



THORNTON IN CRAVEN

COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dates for your diary

01/03/2018 – World Book Day – decorate an egg as a book character

12-16 March 2018 – Science Week

23/03/2018 – Easter Service 2.30pm at school

26-29 March 2018 – Year 5/6 Bewerley Park

29/03/2018 – Class 2 (Y2/3/4) to see Awful Auntie at the Alhambra plus visit to Cartwright Hall Art Gallery

29/03/2018 – Break up for Easter

17/04/2018 – Back to school

14-18 May 2018 – Y6 SATs week

Next week's awards

The next good news assembly will be on Friday 2nd March 2018.

Awards will be given to:

Ava Aldren - working extremely hard in all areas. Always helpful to others.

Eleanor Holtom - for superb progress particularly in her writing.

Mason Ross-Bryar - for focus and effort and for superb work particularly in maths.

Headteacher's Message

We had three excellent e-safety lessons yesterday with all the children led by Paul Stephenson, Police Youth Officer. This was followed by a parent meeting where Paul outlined the dangers of the internet. Just like road safety, E-safety starts and continues at home; we can educate about it at school but it is your vigilance that is the most important part of keeping children safe online. On the next page there is some advice and useful links but please keep talking to your children about e-safety. Please make sure that you know what your children are watching/playing on. It is very easy for strangers to make contact with children online. Paul stated that the police are only able to investigate 1% of inappropriate contact/conduct online because there is so much of it!

World Book Day

Next Thursday is World Book Day and we are having a 'decorate an egg as a book character competition.' Please can children bring their entries to school next Thursday morning and prizes will be given out.

PTA NEWS

Bag Packing

A letter about bag packing at Tesco has been sent home in bookbags. Some replies have already come into school which is brilliant. Your support is really appreciated.

Bingo Night

A letter about bingo night has gone home in bookbags. Please send in money and a reply slip so that tickets can be sent home. Tickets can also be purchased on the night.

Year 2/3/4 trip – 29th March

As we will be studying the work of David Hockney in Class 2's art lessons this half term, we have added a visit to Cartwright Hall Art Gallery onto the itinerary for the Trip to Bradford to see Awful Auntie. The children will therefore need a packed lunch on that day but details will be sent in a letter.

Class 1

This week, we have introduced our new superheroes topic and created our own superhero identity. In topic, we are looking at real-life superheroes including Grace Darling. We talked about why she was a superhero and looked at her story. In science, we made spinners and then investigated if they fell faster when they were heavier. We talked about making a fair test, what we were measuring and what we changed.

Class 2

We have worked hard in our assessments. In poetry, we have looked at how images are created in our minds through the language a poet uses. We have explored how grammar is used for effect. In mathematics, we worked on our written methods for calculation and checked our answers using the inverse. In topic, we have looked at rivers and canals around the area.

Class 3

In literacy, we have written our discussion texts forming an argument as to whether we should wear school uniform or not. In DT, we have started looking at pencil case design. We also did art and coloured soup cans in the style of Andy Warhol. In maths, we made posters to help us remember the rules for adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing fractions. Ask us at home to see if we remember!

E-Safety

Resources can be found on <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/> This is a very useful site with age appropriate videos for you to watch with your children and discuss. If your children play games such as minecraft or roblox do you know that there are often other people playing and there are chat features on many games. Roblox in particular has been in the news many times as it has been used to gain access to children via the chat feature. "The chat function poses a real danger to children playing this popular game," explains ySafe psychologist Jordan Foster, a leading Cyber Expert at Family Zone. "With limited safety measures embedded within the game, children are open prey for predators to communicate with. "Consider it similar to sending a child out into a real room filled with strangers, with no barriers in place to stop people being able to talk to whomever they like.'

There are ways to enable internet filters on home computers and this is recommended. However, sites that cause children concern will pop up, so talk to your children about what to do so they know that you won't be cross if they tell you that they have seen something that makes them uncomfortable.

Our website has other useful links, including how to add parent filters on to devices such as playstations and X-boxes.

We would never send our children out into the world without teaching them road-safety, e-safety is just as important. If you ever have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to ask.