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Week ending 7th October 2016

I have been reminded again this week about why I became a teacher. Firstly and foremost it's because I believe that acquiring a first class education should never be a privilege for the few but a right for all children. I'm also old enough (you may not believe this 😊) to have seen many changes in education but one thing has remained firmly ingrained in my educational philosophy, that being creativity. Amidst all the recent changes and increased expectations I still strongly advocate a rich and varied creative curriculum where children are not stifled but are nurtured and allowed to flourish. Have a look at this video that I came across, it really makes me smile.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pwe-pA6TaZk>

Thank you for making a special effort to come to our first curriculum and assessment evening. Don't worry if you couldn't make it, I will be available at parents' night to fill you in.

At this point I just need to mention our wonderful PTA who are working passionately and tirelessly to arrange a series of events across the year. Their efforts are all given freely and voluntarily to raise funds to benefit the children in our school. I know many of us lead busy lives and struggle to give time but as parents you are all members of the PTA and I would strongly recommend you consider how you could offer your help. If you can't make meetings then please feel free to email your suggestions to the school office address. The launch meeting went well, with plenty of ideas and discussions. One thing that was discussed was our school vision of being an outward looking school, part of this being helping people less fortunate than ourselves. We will, in due course, be giving our pupils a voice in who and what they would like to support over the year. We will help them decide by inviting charities in to school to talk to the children. Some children will also be invited to attend a pupil voice conference in Harrogate on the 4th November.

We kicked this off last week with a fabulous response to our Macmillan coffee afternoon and raised a whopping **£115.97**. Thank you for all your wonderful culinary contributions. Thanks also for your generous Harvest donations.

Mrs Sharples went to an etwinning meeting this week to discuss plans to collaborate with local schools and European schools in a Christmas project - more details to follow

Plans to remember- I met with Robin this week to discuss our plans for remembrance. It will fall this year on our collective worship day but you will also be invited to a short memorial at 11am with the rest of the school. Kildwick School will be laying a wreath.

Thank you also for taking the time to fill in the questionnaire that I sent out last week. I will be collating all responses - positive and areas for improvement. One thing I will be doing next week is sending out a yearly calendar of events. I will resend this termly as further events are added.

We even made the front page of the Craven Herald last week for our 'Roald Dahl' extravaganza.

I think I need to calm down and give you a rest from all my ramblings.

Have a great weekend

Tim Whitehead
Head Teacher

Clubs – Week commencing 10th October

Day	Diary
Tuesday 11 th Oct	Year 4 / 5 / 6 running club - Cancelled
Weds 5 th Oct pm	Football – year 5 / 6 Cancelled
Thurs 6 th Oct pm	Multi sports - year 5 / 6
Thursday 6 th am	Gymnastics – year 1 / 2
Thursday 6 th pm	Mini Ringers Bell Club
Friday 7 th am	Gymnastics – year 3 / 4

Please note – Running club is cancelled on Tuesday due to the cross country races at Cliffe Castle

Please note – Football on Weds is cancelled due to the football tournament at South Craven on Tuesday 11th October.

Healthy Snack

Thank you for your continued support with regard to water and snack at playtime.

Please could I request that only fruit (no fruit winder or yo yo) and water is brought to school as a playtime snack. I am mindful of our Healthy School status and the sugar content of such foods. It is also causing unnecessary litter in the playground which in turn has attracted a multitude of wasps.

Awards and Achievements

The following children completed the Summer Reading Challenge:

Thomas Jenkins
Angus Firth
Sasha Davies
Ben McManus
Erin Swinton
Harvey Osborne
Thomas Demain
Ewan Meegan
Ben Dearden
Otis Brooks
Alfie Swinton
Anna Calvert
Erin Dearden
Oscar Hamblett
Oliver Smith
Isobel Smith
Freya Kinnear
Stella Osborne
Izabel Hamblett
Isla Kinnear
Well done!!!

Star of the Week

Class 1 – Eliza Gillard for being hard working, kind and always trying hard.

Class 2 – Lottie Tole – Super effort all the time

Class 3 – Phoebe Barwick – for being hardworking and helpful

Class 4 – Katie – for being a fantastic, kind and helpful member of the class

Class 5 – Tom Smurthwaite – For being kind and enjoying others' success.

A very Happy Birthday to the following children

Kate Boumphrey – Year 6 – 4th October

Ethan Bean – Year 2 - 5th October

Zakariyah Shan – Year 4 – 6th October

Harry Rees – Reception – 8th October

Calendar

Friday 14th October – Class 5 assembly to parents – 2.45pm

Week beginning 17th October – Parents' evening

Wednesday 12th October - Cross Country at Cliffe Castle – 3.30pm.

Thursday 20th October – PTA Movie night. – See separate email for details.

School closes for half term – Friday 21st October

School reopens for children on Tuesday 1st November

10th November – EYFS Open day for prospective new parents – 2.30pm – 6.30pm

11th November – Remembrance Day – meet at memorial at 10.50am.

11th November – Collective Worship in church at 2.45pm

18th November – Children in Need

22nd November – Scholastic Book fayre in school all week

3rd December – Christmas Fayre – 10am – 1pm

5th December – Santa Fun Run

8th December – Christmas Disco PTA

13th December – Nativity Performance – 6.30pm in Church

14th December – Nativity Performance – 2pm in Church

16th December – End of Autumn Term

Parents' evening – week beginning 17th October

You will have received a letter inviting you to make an appointment for our forthcoming parents' evening. This will be a valuable opportunity to discuss progress, next steps and how your child is settling into class.

SportsCool

SportsCool will be running a lunchtime multi sports club every Thursday, starting next week. See below for a timetable for each class. This will take place on the Rec, in all weathers, so please make sure children have the correct footwear and appropriate clothing.

Day	Class
Thursday 13 th Oct	Class 2
Thursday 20 th Oct	Class 1

Keighley and Craven schools Cross Country series

We have had a fantastic response to this event. If you have indicated you may need help with transport then Mrs Chapman will be in touch with you shortly to discuss arrangements. All other parents will need to collect their children at approximately 3pm from school. **A quick reminder to let Mrs Chapman have your £1 entry fee.**

The members of **Farnhill Methodist Church** are holding a coffee morning on the 8th October (tomorrow) between 10-11.30am. All proceeds will be donated to school. Please support this event if you can.



family learning festival

It's a Screen!

Family Learning Workshop

**Digital Comics & Ziptales for children +
craft activity**

Adults download free magazines

Wednesday 26th October

2.30pm-4.00pm

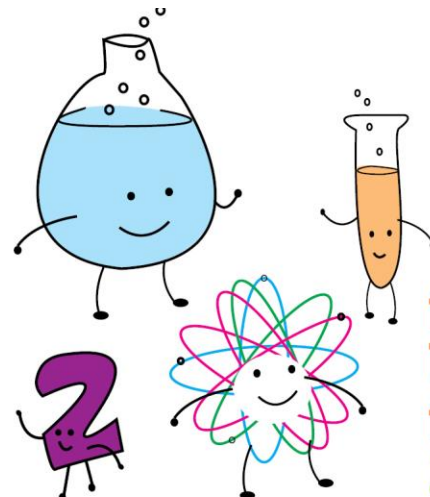
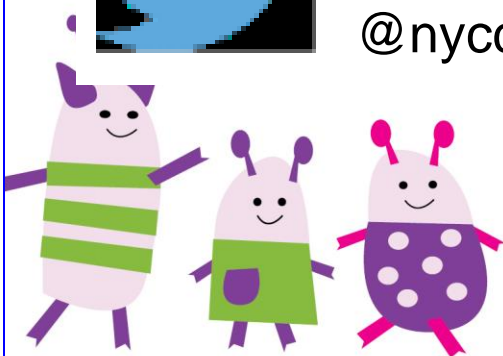
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