

Thank you to all of the children that have brought in Christmas cards –they have now been sorted and will be quarantined and given out on Monday next week. The post-boxes in the classrooms will reopen on Monday for this coming week only. Due to restrictions we will not be able to accept Christmas cards in the final week.

Thank you again for wearing masks on the school site, your support with this is greatly appreciated. Although we are now out of lockdown and in to Tier 2 we will continue to do this and review it again at the end of the term. Please take care by the community centre after school, this can be especially busy –please if you can make sure that you socially distance in that area and keep it as free as possible.

Please make sure that your child does have a coat and suitable footwear for school. We are looking to get outside at break and lunchtimes as much as possible –please also check that your child's coat is clearly named.

As you may know there is going to be some changes to testing that takes place in the summer for pupils in Year 2 and in Year 6. For pupils in Year 2 there will be no formal national SATs test for Mathematics and Reading. We will however assess pupils in school to understand where they are at the end of Key Stage One. For pupils in Year 6, SATs test will remain in place for Reading and for Maths, but there will be no Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar test. We will update parents in those year groups as and when more details become available.

Next week is the last week for the current Learning groups. These will not run on the last week of term but will start again early on the Spring term

<u>Attendance</u>			
	Class	% attendance this week	
		(all pupils)	
	RW	99.5	
	1B	98.5	
	2L	98.6	
	3B	100	
	4TA	100	*
	5C	98	
	5H	95	
	6G	96.5	
	Total	97.1	

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS				
0 days off school	Story Advance our the advance our the 20% - 100%			
Equates to 2 days off 99% Excellent	Good chance of success and progress			
Equates to 5 days off 97% Good	(Figures below are calculated over a school year)			
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Equates to 30 days off school each year 85% Very Concerned	Under 90% Continental tomocrea ad property "In the line for ten to nine!"			
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Dates For Your Diary

December

- 4th EYFS Hive Funtime Friday Christmas Craft 2nd Edition Father Christmas and Friends!
- 9th Yr 5 & 6 Dress up Day WW2 activities during the day
- 11th Christmas Jumper Day
- 14th PTA Virtual Panto Day

PTA Colour donation day

- 16th PTA Virtual Christmas Raffle
- Year 3,4,5 Christmas Party
- 17th Year 1,2,6 Christmas Party
- 18th Hive Jive Fridays are for dancing!

SCHOOL CLOSES at 12.30 pm



Dear Parent/Guardian,

CHRISTMAS READING CHALLENGE 2020 @ THIRSK COMMUNITY LIBRARY

We are delighted to introduce our new free children's reading challenge similar to the summer reading challenges for this Christmas. Children from 0-11 years are invited to join the challenge to read 4 library books before 23⁴⁴ December and will receive a Christmas Craft Pack created by Thirsk Yarnbombers and sponsored by the Rotary Club of Thirsk and a certificate.

Thirsk Community Library wants to encourage reading and is open for book collections from our door and Library at Home with home deliveries if you are unable to come to the library. If your child/nen would like to take part (it is open to all whether they are already library members or not) there are 5 ways to sign up: 1. Please complete the form overleaf and return to your school or to the library.

- 2. Return the completed form overleaf and email: https://www.ibination.org, org, uk;
- 3. Drop in at the library. Opening hours on our website: www.thirskcommunitylibrary.org.uk
- Phone 01609 534589 and leave a message on our answerphone;
- 5. Facebook Messenger send us a message to sign up.

We look forward to hearing from you. For further information please email: library@thirskcommunitylibrary.org.uk



Charity Reg No: 1169352 Rotary Warnbombers



Friends of Thirsk Community Primary School PTA NON-UNIFORM DAY

Monday 14th December Come to school in non-uniform in exchange for a colourful donation

We will be making rainbow hampers as prizes for our Christmas online raffle.

> Check out your year colour below EYFS - RED

> > YEAR 1 - ORANGE

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EAR 2 - YELLOW
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YEAR 3 - GREEN

YEAR 4 – BLUE

YEAR 5 H – PINK / PURPLE

YEAR 5 C - BLACK / WHITE

YEAR 6 - SILVER / GOLD

Can include books, games, toiletries, candles, sweets, drinks, accessories the possibilities are endless. If you do become stuck why not wrap a donation in the chosen colour paper?

Donations to be placed in the trolly at the entrance gate and please ensure all perishables have a long expiry date and any alcohol to be passed on via

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If your circumstances have changed and you believe you may be entitled to free school meals please follow the link below.

https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals

If your child is in KS1 and receiving Universal free school meals, please make an application as school receives additional funding to help support your child.



Christmas Lunch

We are to have a Christmas Lunch on Thursday 17th December 2020. Lunch will be: -

Roast Turkey

Sausage & Stuffing

Carrots & Peas

Roast Potatoes & Mashed Potatoes

Gravy

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Snowman Ice Cream

Or

Festive Biscuit

The lunch will cost £2.55 to years 3 and above.

<u>NB: All Children and those who normally have a school lunch will need to</u> <u>complete the order form online via Eschools</u>

PLEASE COMPLETE BY FRIDAY 4TH DECEMBER

The form to order your child's Christmas lunch will be sent out via Eschools . Please check your personal emails and junk box. If you have not yet registered for Eschools please contact the school office.

Please note on Friday 18th December school shuts at 12.30

The Hive have been busy again !! They are very busy bee's

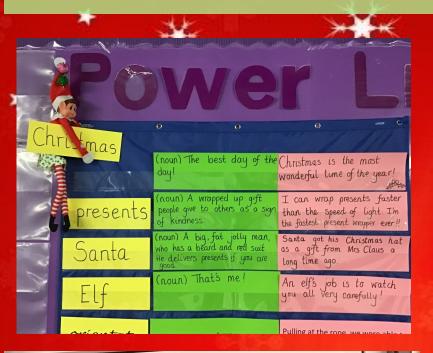
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Amazing box animals by our very creative Year 1 pupils



Brandybutter Sparkle Pudding has joined us again this year !



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Here she is being naughty in class 5C, swapping Mrs Collier's wow words for Christmas Words ! Measuring herself up and writing Jokes on our windows !!!

A WOMBAT

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