# Hunton & Arrathorne Community Primary School Newsletter

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2021

Dear Parents & Carers,

We have continued to be impressed with the quality of home-learning which is finding it's way to us, either via Seesaw or email. Thank you to everyone for all of the effort they are putting in with this; we are aware of how tricky it can be and appreciate your efforts. Another successful round of Zoom meetings also took place this week – it is great for everyone to come together even when we are all apart and catch-up with friends and staff.

Headteacher Awards have continued to fly out of school this week – showcasing super effort, manners or a driven attitude with remote learning. Well done to everyone who has received one in the post!

There are lots of excellent resources which can supplement our Remote Learning offer produced all of the time. I know many of you will have seen the BBC curriculum offer which is both on the iPlayer and the CBBC Channel. I also know lots of you are enjoying the resurgence of 'PE with Joe' on a morning. If you haven't had a look at these two excellent resources, then please do.

If you believe school can help or support you in any way during this tricky time, or in the future, please do not hesitate to contact me and I will do my best to help.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!

### First News

First News is an excellent children's newspaper, which we use in school. They are currently offering a free digital edition for children during lockdown. Follow the link <u>https://subscribe.firstnews.co.uk/free-downloadable-issue/</u> to download yours!

# NYCC Energy & Sustainability Service

Powerdown Pete presents 'Evil Dr. Freeze & the Powerdown Penguins'

http://coldcomicnorthyorks.gov.uk

This brand new website from NYCC has been designed and develop to help give families information about how to stay warm and well this winter, as well as to support those in danger of fuel poverty.

There's a free comic and curriculum links – it's well worth a look!

# Parent Consultations

The staff have met this week to look at the logistics of our online parent's evenings. We are pleased to confirm that they will take place W/C 8th February 2021- there will be a choice of days and times.

Further information will be sent out next week, along with information about how to book your slot with your child's teacher for the Zoom meeting or telephone consultation.

### Screen Break Day

We are all aware of how much time children are spending on devices doing lots of super remote learning! Therefore, we have planned a 'Screen Break Day' for next Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January. The whole school will have a menu of feel-good, wellbeing activities which they may wish to complete rather than the usual remote learning. We would still love to see what you have been up to, so please feel free to share pictures and e-mails!

#### Around the Classes...

**Class 1:** Class 1 have been exploring how different art makes them and their families feel. They have been exploring the best material for blocking sound.

**Class 2:** Class 2 have continued to impress me this week with their hard work and positive approach to home learning. They produced some lovely descriptive pieces after watching a video of Mount Krakatoa erupting and thought hard about improving vocabulary. We learnt more about different types of rocks and had a go at some paper art in DT. The children had a very successful set of Zoom calls on Wednesday including some show and tell, an assembly and a cooking demonstration. I can't wait for next week!

**Class 3:** In their remote learning this week, Class 3 have completed their statistics learning and have begun to find out about perimeter in maths. They have shown fantastic journalistic skills when investigating the features of newspaper reports – including direct and reported speech and facts and opinions! There was a great turnout at our Zoom too.

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