

## Thirsk Community Primary School 18.12.2020

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#### **Merry Christmas**

After what has been a very unusual, and at times a challenging term, we have finally arrived at the Christmas Holidays. I would like to thank each and everyone of you. Throughout this term your children have been amazing, from the very youngest pupils in the Hive through to the oldest pupils in Year 6 everyone has tried their best, worked hard and coped with all the changes brilliantly. I would like to thank you as parents and carers for supporting us with this, and also, all of the staff team at school for going above and beyond on a daily basis to keep everything together. I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable Christmas.

#### PTA

A huge continued thank you to the PTA for their simply amazing effort in trying to raise funds for the school. The virtual raffle was an excellent idea and has been incredibly well supported both in sales of tickets and generous donations of gifts. We are all humbled by the kindness and generosity of everyone involved.

#### **Goodbye Mrs Warriner**

Today we are saying goodbye to Mrs Warriner. Mrs Warriner has worked at Thirsk CP School for nearly 25 years, starting at school in January 1996. Her first role was to work in Year 2, but since then has worked in every year group across school. Mrs Warriner suspects that she has worked with every single child to ever pass through our school, many of whom now have their own children at Thirsk CP! She has worked with three headteachers; being appointed by Mr Paxton, working with Mr Wild and now Mr Chandler.

Over the years she has helped to produce many Christmas productions, being an expert on finding costumes to fit every child. She has been on many school trips, even accompanying our older children on their residential trip to Bewerley Park twice.

Over the years she has become a specialist in teaching phonics and reading to young children. She has developed kind and caring relationships with all of our children and been a good friend to staff past and present. She will be greatly missed, enjoy your well earned retirement Mrs Warriner.

## **Dates For Your Diary**

January

5th School Re opens

**February** 

1st—5th STEM Enrichment week

#### From last weeks newsletter

Please be aware that schools have been asked by Public Heath England to assist with **contact tracing where necessary for the first 6 days of the school holiday –Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> to <b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> December**. This will allow enough time for positive coronavirus (COVID-19) cases to be identified and confirmed by a test and for relevant contacts in the education setting to be traced.

Where a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, the school should not be contacted. Parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.

For the first 6 days after teaching ends, if a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, the school is asked to assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school.

School staff are not asked to remain on-call or conduct any contact tracing more than 6 days after the final day of teaching.

If this does effect you during the first part of the Christmas holidays, please contact Mr Chandler via the following email address: **covidalert@thirsk-pri.n-yorks.sch.uk** 

Please within that email provide your child's full name, which class they are in, when they started showing symptoms –what the symptoms are and a contact number. Please be aware that the email address will be checked daily between 9am and 10am each day up until Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> December. Please also be aware that a positive test within your child's bubble may mean that your child has to isolate over the Christmas holiday period.

#### **Attendance**

Class	% attendance this			
	week (all pupils)			
RW	97.7			
1B	94.28			
2L	99.6			
3B	98.5			
4TA	94.1			
5C	98.3			
5H	93.8			
6G	95.8			
Total	96.2			
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### Our Amazing Sporting Success!

I have had the wonderful task of handing out over 67 Medals, mostly Gold. I can not say how proud I am of every single pupil who has taken part in many of the competitions and tried their best and succeeded. You truly are amazing!

A note from our Sport Organiser Duncan Burgess:-

Many thanks for your enthusiasm and positivity in engaging your pupils in PE and sport since we returned in September. As always Thirsk as a cluster has been fantastic in offering all pupils of all ages and abilities the opportunity to compete in various competitions.

These include: Cross Country, Speed Bounce Challenge, Archery, Orienteering and Dance.

Not only have you entered the above using your strongest athletes but by using the '3 colours' to gauge a pupil's ability, you have maximised participation and as I have already said given every pupil an opportunity to feel part of a team.

Most schools within North Yorkshire have been offered to use Koboca as a way of tracking the number of pupils entering competitions and as of Tuesday 24th Nov, 9885 pupils from across North Yorkshire have entered competitions. Of that number 3600 have been within Hambleton and again of that number, 1518 have been from within the Thirsk cluster. I am sure that by the 7th December when the deadline passes this will be even more! This is beyond fantastic and I once again thank you for ensuring that all pupils are being kept active and are benefitting from all the social elements of competition.







Brandybutter Sparkle
Pudding went into the Hive
and was caught messing
about with Speedy the
handpuppet!

Twinkle McBushy Plums
Showed up in the Sunshine room and caused havoc by doing flour angels!!





## Spring Term Clubs starting January 2021

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch Time Club					
			Rugby Tots Yr -1 3.20-4.20	Multi Sport Mr Steel Yr 4 3.20-4.20	
				York City Football Yr 6 3.20-4.20	
				Coding Club Yr 5 3.20 – 4.20	

Please note more clubs will become available later on in the year.

#### Spring Term Menu 2021

	Week One 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan, 25 <sup>th</sup> Jan, 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb, 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Week Two 11th Jan, 1st Feb, 1st March, 22nd March	Week Three 18th Jan,8th Feb, 8Th March	Jacket Potato Of The Day	Option
Monday	Pizza Add Potatoes Add Veg *- Rice Pudding with Peaches Yoghurt or Fruit	Minced Beef Hot Pot Add Potatoes Add Veg Bread of the Day Yoghurt or Fruit	Chicken Korma & Rice Add vegetable Naan Bread ~*~ Yoghurt or Fruit	Wk 1:- Baked Bean JP Wk 2:- Tomato & Chickpea JP Wk 3:- Tuna Mayo JP	WK 1 :- Tuna Sandwich Wk 2 :- Cheese Sandwich Wk 3 :- Egg Mayo Sandwich
Tuesday	Tuna & Sweetcorn Pasta Bake Add Vegetables Garlic Bread ~*~ Yoghurt or Fruit	Cauliflower Macaroni Cheese Add Vegetables Naan Bread Yoghurt or Fruit Fruit Salad	Sausage, Mash & Gravy Add Vegetables Bread of the Day	Wk 1:- Cheese JP Wk 2:- Cheese JP Wk 3:- Chicken Korma JP	WK 1 :- Chicken Mayo Sandwich Wk 2 :- Egg mayo Sandwich Wk 3 :- Ham Sandwich
Wednesday	Sausage Roll Add Vegetables & Potatoes Bread of the Day   Yoghurt or Fruit Cheese & Crackers	Roast Chicken with sage & onion stuffing & Gravy Add Vegetables Add Potatoes Bread of the Day	Minced Beef & Yorkshire Pudding Add Vegetables Add Potatoes Bread of the Day  Yoghurt or Fruit	Wk 1:- Tuna Mayo JP Wk 2:- Veggie Curry JP Wk 3:- Cheese Mayo JP	WK 1 :- Ham Sandwich Wk 2 :- Tuna & Q Sandwich Wk 3 :- Tuna Mayo Sandwich
Thursday	Beef Lasagne Add Vegetables & Potatoes Bread of the Day Yoghurt or Fruit Fruity Gingerbread & Custard	Pork Meatballs in Tomato Sauce & Pasta Add vegetable Bread of the Day *** Raspberry Bun & Cheese Yoghurt or Fruit	Creamy Chicken & Broccoli Pasta Add Vegetables Bread of the Day 	Wk 1:- Chicken Mayo JP Wk 2:- Chicken & Sweetcorn JP Wk 3:- Baked Bean JP	WK 1 :- Egg Mayo Sandwich Wk 2 :- Ham Sandwich Wk 3 :- Chicken Mayo Sandwich
Friday	Harry Ramsdens Battered Fish Add Potato Add Veg Bread of the Day Date & Oat Squares Yoghurt or Fruit	Crunchy Fish Nibbles Add Veg Add Potatoes Bread of the Day  Fruit or Yoghurt Chocolate Mandarin Pudding & Chocolate Sauce	Fish Fingers Add Veg Add Potatoes Bread of the Day   Yoghurt or Fruit Banana Sponge & Custard	Wk 1:- Minced beef JP Wk 2:- Baked Bean JP Wk 3:- Veggie Chilli JP	WK 1 :- Cheese Sandwich Wk 2 :- Chicken Mayo Sandwich Wk 3 :- Cheese Sandwich



# TWAS THE WEEK BEFORE

Twas the week before Christmas, and

The adults were sleeping, after the

The children are home now, with their

Given with happiness, a six week term

The class is strangely quiet- as Mrs

Miss O Brien gives Miss Wood a

Mrs Wall yawns and is a bit misty eyed

Looking around at the work of her class - Her heart full of pride.

Eyes open wide now - they smile and they say, "I can't wait to have our little people back here to play".

Merry Christmas Everyone!

