

Hunton & Arrathorne Community Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 20th November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another week has flown by! It is certainly feeling that little bit closer to Christmas. Over the next few weeks, the staff will be firming up our plans for Christmas. Although, due to Covid, it will be a little different to other years we still hope to be able to organise events for the children to mark this special time in the school year. More details will follow soon.

Mrs. Flannigan has been very busy taking photographs of our school in action. Some of them will be used on our brand new website, which will be launched in the new year. Finally, it was fantastic to see Class 1 looking so spectacular in their Victorian costumes today. I am sure it will really bring their history learning to life!

As always, please do get in touch if I can help in any way. If you are unable to attend school to say 'hello' feel free to call the school office and arrange an appointment with Mrs. Godlee.

Mr Donaldson

Christmas Jumpers

As you will have seen, Christmas Jumper Day will take place on Friday 11th December. The Eco-Committee will be encouraging people to recycle 'nearly new' jumpers before the day. Find out more below!

Do you have an old Christmas jumper that no longer fits?

1. Bring any donations of old Christmas jumpers into school by Friday 27th November.
2. We will then quarantine them for 7 days!
3. On Friday 4th December, the donated jumpers will be available for 'sale' outside school.
4. Please just leave a donation to pay for a 'nearly new' Christmas jumper! Any donations will be sent to 'Save the Children'

Of course, if you have bought a new Christmas jumper ready for the festive season children are welcome to wear that on 11th, or indeed create their own with a normal jumper and perhaps a bit of Christmassy tinsel!

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?

STAFF TRAINING – MONDAY 30TH NOVEMBER

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

Around the Classes...

Class 1: Class 1 have continued to learn about Victorian schools this week. After using photo evidence as clues, we discovered what school life was like for Victorian children. Our 'dress up' day has been great fun and the children looked very authentic!

Class 2: This week class two continued with their Pompeii topic and have put themselves in the shoes of our story's characters for some creative writing. We also made some information videos on 'The Science of Sound'. Check them out on Seesaw!

Class 3: This week Class 3 have been making 3D models of Greek temples with plasticine (at the end of the newsletter is Annabelle's). Our Medusa display is now on the wall. We're writing letters to Father Christmas in French.

DIARY DATES

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

Sports Opportunity

The Youth Sport Trust have taken the step to deliver a free virtual after school club as part of a national response to the second lockdown. The 30-minute club will take place at 5pm each weekday and be led by a different member of the YST's athlete mentor network, starting on Thursday 12 November with world no.1 female inline skater and 10-time British Champion Jenna Downing. The After School Sport Club will then run for five weeks until December 18 and children and young people can take part live by visiting our YouTube channel - <http://www.youtube.com/user/YouthSportTrust>

Children in Need (Grand Total)



Our joint treasurers spent a long time on Monday totalling the final amount we raised for Children in Need. It was a whopping **£102.20!** Thank you all for your support. It was great to see the children (and staff) 'dressed happy' and the wide range of costumes and outfits that were on show. Another example of our school really showing one of our key values of 'Caring' in action!

Closure Due to Covid-19

I hope that you received the letter sent out earlier in the week about our contingency plans should we need to close school due to a confirmed case of Covid-19.

Please do take the time to read the letter to ensure you are familiar with what we, as a school, will do in the event of individuals or groups of children needing to self-isolate.

If you have any questions or feel you would need support in accessing appropriate technology, please do give the School Office a call.

Lunch Menu



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

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Cheese & Tomato Pizza | Chicken & Veg Pie | Meatballs & Tomato Sauce | Chicken Korma & Rice | Fish Finger Sandwich |
| Diced Potatoes | New Potatoes | Pasta Spirals | Medley of Veg | Chips |
| Coleslaw & mixed Salad | Beans & Sweetcorn | Carrots & Beans | Chocolate Muesli | Veg Sticks |
| Summer Fruit | Arctic Roll & Fruit | Fruity Paris | Krispie | Pear & Chocolate |
| Crumble & Custard | or | Sandwich & Custard | or | Fudge Cake & Custard |
| or | Fresh Fruit | or | Fresh Fruit | or |
| Fresh Fruit | | Fresh Fruit | | Fresh Fruit |

Have a wonderful weekend ☺

