



THORNTON IN CRAVEN

COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 16/01/19 – Craven Museum delivering a workshop to class 1

Monday 21/01/19 – First sportscool of this half term

Wednesday 23/01/19 – Swimming Gala

Thursday 24/01/19 – Bingo Night – 6pm start

Friday 22/02/19 – Break up for half term

Awards

Good news assembly will be on Friday 18th January 2019 at 3pm.

Awards will be given to:

Roman Bradley – excellent work ethic, fantastic progress in reading and writing.

Evie Wright – for excellent work in all areas and always showing a helpful, mature attitude.

Kieran Darvill – showing a good attitude to learning in all subjects and becoming a good year 6 role model.

Headteacher's Message

Happy New Year!

I hope everyone had a lovely break over the festive period. There are a few changes here at school as we start a new term. Firstly, we have split our reading and maths lessons into four classes instead of three. Year 4 and half of year 5 will be taught by myself in the hall every morning until the end of the Summer 1 half term. This means that each group is a much smaller group. We are also launching our times tables challenge on Monday so look out for a letter being sent home. There will also be a letter containing a log in for Times Tables Rock Stars which is an exciting new game/app for children to use at home.

Just to say....

Our school office hours are being reduced slightly – there may be no one in the school office on Tuesdays or Thursday afternoons but leave a message no one answers the phone and someone will get back to you quickly.

We will be welcoming a teacher trainee to school shortly. She will be mainly based in class 1 and I am sure everyone will make her welcome.



Bingo letters have been sent home. This is always a really fun family evening so we hope that plenty of families will be able to join us.



Class 1

In Numeracy we have looked at 2-digit numbers and identified the tens and units in the numbers, we compared the numbers using the information. The Y2 children used the tens and units in numbers to apply to addition and subtraction. The reception children have focused on teen numbers this week. In Literacy we have used our senses to create a description of the characters journey from our video clip. We have tried hard to think of different adjectives to create an interesting piece of writing. In History we have started to look at life stages and have looked at our baby photos to see how we have changed from baby/toddler to now. In ICT we have started to use Beebots, we discussed how they are a robot which needs programming. We worked in partners to be a programmer and a robot. In RE we have started to look at Sikhism and in PE we are beginning to complete circuits. We also discussed the new year and set new years resolutions.

Class 2

In numeracy, year 4 have been rounding large numbers to the nearest 10, 100, 1000 or even 10000 before moving on to work on negative numbers while year 2 and 3 have been counting in 3's and 50's. We problem solved using function machines and inverse operations when finding 1, 10 or 100 more or less. In Literacy, year 2, 3 and 4 have looked at a story with an element of fantasy. A bear comes to life in our book so we planned stories where the bear visits our school! We turned our sentences into more detailed paragraphs. In topic we looked at our new topic of rainforests and looked at countries of the world which included them. We learnt about the Equator line and how it affects the weather. In science, we began our sound topic and we went on a sound walk to identify where the quietest and noisiest places were. In art, we looked closely at animal patterns and then drew close up versions of the prints we looked at. In PE, we enjoyed developing our frisby and basketball skills (not in the same lesson!).

Class 3

We have had a busy first week back after Christmas. In topic are looking at The UK, we started this topic in our art lesson by making a viewfinder to look at a particular part of Monet's painting of the Houses of Parliament which we copied using artists pencils. In science we are looking at electricity. We looked at the different symbols used to show an electrical circuit, and discussed what components were needed to make a circuit work. In literacy we have looked at the story Romeo and Juliet and wrote descriptions of the main characters. In Maths year 6 have been learning about algebra and looked at the pattern of sequences writing a formula for the pattern and looked at possibilities of numbers an equation can represent. Year 5 have been looking at larger numbers up to 1 000 000 and rounding to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000. We also had a fun PE lesson learning basketball skills and playing a mini game.

This week in After-School club:

On Tuesday we enjoyed baking chocolate chip cookies. In our craft session we were busy finger knitting and made some snakes and headbands.