After busy class-based heats, the finalists each presented their scientific demonstration in front of hundreds of children in the packed hall. The action was filmed live and displayed on a big screen for everyone to see. A panel of real scientists led by governor Bernice Ridley had the very difficult decision to make: who was the winner?

All the finalists got a prize, but the overall winners were Florence Parry in the infants and Cole Middleton in the juniors.

Many thanks to EVERYONE who entered the competition and we are grateful for the obvious high level of support from home. Well done all our super scientists!



# Staffing News

We are saying a sad goodbye to a number of staff at the end of term. We have four teachers moving on: Mrs Daniels, Mr Garlick, Mr Tiffany and Miss Sedman. Each of these four fine teachers has contributed valuably to Farfield over the years, leading subjects such as science, IT, PSHE and history. They have also been leading lights in the social side of Farfield and haven't been shy when we have put on staff pantos! Each of them has left their mark on this school and I know that the care they have given to children in their charge has been greatly appreciated by Farfield families. We wish them the very best of luck in their future careers; they will be missed.



## School News





## Other staff news

We are also saying goodbye to other valued colleagues this term.

Classroom assistants Mrs Waddington and Mrs Gilhooley are leaving the school. Mrs Gilhooley will be most remembered as our fearless 'the keeper of the bees' and she is moving on to teacher training. Mrs Waddington will be sadly missed and should probably go into 'Tidy Classroom' consulting! We wish them both the best of luck for the future!

Lunchtime assistant Mrs Bleasby is getting a multi-million pound transfer to Springbank (where she also has another job) - thanks for all your fantastic work Anita! Last but certainly not least, Mrs Dutton is retiring as lunchtime supervisor in the juniors after THIRTY years at the school. Generations of children have been cared for by Jackie and she is surely a local celebrity? A number of current parents who were once Farfield children will remember Mrs Dutton from their childhoods. She has certainly earned her retirement and will go down as a Farfield legend.

## School News



## Lots of infant academic success



A particular well done to Year 1 who have achieved an 88% pass rate in their phonic tests: well above national average and much higher than we have ever got before. This is testament to the hard work of staff, children and families.

Year 2 SATs results are very pleasing too: a rise in every measure and particularly strong in reading and 'Greater Depth' measures in reading, writing and maths. Well done everyone!



## Pudsey Mini-Olympics

Thirty children from Years 2-6 had a great day out at the John Charles Centre for Sport competing in the Pudsey Mini-Olympics.

There were lots of very good performances but Ty stood out as he was crowned the fastest U11 sprinter in the whole Pudsey area.

Well done Ty and everyone who represented themselves and the school so well!



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## Four exciting new teachers for Farfield

We have four new teachers joining our team in September, two of whom are shiny Newly Qualified Teachers beginning their careers at Farfield. They will be visiting the school in the week beginning July 10th to meet their new classes. Work has already started to make sure everyone hits the ground running in September.



Hello Farfield! My name is Miss Micklethwaite and I will be starting my teaching career in year 3 in September.

I'm extremely excited to start at Farsley Farfield as I have heard many great things about the school and its children. I am naturally a creative person and I incorporate this into my teaching to make learning fun.

When I'm not teaching, I enjoy reading and exploring the great outdoors.



Hello! My name is Mr Clay and I have worked as a teacher for 9 years. I am really excited to come to Farfield as I have heard such fantastic things about the school and its wonderful children. My favourite subjects are maths and science. I also love telling stories and like to share my own with my class. When I am not teaching, I like to go for walks in the Dales and explore new places!



Hello Farfield! My name is Miss Bray and I will be starting my teaching career in Year 1 in September. I have heard amazing things about you all so I am very excited to meet you. My favourite things to teach are phonics and science, but I also love finding ways of making all our lessons as exciting as possible! In my spare time I love anything that lets me be creative, from scrapbooking to sewing!



Hi! My name is Mr Beevers and I am delighted to say that I will be teaching in Year 3 in September. I have seen and heard about the great work that the children at Farsley Farfield do and am looking forward to helping them with their learning. Long before I started teaching, I used to be a chef and I still love to cook, especially food I have grown myself. My other hobbies are running, cycling and watching football. My favourite team? That's something you need to ask me...



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