

# Hunton & Arrathorne Community Primary School

## Newsletter

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Dear Parents & Carers,

I am sure you will be breathing a sigh of relief as we approach half term! On behalf of all of the staff and myself, I would like to say a huge thank you for all of your efforts with remote learning. We understand how difficult it is, and have been bowled over by all of the e-mails and Seesaw clips we have received. To have achieved this, whilst also working from home and managing everyone's wellbeing is quite an achievement. I must also thank all of the staff who have adapted so quickly to new ways of working.

We hope to receive more details about the government's plans for the return to school very soon, and will of course communicate with you as soon as we know more. Meanwhile, staff will continue to send home learning from Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February, which would have been the day we returned to school.

I have really enjoyed catching up with Class 3 parents this week at Parent Consultations and I know the other teachers have enjoyed the valuable conversations too.

I hope everyone has a wonderful break and manages to re-charge their batteries ready for whatever lies in store over the coming weeks. Stay safe, happy and healthy!

Kind regards,  
Mr Donaldson



### Next Term

There are some exciting events in the first few weeks of next half-term including 'Fairtrade Fortnight', 'World Book Day' and the beginning of 'National Science Week'. The teachers are busy planning activities to mark these days in a similar way we would do to school. Keep an eye out for communication about how you and your children can join in from home!

### Covid-19

If your child has used the critical worker provision in school and, unfortunately receives a positive Coronavirus test up until 4pm on Sunday, please inform us using the dedicated email address [covid@huntonarrathorne.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:covid@huntonarrathorne.n-yorks.sch.uk) so we can implement our tracing procedures. After this time, please inform Track and Trace in the usual way. Of course, we hope this is purely precautionary.

### Seesaw Video

There will be a special video arriving on Seesaw at some point today. We hope your children enjoy it. We owe Mrs. Shanley (and Mr. Shanley) a huge thank you for their video editing skills and hard work in putting it all together.



### Around the Classes...

**Class 1:** Class 1 have spent this half term answering the question 'Can You Hear the Colours?' We have discovered that Kandinsky could hear colours and have explored his work in many ways. We have thought about our senses in science especially hearing and sight. We have learned about camouflage, rainbows, talking crayons, favourite colour of birds and much more!

**Class 2:** This week class 2 have completed their work on reptiles and produced some excellent habitat descriptions in the guise of David Attenborough. It has been a fascinating topic and we have all learnt so much. In maths we have been exploring shape and symmetry and honing our ruler skills. Enjoy your half term - have a well-deserved rest and stay safe.

**Class 3:** Class 3 have worked incredibly hard developing their algebra skills this week, which has been full of challenge! There have been some fabulous completed projects on the United States of America and some great grammar and spelling work in English on homophones, homonyms and antonyms! Well done Class 3!