

# Hunton & Arrathorne Community Primary School

## Newsletter

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children looked super (and very comfortable!) wearing what makes them happy as part of our Children in Need celebrations today. The School Council will total the final amount (after it has been in quarantine!) and we will let you know the grand total next week.

Everybody has been very busy in their classrooms as well – it was fantastic to hear Class 1 singing ‘*Off we go to Forest School*’ at full volume yesterday afternoon. It certainly looked like they were having a super time. Class 2 have also really impressed me when I popped in to see some super History work and I have thoroughly enjoyed continuing to get to know the wonderful Class 3 on a Thursday and Friday!

As always, please do get in touch if I can help in any way.

Mr Donaldson



### Remembrance

We are sure you will agree that the front of school, decorated with poppies, looks beautiful. A special thank you to Mrs. Shanley and the Military Kids Club who have really taken the lead on this tribute to those that we remember on Remembrance Day.

The children also had the opportunity to watch selected highlights from the ‘Children’s Service of Remembrance’ which was held at Ripon Cathedral last week.

### **STAFF TRAINING – MONDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

Please remember that **school is closed on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November** for staff training.

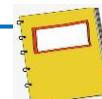
### NEW STARTERS 2021

Are you, or do you know someone who is, looking for a school place for September 2021? Why not give the School Office a call and arrange a socially distanced tour of our wonderful school?

### Staffing News

As you may know, Mrs. Webster will begin her maternity leave shortly. We have recruited a General Teaching Assistant to cover Mrs Webster’s maternity leave.

Mrs Victoria Norris will begin working with us over the next couple of weeks so she can get to know the children. Up until this year, Mrs. Norris was a teacher at a school near Thirsk. We are sure she will become a valued member of our team and know that she will be welcomed into our school family whilst Mrs. Webster is away.



### Items from home

We know that, before half-term, some children were bringing notebooks in from home. In light of the latest guidance from North Yorkshire County Council we must once again ask that no items which are not essential are brought in. Thank you for your co-operation.

### Around the Classes...

**Class 1:** This week we have discovered that part of our school was built in Victorian Times. We have been History Detectives looking for clues inside and out. We have also had our first Forest Schools session and having fun with sticks (that weren’t just sticks!)

**Class 2:** This week class 2 are reading about Pompeii and the eruption of Mount Vesuvius to coincide with our Romans Topic. We also constructed a Roman chariot out of paper and will be thinking about how we can make our own chariots with moving wheels.

**Class 3:** In Class 3 this week, we have worked hard to investigate and measure angles with protractors. We have orally rehearsed and performed ‘The Silver Swan’ by Michael Morpurgo and really impressed with super vocabulary.

### DIARY DATES

Date	Event	Action
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	School Closed – Training Day	Parents informed
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Forest School – All Classes	Details to follow
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day	Details to follow
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Class 1 Nativity	Details to follow
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Party	Details to follow
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	School Closes – Christmas Holiday	Parents informed
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	School Closed – Training Day	Parents informed
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	School Opens – Spring Term	Parents informed

#### Covid—19 Reminders

- Please wear a face covering when dropping off or collecting children.
- Please make sure you vacate the playground as soon as your children are collected.
- Please ensure you socially distance when you are waiting for your children.

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our school a safe environment for our children.

#### P.E Kits

Just a reminder that due to the cancellation of swimming both Class 2 and 3 will have an additional P.E session on a Monday afternoon.

Please ensure your child has a warm outdoor P.E kit and trainers in school on a Monday and Wednesday if they are in Class 2.



#### Lunch Menu

Why not try one of delicious school lunches? The menu for next week is below:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Battered Fish Diced Potatoes Peas & Sweetcorn Sticky Toffee Pudding or Fresh Fruit	Pasta Bolognese Green Salad Garlic Bread Chocolate Mandarin Muffin or Fresh Fruit	Roast Chicken Stuffing & Gravy New Potatoes Medley of Vegetables Oat Cookie & Apple or Fresh	Mexican Beef Tortilla Boat Vegetable Rice Broccoli & Carrots Pitta Bread Fruit Jelly & Icecream or Fresh Fruit	<u>Victorian Day</u>  Sausage & Veg Stew  Pineapple Upside down Pudding & Custard

Have a safe and restful weekend ☺