



# THORNTON IN CRAVEN

## COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Dates for your diary

**Thursday 25/10/2018** - Break up for half term.

**Friday 26/10/18** – Training Day – no pupils in school.

**Monday 05/11/18** – Back to school

**Tuesday 06/11/18** – Year 6 parent consults

**Wednesday 07/11/18** – parent consults

**Friday 07/12/18** – Y5/6 London Trip

**Monday 17/12/18** – Rec/Y1 Nativity 1.30pm and 6pm

**Friday 21/12/18** – Carol Concert at school – 1.30pm

### Awards

**There isn't an assembly on the first Friday back after half term. The next good news assembly will on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November.**

### Headteacher's Message

I will be sending out the details of a new reading homework next half term. We would like a parent or significant adult to record when they read to their child in their reading journal (even year 6!). For class 2, this can be counted as one of the five reading sessions. Reading to your child (particularly if they can see the words with you) is very important and has many benefits for their reading comprehension and their understanding of vocabulary. They are more likely to ask a parent what a word means or to hear the correct pronunciation of words. Children are also more likely to discuss the story. I know many of you are already doing this but we would love to see all pupils having regular access to stories read to them outside of school. Books can be borrowed from class libraries and the school library.

Children and their parents will be able to work towards a bronze, silver or gold award.

### **Just to say....**

We've had some variations on uniform and school shoes this half term. Can children return to school in **full uniform, wearing school shoes** after half term please. Also please name EVERYTHING. Thank you.

**Packed Lunches** – please can packed lunches be healthy (not chocolate/sweets). Also if packing grapes, cherry tomatoes etc... please could these be chopped in half lengthways. You may not do this at home but we have to supervise a lot of children eating at once and they often laugh and chat to their friends so we want to minimise any choking hazards. Thank you.

A reminder to send in the names/details of any family members who served in the **First World War** so children can dedicate their poppy to them.



### Class 1

In numeracy this week we have started to look at subtraction. We used stories to help us understand the concept and discussed it means taking things away. The Y1 children have used counters to help them subtract and have also used pictorial methods. The Y2 children have looked at subtracting ten from a given number. Both year groups then applied this to problem solving. The reception children played a subtraction game to see who could lose their tower of cubes first by taking away amounts. In literacy we have continued to create our non-fiction fact sheets and these will be up on display very soon. The reception have tried hard to label a woolly mammoth. In topic we looked at human and physical features within the local area. Our topic after half term will be Space with a focus on Neil Armstrong.

### Class 2

In Maths we have worked on adding and subtracting in 2 digit numbers and all the way up to 4 digits with our Year 4's. In Literacy, we wrote our news into newspaper articles and worked on neatening our handwriting too. In topic, we looked at our final work about pollution in our oceans and how we can reuse, reduce and recycle in our homes. In PE we ran around in Dodgeball. The children made posters on sea animals and how they are affected by plastic that is thrown away in the world.

### Class 3

This week we have edited and completed our play scripts and we have looked at decimals in numeracy. In topic, we made a quiz about the water cycle. In PE, we had a great game of capture the flag and worked on our netball skills. The trip today was absolutely fantastic, both places of worship were extremely welcoming and delivered informative sessions for the children. The pupil's behaviour was superb, they listened attentively, showed respect at all times and asked insightful questions.



### This week in After-School club:

We have been making different Halloween paper lanterns and on Tuesday we baked Halloween biscuits. The children have also been enjoying hula hooping and playing table tennis.