



Fyling Hall Matters

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Oh The Places You Will Go...!

Dr Seuss thought so anyway! Travelling is good for the mind and the soul. It can be a relaxing break or a fun adventure break. Either way it is very important to get out and see the world. Our English teacher, Mrs Woodhead, has been doing just that.

Mrs Woodhead has been in Europe recently and this is what she had to say: "I had a fabulous time in Europe. We spent a month in Italy (Rome and the Amalfi Coast), a week in Germany and then several weeks in the South of France."

It is generally accepted that travelling, even just somewhere in the U.K. is great. It helps you relax and learn more about the way others live. Apart from helping you to learn about different cultures, you can meet new people and explore new places. Mark Twain once said "Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things you did do. So throw off

the bowlines, sail away from the safe harbour. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover."

Stop being safe and restricted, if you have the opportunity to go somewhere different, take it. If you don't you will regret it then possibly never get that opportunity again. Why live with regret?

The message I would give to Fyling Hall pupils is to experience new places and new ideas; sample the world outside of North Yorkshire because the ideas, people and places beyond are truly out of this world!"

Mrs Woodhead feels "changed" by her wonderful experience, so why not go and be changed by some amazing travel experience this year.

Bel M^cMahon



Form 3 Visit Pannett Park Museum

Remembrance Day At Fyling Hall

In our whole school assembly this week, we learnt that we wear poppies because they are the only flower that grew on the battlefields after World War1. They were, and still are, a symbol of hope for the soldiers and everyone affected by conflict. At FH we wear them with pride to remember all those who have lost their lives during conflict. The whole school gathered on the Junior School flagstones for a blustery, but moving memorial service. Pupils whose parents are in the Armed Forces read out the poem 'In Flanders' Field' which was then followed by a beautiful rendition of "The Last Post" by Konrad Lüdecke. Poppy seeds were also planted next to the school's memorial and tree and bench. After the music had ended we had our two minutes silence and crosses were planted by our commemorative bench.

Elfie Field

Words of the Week

This week Next week

Tricky: **miser** **brave**

Trickier: **skinflint** **adventurous**

Trickiest: **curmudgeon** **doughty**

On this day in 1914...

...World War One began. Last year websites and TV channels were bombarded by 100 year anniversary commemorations of the outbreak of the First World War. Year after year, remembrance services appear to attract more and more attention and wider audiences. Why? Is it perhaps the knowledge that the number of veterans from past conflicts and indeed those who had any direct connection with the World Wars, is inevitably declining, and with this comes the fear that memories of the war and the sacrifices made will be lost?

Connor Asprey

Are You Smarter Than A Chimp?

A mere 1.23% separates us from our cheeky chimp relatives, so why has the *Planet of the Apes* not begun? 50 years ago these primates were discarded as stupid animals, with no culture or sentiments. Today scientists have proven chimps' capability to use tools, work in teams and feel empathy. Scientists in the U.S have been studying the chimp Knuckles who suffers from cerebral palsy. Knuckles' troop never dared to take advantage or reject him, as would be common in other animals. Remarkably the alpha male took time to groom Knuckles, which is even rarer in animals. This is just one case of many where chimps have shown empathy and selflessness.

Chimps have flash memory, meaning that their immediate memory is far superior to any humans.

They can do this since their minds are only focused on the present whereas human minds are fixed on the past, present and future. In every test taken chimps have always outsmarted humans on any and every memory test. It has also been proven that your average chimp is more aware than your average human because of their flash memory.

Chimp intelligence is much like humans, it varies from person to person and every mind is different. However the smartest chimp on the planet is a female named Natasha. Scientists proved that she is smarter than your average U.S high school student. Overall we are safe, *Planet of the Apes* will not happen.

Corbin Shearing

The PTA

Ever wondered what the PTA does? I talked to the Chair, Angelique Russell to find out more.

What is the PTA?

It's the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) made up of parents and staff. We are known for our fundraising, but we have a social role too.

How do you raise funds?

You probably know PTA best for our cake sales, but we are much more! Usually we hold one event each term whether that is a concert, carols and mince pies at Mrs White's house or a Race Night at the local pub.

We are always looking for new fundraising ideas, and suggestions are always welcome!

How is the money spent?

PTA funds are intended to provide 'fun things' to the school that make the students' experiences more interesting and exciting.

Over the past few years we have funded:

- the recording equipment in the music room
- benches throughout the school
- tents for the Duke of Edinburgh Award
- Fyling Hall banners used at, and after, the Tour de Yorkshire

Phoebe Russell

The World According to Tom...



It's difficult for us to keep staff. we keep losing them to the fast food industry.

Inspirational Quote:

If you're not willing to learn, no one can help you. If you're determined to learn, no one can stop you. (Zig Ziglar)

The Week Ahead

Sat	14th	All day	London Cultural Trip Years 11-13
		10.30	Under 13 hockey and rugby v Hipperholme grammar (H)
Sun	15th	All day	London Cultural Trip Years 11-13
		10.30	Boarders to Fylingthorpe Methodist Church (Shoe Box Appeal)
		2.30	Trip to Clip n' Climb
Mon	16 th	20.00	London Cultural Trip Returns
Tues	17th	16.00	U13 Basketball Round Robin @ Eskdale
		16.00	U12 Netball Tournament @ Lady Lumley's
Wed	18 th	14.30	U13 Rugby v Red House (A)
Thurs	19th	16:00	U13 Basketball v CCW & Eskdale (H)
Sat	21st	10:00	1 st U15 Hockey v Durham (H)

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