



THORNTON IN CRAVEN

COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dates for your diary

09/01/2018 – Back to school
19/01/2018 – Rec/Y1 visit to watch Bear and the Butterfly at Skipton Town Hall
23/01/2018 – Y5/6 Young Voices

Next week's awards

The next good news assembly will be on Friday 19th January.

Attendance

Attendance letters will be sent in January. We are aware that there has been significant sickness that will have impacted on our attendance. However, please consider your child's attendance if considering a term-time holiday. Attendance that dips under 90% due to taking a holiday (and not just sickness) will result in a referral. Therefore, if your child's attendance is already lower than 95%, please consider carefully the impact of any further absence.

Reception - 96.25%
Year 1 – 92.97%
Year 2 – 95.98%
Year 3 – 93.75%
Year 4 – 95.50%
Year 5 – 93.75%
Year 6 – 95.14%
Whole School – 94.82%

Headteacher's Message

It was a wonderful carol service this afternoon. The children sang with such confidence and enthusiasm. It is always a favourite time of the year, when we all come together as one community. A huge well done to all the children and staff for superb performances this week. The Nativity on Monday was excellent with children speaking and singing with confidence throughout and it was highly entertaining. Thank you again to the staff for the many hours that go into these. Thank you to all who came and supported both events, we hope you enjoyed them as much as we did. Around school, there has been lots of hard work as well with children completing their DT projects which has involved sewing, sandwich making and baking salt dough.

I would like to thank the children and the staff for all their hard work this term and all of you for your continued support.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all.



Thank you to the PTA and DJ Stuiie for putting on a fantastic disco last night that was enjoyed by all. This term, the PTA have organised the school disco and non-uniform days plus organised a bag packing session for next term. Details will follow in the new year. The number of active PTA members is dwindling so we would really appreciate further support next term.

Due to Norovirus, we had to cancel our planned trip to Thornton Hill Nursing home but the children made a card for every resident and these has been well received.



Class 1

Class 1 enjoyed their nativity on Monday and sang brilliantly. The evening performance in particular was a fantastic celebration and it went particularly well. Well done. Throughout the week, the children have enjoyed Christmas related activities such as baking salt dough decorations, making calendars and Christmas cards.

We have collected in reading books - this is because a number are missing and we need to check stock and order any replacements that are needed. Don't forget that children can access reading eggs in order to read throughout the holidays. Oxford Owl also has a large number of phonic ebooks that can be accessed via a PC or tablet.

Class 2

Class 2 really enjoyed making their DT sandwiches. They learnt about food safety and safe food preparation techniques before getting all the ingredients ready through washing and chopping the fillings. The children then assembled their sandwiches and enjoyed them alongside carrot sticks, and home-made coleslaw. For pudding, they enjoyed a biscuit and flapjack. They then all helped to clear up. The children have also enjoyed other Christmas themed activities throughout the week.

Times-table's tests will continue next term. Please ask your child about the times-table that they are focusing on and put them under pressure by asking them times tables questions at different times of the day. Can they answer them instantly?

Class 3

This week, the children have been solving maths problems in groups. They have planned persuasive adverts and performed these to the class. They were aiming to persuade visitors to visit an Ancient Mayan landmark. They have also made Christmas cards and sewed Christmas decorations.

Next term Y4/5/6 will be sewing pencil cases for DT; if anyone has any unwanted pencil cases please could you send them in so the children can analyse the design and how they are constructed. Thank you.