



Well done to all the children that took part in today's cross country event. Over the day all of the pupils took part in a virtual cross-country with the winning times in each year group being put in to a Thirsk cluster schools Virtual Cross Country competition. During the day pupils from different year groups ran different distances, with the Year 6's running 1500M! Well done everyone—there was some fantastic runs and some real determination!

Next week is half-term week, we hope that everyone has an enjoyable break. Children will return to school on Monday 2nd November –please note that there is no training day. In the event that a closure of schools is announced there are details about how to access remote learning on the 5th page of the newsletter. However, hopefully this is something that we will not need to use.

Today we are also wishing Miss Wilson good luck as she starts her maternity leave. We hope that everything goes smoothly and Miss Wilson enjoys being a mum for the first time. We are also saying farewell to Mrs Thomson –good luck for the future.

Finally well done to everyone in our school community –attendance over this first 1/2 term has been really positive with our percentage of pupils attending school being higher than the National values that have been shared in the media. This has meant that as many pupils as possible have been in school and accessing their learning – fantastic!

Attendance

Class	% attendance this week (all pupils)
RW	100 Outstanding
1B	96 Well done
2L	96 Well done
3B	98 Fantastic
4TA	96 Well done
5C	94
5H	95
6G	94
Total	96 Well done!

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS



Dates For Your Diary

October

26-31st PTA Virtual Pumpkin Carving Competition

November

2nd Bonfire Lunch

3rd Influenza catch up session

6th RBL Poppy Collection Day

9th-15th 5 to Thrive Children in Need Week—Dress up in Spots on Friday 13th

16th Odd Socks Day—anti bullying

16-20 Enrichment Wk. Arts/Music

26th Individual School Photographs

November 16th—20th 2020 Arts & Music Enrichment Week

Monday Youth Dance & Theatre PTA Film Night

Tuesday Youth Dance & Theatre

Wednesday Science with Colours

Thursday Virtual Art Gallery

Friday African Drumming workshop

Autumn Term Clubs 2020

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch Time Club					
			Rugby Tots Yr -2 3.20-4.20	Multi Sport Mr Steel Yr 4 3.20-4.20	
				York City Football Yr 3 3.20-4.20	

Up and Coming Events



Thirsk PTA needs you!!

The PTA are looking to publish a recipe book that will be on sale later this year (date TBC). This is where we need the help of children, parents and staff...do you have a budding cook/chef in your home?

We are aiming to produce a recipe book filled with delicious home cooked recipes with drawings and images provided by families of Thirsk Community Primary.

Please send your recipe suggestions to tcpptacookbook@gmail.com with cooking / baking instructions and if you are able to you can send images of the process or simply an image of the finished product. (We would love to include the children's handwritten / drawn content and would encourage any/all to be sent in with your recipe suggestion).

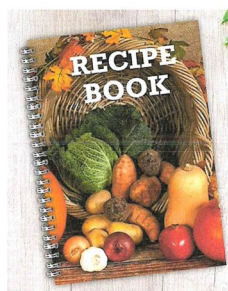
We are also running a competition for the children and would like them to design the front cover page, this can be a recipe of their choice and the winning image will be published on the cover. (We may even be able to talk the kitchen staff into turning this into a special lunch!!)

All recipes & images need to be submitted to the above email address by November 10th to allow us to send them to print.

By submitting any images you are giving us permission to use these in the final print.

We look forward to seeing all your home cooked favourite recipes!

Thank you! The PTA



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Bonfire Lunch

We are to have a Bonfire Lunch on Thursday 5th November

Lunch will be:-

Bangers in a Homemade Bun

Chipped Potatoes

Baked Beans

Ginger Cake

Fruit

Yoghurt

Children who normally bring a packed lunch are invited to join us for lunch on this day.

The lunch will cost £2.55 for Years 3, 4, 5 & 6, Reception, Years 1 & 2 are covered by the Universal Free School Meal. Payment must accompany the order.

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Friends of Thirsk Community Primary School PTA

Virtual Pumpkin carving competition

From 26th – 31st October

Email your entry to

tcpptacompetition@gmail.com

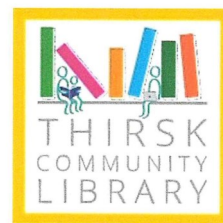
Cost £1 per entry via ParentPay. Winner is the photo with the most likes on the original post.

Winner to be announced 2nd November

For more information see the PTA Facebook page or speak to a member of the pta



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AT HOME

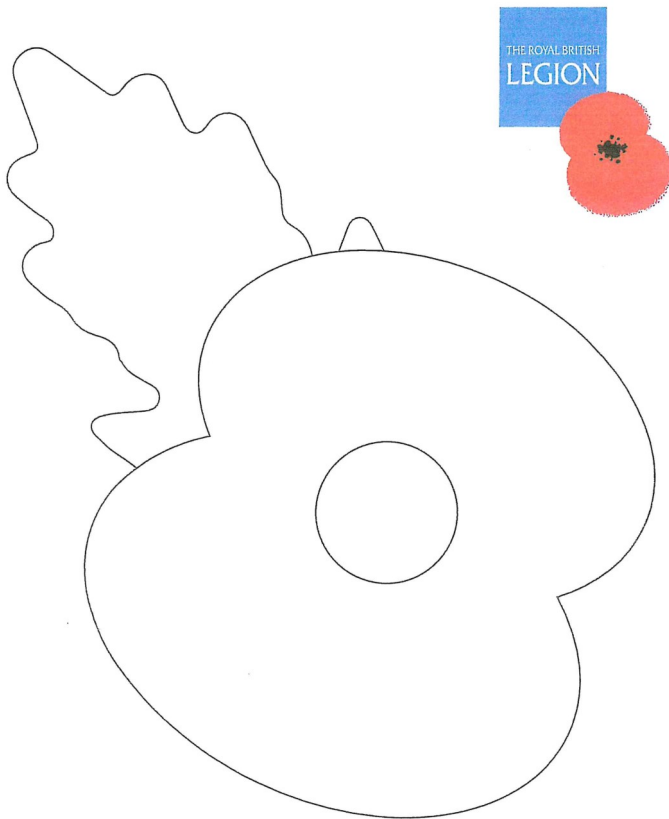
Can't get out or haven't time to come to the library? Why not get our books, audiobooks, music and DVDs delivered to you by our team of volunteer drivers?

1. Contact us on 01609 534589 or email: library@thirskcommunitylibrary.org.uk
2. Discuss books, authors you like or dislike & we'll join you up as a member if you are not already.
3. Receive your books every 2 weeks delivered by our friendly volunteers at an agreed time and keep for as long as you need. No fees or fines. All ages welcome.

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RBL Poppy Collection

Sadly this year because of Covid restrictions we are unable to sell and distribute Poppies. This year we have uploaded a picture onto our website that the children can print off and colour in at home if they wish to do so. We will still do a collection—children can bring money into class or you are able to contribute online via Parent pay. Thank You



EVERY **POPPY** COUNTS

Vale of York

The Vale of York are offering Breakfast and Dinner for the children receiving free school meals over the half term, please check out their facebook page for more details.

A Note from Miss Wilson

Home Learning Contingency

This week a letter went home to explain about school's home learning plan in the event of remote learning needing to take place. There are no closures planned but with half term arriving and the continuing risk of individual bubble closures then we wanted to inform you of our plan. Thank you for your response to the questionnaires and teachers are aware of the individual needs of their children.

Fluency League Script

On Monday we sent out a script to be used alongside the reading fluency league. This script is to be used verbally with your child/children after they have read and does not need to be written out in their reading records. You only need to record the pages they have read and what you have awarded them.

Updated Plans in the event of schools closure —Information Only

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Home Learning Plan from October 2020 for EYFS

This is Thirsk Community Primary School's contingency plan for remote education that is in line with the Department for Education's guidance. The government has outlined that parental engagement in remote learning is key. Therefore we have put together a programme of learning. However, we do understand the way in which families manage a period of remote learning is likely to be very different due to many factors.

A questionnaire went out to families to assess any barriers for home learning so we can address and support you as much as possible. We will provide a range of options to enable access to high-quality learning for all pupils. If there have been changes to your circumstances since returning the questionnaire please get in touch with the school office as soon as possible.

What is expected?

Work will be uploaded onto Tapestry by Mrs Wall each day at 9 am. This will consist of Phonic and Math work. There will be a Teaching Video and then a follow up task for you and your child to complete at home.

There will also be additional projects around the wider curriculum which links to the children's current class Topic, these are based on a focus story. On some occasions there will be work to support Topic uploaded to eSchools for you to download.

Submitting work

The content of the online lessons will be new learning so teachers will require work to be submitted. This is for two reasons.

1. To assess if the children will need any extra support and input on return to school
2. To ensure the children are receiving regular feedback during the closure.

There are two ways in which you can submit the requested work.

1. Take a photograph and send it via eSchools direct to the class teacher.
2. There will be a box outside school for work to be dropped off, the office will then scan and email it to the class teacher the same day.

Expectations for submission:

- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday - Phonics
- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday - Math
- Friday - Topic

McKie Mastery

As a school we have followed the McKie Mastery approach since September 2019. The children are used to this way of teaching so online lessons will continue in the same format to ensure learning is consistent and purposeful. There is an online video to explain the McKie Mastery Approach which will be sent out immediately to parents effected by the partial or full closure.

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Home Learning Plan from October 2020 for KS1 and KS2

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What is expected?

Work will be uploaded daily onto eSchools under the class page. The Children will log on using their eSchools password which has been stuck into their reading records and attached to this letter.

Each day there will be a Maths and Literacy lesson, these will be taught from the class teacher via a pre-recorded video with consolidation work being attached. The content will be new learning following on from the day the bubble was isolated. There will also be additional projects each day around the wider curriculum which links to the children's current class Topic. There is also the option of collecting work from the school office and that has been highlighted from the questionnaire responses.

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- Wednesday - Reading Comprehension
- Friday - Writing task

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Our Fabulous Year 4 Digestive System T-Shirts

