



# THORNTON IN CRAVEN

## COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Dates for your diary

- 02/03/2020** – Fairtrade day – please pay £1 and wear blue/green/black non uniform. Cake sale – buns and biscuits for sale.
- 02/03/2020** Sports cool – Street Dance, first session 3.30pm to 4.30pm
- 05/03/2020** – World Book Day
- 6/03/20**– C1 stay and play 9am.
- 09/03/20** – Science Week
- 20/03/20** – Class 3 trip to Herd Farm, Leeds
- 30/03/20** – Class 4 trip to a Mandir and Bradford Cathedral
- 31/03/20** – C1 stay and play 2:30pm.
- 02/04/20** – Non school uniform, pay £1, to raise money for Friends of Thornton School.
- 02/04/20** – Break up

**The next Good news Assembly will be on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 3pm**

**Emma Carter** - fantastic effort with reading and writing, always participating with enthusiasm.

**Ben Presley** - fantastic responses to the text in Literacy.

**Mia Sample** - for being a supportive learning partner.

**Isabella Wright** - always challenging herself and working to her full potential.

### Headteacher's Message

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** – we will be having a Fairtrade Bake Sale and Non-Uniform (wear Fairtrade colours please of black, green and blue). £1.00 for non-uniform and a cake. Class 4 will be selling their cakes from 3pm in class 4 – please support them. Class 4 have chosen to donate to 'The Alzheimer's Society' and to buy some FairTrade/Cocoa-Life Easter Eggs for our local FoodBank.

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March** – 'Dress as a homophone' World Book Day. A reminder to design a costume that shows homophones in action e.g which/witch, blew/blue, red/read etc...

**Coronavirus** – a letter detailing the up to date coronavirus information has been sent to all parents. We will keep you informed of any changes as and when they occur. We have been advised previously by NYCC health and safety that young children should not use alcohol based hand gel as it is absorbed by the skin and can be damaging to joints. I have contacted NYCC for up to date advice on this as the education posters advise use of soap or hand sanitizer. The latest poster of advice

### Advice on the coronavirus for places of education

#### How serious is the coronavirus?

- it can cause flu-like symptoms, including fever, cough & difficulty breathing
- the infection is not serious for most people, including children
- there is currently no vaccine
- most people get better with enough rest, water to drink and medicine for pain

#### How likely are you to catch the virus?

- you can only catch it if you have been close to a person who has the virus
- the chance of being in contact with the virus is currently low in the UK
- if you have travelled to areas where many people are infected, your chance of catching the virus is higher, i.e. China and any affected areas

#### How can you stop coronaviruses spreading?

##### If you need to cough or sneeze



##### You should wash hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser



✓ Try not to touch your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands

✓ Do not share items that come into contact with your mouth such as cups & bottles

✓ If unwell do not share items such as bedding, dishes, pencils & towels



Stop germs spreading with our e-Bug resources on hand and respiratory hygiene lesson plans for KS1, 2 and 3: [campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/schools](http://campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/schools)

#### What should you do if you feel unwell?

Keep away from others and stay at home to stop the infection spreading. Avoid public transport if you think you have symptoms of coronavirus. If you become unwell at a place of education, tell a member of staff and let them know if you have travelled to any other countries in the last 14 days.

If your staff member or parent thinks you have symptoms of coronavirus, they should call NHS 111 for advice. Follow the UK Government advice for childcare or educational settings [gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19](http://gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19). Parents can visit [NHS.UK](http://NHS.UK) to find out more information. Teachers and support staff should follow the UK Government advice.

Staff, students and pupils who have returned from Wuhan and Hubei Province in China should self isolate, and NOT attend education or work for 14 days.



### **Class 1**

It is great to be back at school and hear what fun things the children have done over the half term. We enjoyed the snow on Monday morning and ventured onto the field to explore - the children enjoyed building snowmen, playing football in the snow and looking at ways to melt the snow. Pancake Day has been our theme this week. We learnt why we celebrate Shrove Tuesday and then enjoyed making and tasting our own pancakes. This led to lots of writing opportunities in provision including shopping lists, instructions and our favourite toppings. In maths we have been comparing numbers using more than, less than and equal and we have also completed missing number tracks. We enjoyed finding the pulse to a range of songs in music.

### **Class 2**

On Monday morning we took advantage of the snow to create beautiful snow pictures and explore how the seasons change over the year. Year one have had a lovely morning at Thornton Hill Care Home interacting with the residents in a 1940's themed drama. The children and residents really enjoyed the experience. A huge thank you to the parents who came with us. Year 2 investigated the best way to make pancakes. Just like the main character in our story we have started growing some potatoes and learnt about the different parts of the plants. We looked at different ways to show numbers in maths and continued our shape learning by creating repeating patterns. Our topic on Africa has begun by looking at Nelson Mandela.

### **Class 3**

In maths this week we have been focusing on the 7 and 8 times tables and then looking for patterns to help us solve different multiplication and division problems. In literacy we have created cartoon strips to predict the next of Ug's Stone Age inventions in preparation for writing a narrative next week. We have started our new science topic of light, completed our cave art pieces and drawn a reconstruction of a Bronze Age round house using evidence from archaeological finds. True history detectives!

### **Class 4**

We have been looking at religious beliefs about forgiveness and generosity, with a particular focus on what Jesus teaches Christians - the children came up with many thoughtful ideas and discussions. In particular, we considered different levels of forgiveness and how in forgiving fully we can improve relationships and friendships. In music we have started our unit on recorder playing! We are hoping to develop a harmonious ensemble by the end of term! In have also started to write non chronological reports on a subject of particular interest to us. For DT this term we are looking at British food and enjoyed taste testing some of the food that makes up a Ploughman's lunch In PE we practiced tennis skills throwing and hitting the ball over the net to a partner.

### **This week in After-School club**

We have been taking advantage of some dry weather and have got outside to play a few times. On Tuesday we couldn't resist making and eating some scotch pancakes, and then on Thursday we also made some delicious finger shortbread. In arts and crafts the children enjoyed creating some Aboriginal animal art with dot painting using cotton buds.