



THORNTON IN CRAVEN

COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dates for your diary

25/09/2020 - Macmillan Coffee morning - children can buy a drink and a bun and wear green for donations to the charity,

16/10/2020 - Harvest celebration - children's work will be sent out remotely for all to enjoy

19/10/2020 - Parent Phone consultations

23/10/2020 - Break up for half term.

Headteacher Awards

Headteacher awards will start to be published from next week. We will feature the child with their award and reason for receiving it. **If you do not consent to your child being in the newsletter then please do let us know.**

Headteacher's Message

It has been a lovely but very busy first week back at school. The children have settled back in to a routine really quickly and they are working very hard. We have welcomed our new reception children and our nursery children. They have settled really well and it lovely to hear lots of laughter and enjoyment throughout the school. The whole school has welcomed all our new children including some children that have joined us in other year groups. This half term is going to be interesting as we continue to work through this pandemic period. It is very busy and stressful so thank you so much for your patience with us as we establish routines particularly when we change them and have to send endless communications!

Just to say....

School Photographs – these will hopefully take place in November as an individual pupil photograph but not sibling ones (unless everything relaxes). This is because siblings cannot enter another class bubble in order to have the photo taken.

Our **Harvest festival** will be virtual. Children will complete Harvest related work which will be sent out as a presentation.

Class 1

We have had a great week settling into our new classroom and making lots of new friends. We are trying to remember our friend's names and have played games to help consolidate this. We have discussed our class and school rules and have explained what happens when we are spotted doing the right thing and also what happens if we are ever spotted doing the wrong thing. In maths we have used our birthdays as a focus looking at how old we are, how old we have been and how old we will be on our next birthday. The children have shown just how much number knowledge they already have. We have looked at forming letters and are ready to start phonics lessons next week. We have enjoyed our first PE lesson with Ben our sports coach.

Class 2

We have had a lovely 1st week and the children have settled in really well to their new class. We welcome Erin into the class and all the year ones. Mrs K called in at our classroom door to talk to us about Australian animals and Aboriginal art and show us some of the items she had at home.

We have enjoyed making new friends within our bubble and we worked brilliantly to discuss our learning about the Great Fire of London. The year ones have enjoyed learning about the topics through provision and the children in year 2 are enthusiastically tackling their phonics. Everyone has had a great start back and it is like we've never been away.

Class 3

What a lovely start to the new school year - we have been really impressed at how quickly the children have adapted to our new routines. We have also welcomed Thomas into our class, lovely to have you. In numeracy we have been using place value to help us represent numbers in different ways and with Mrs Maloney we have been looking at addition and subtraction. We have started our science, history and geography topics and particularly enjoyed our art lesson outside. We had to try and draw our partner by only looking at them and NOT what we were drawing. Trickier than it sounds! Looking forward to seeing you for more next week Class 3. Don't forget maths homework for Monday everyone!

Class 4

We have had a brilliant start to the new school year in Class 4 - quickly adapting to being back in school and getting used to and enjoying being back together! Cian and Jasmine already feel like they have been with our class forever! We are set for a super year ahead.

We have started studying, 'The Iron Man', and have already produced some super, descriptive writing. We have also done some initial assessments so we can plan the curriculum ahead. Yesterday, during our Kwik cricket session, it was so nice to see the children interacting and smiling - it certainly feels more like our school!

This week in After-School club:

The school kitchen is now making our snack which we have really enjoyed. We are in very small bubbles of children but we have enjoyed seeing each other, doing art activities and playing outside after school.