



THORNTON IN CRAVEN

COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dates for your diary

Friday 14/12/18 – Reading challenge assembly

Friday 14/12/18 – Christmas jumper day for Save the Children

Monday 17/12/18 – Rec/Y1 Nativity 1.30pm and 6pm

Wednesday 19/12/18 – Non-uniform day

Wednesday 19/12/18 – School Disco

Friday 21/12/18 – Carol Concert at school – 1.30pm

Awards

Good news assembly will be on Friday 14th December 2018 at 3pm.

Awards will be given to:

Georgia Preston - working with a mature attitude to her work and for making good progress particularly in numeracy.

Eleanor Holtom – working hard in all areas. Puts maximum effort into lessons.

Joshua Haworth – showing a mature, helpful attitude at all times. Working hard in all areas making excellent progress.

Headteacher's Message

We are delighted that our new sound and lighting system has now been installed in the hall. We have the means to play music through lots of different devices, two sets of colour changing lights for stage productions plus various wireless microphones. Thank you to the PTA for raising and sourcing extra income for this. Also thank you to all of you for your support in raising money for this. The PTA has also been able to fund some of our new reading books which is greatly appreciated.

The PTA are currently organising a school disco for Wednesday 19th December.

Rec/Y1/Y2 will be at 5-6pm

Y3/4/5/6 will be at 6-7pm.

The charge is £2.50 and will include a drink and snack. If you have a young child or one that is nervous with loud noise, please arrange to stay with them. Any other helpers on that evening would also be appreciated. Thank you

Just to say....

Christmas Jumper Day – Save the Children. We will be supporting Save the Children's Christmas Jumper day this year. Children can wear Christmas jumpers/tops/dresses etc... for a donation to this cause. Please do not buy anything especially for this. There are lots of ways in which we can 'bling' up a normal jumper if we need to.

There will also be a **non-uniform day** on Wednesday 19th December. No donations are necessary.

I will be organising the certificates for the **reading challenge** next week. If you and your child have managed to gain an award and if you have time, please could you number the times you have read in their reading record. That should save me some time when looking through such a large number of reading records. Thank you



Class 1

In numeracy, we have looked at multiplication. We have used our knowledge of counting in 2s, 5s and 10s to solve these. We have used equal groups and arrays to help us solve calculations. We have also started to solve multiplication problems. The reception children have looked at counting in 2s using our shoes to help us. In Literacy, we finished our own version of Little Red Riding Hood. We have tried hard to use adjectives and exciting vocabulary to make our stories more interesting. The reception children are continuing to write CVC words and CCVC words. In topic we have looked at the planets. We named the planets and found out different facts based on these. We then used pastels to create our own planet pictures. These will be on display soon. We are still continuing to practice the nativity and the scenery has now gone up which is very exciting.

Class 2

In literacy this week, we have looked at extending traditional stories. We talked about how traditional stories can be different slightly in each version. We listened to different versions of the Gingerbread man - one where the gingerbread man survives and one where he was eaten. We then wrote our own stories changing the main character. We looked at noun phrases, sentence punctuation, commas and using adverbials. In numeracy, we have studied length and measure and Year 4 worked on decimals, money and measure. In science, we discovered that a lot of our plants had sadly died (or looked very unwell) when water, or air, or light etc... had been withdrawn. Our topic work centred around Viking life and we made posters showing the facts we had discovered. In RE, we have learned about the gift of this time of year and we made clay coasters adding mosaic tiles to these.

Class 3

In topic, we recreated Stone Henge from custard creams and found out about Stone Henge. We then got to enjoy a few custard creams as reward for our hard work! In numeracy, we discovered that angles on a straight line will equal 180 degrees and we used this fact to find missing angles. Also in numeracy we have converted fractions to decimals and vice versa. In literacy, we have looked at the Witches scene from Macbeth. We looked about how Shakespeare wrote the spells as rhyming couplet poetry and we used the same rules to write rhyming spells of our own. Some gruesome items ended up in the cauldron! We have been excited about our trip to London and had the opportunity to ask questions after a power point presentation - it was mainly about where we were sat on the train and what sandwich was available at King's cross!

This week in After-School club:

We have made concertina Christmas trees as part of art and craft. We also baked mince pies and jam tarts making the pastry ourselves as well. A magic set was donated to after school club too so we have really enjoyed playing with that and performing different tricks. Last Friday we put the Christmas tree up in the hall ready for this week.