



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been our teaching and learning review week – The Governors and senior leaders have really enjoyed visiting all our classes and seeing some great teaching and learning. We have seen some great reading and writing linked to our core reading books, Mathematics and books showing much improved standards of presentation and pupil engagement. Our new topics children are saying they are really enjoying. Well done to all our teaching teams and children whose behaviour and efforts were lovely to see!

Anti Bullying Week – All our classes in school have had lessons this week linked to this theme and during the month of November each class are making a pledge to make change within our school or wider community.

KS1's pledges are...

Class 2 – to bake special treats for Green Watch (Thorne fire station)

Class 1/2 - To make Christmas decorations to send to local care homes.

Class 1 – To create a class shoe box for the Salvation Army Christmas present appeal.

This helps us learn about how we can be kind, helpful and a small difference can make positive changes in our community and World.

Our new anti-bullying buddies are: Cayne, Rihanna, Danni and Jessica. We had some fantastic applicants so well done to all.

In EYFS this week: In FS1 the children have enjoyed nursery rhyme week and are able to sing and share lots more rhymes, keep doing these at home to help with early reading skills. In FS2 the children have enjoyed reading Brown Bear together and even been able to write about some of the animals he sees!

In KS1 this week we have been creating our anti-bullying week kindness pledges. In year 2 we have also enjoyed conducting science investigations into how materials change when they are heated. We melted chocolate and then made buns! In English we are busy writing a newspaper article about the Great Fire of London and these will be sent to Sheffield Emergency Service museum for them to use in their workshops. In year 1 we have been exploring floating and sinking and looking at materials objects are made from. We went on a materials hunt around school to find exciting objects that might have two or more different materials.

In LKS2 this week we have been continuing to write our persuasive letters to Mrs Parish. Year 3 have enjoyed their fire safety talk – many thanks for the fire service for supporting us with this important message. Our calendars are coming along nicely and we have been busy learning songs for our Christmas concerts.

In UKS2 this week we have been focussing on problem solving including fractions and grammar elements which will feed into our extended writing. We have thoroughly enjoyed learning our Christmas songs – we are starting to sound lovely.

Cinema evening – for Year 1 and 2 children will be on 12th December 3:00-5:00p.m. Letters have gone out, please return these as soon as possible with **payment** to get a place.



Attendance of the week – Class 1/2 on 99%

Well done great attendance!

After School Clubs – We run the following clubs from 3:00pm to 4:00pm for £1.00 per session:

Monday – Basketball – FS2 to Year 6

Wednesday – Multi-Skills – Year 1 to Year 6



Dates for your diary:

We try to give parents/carers plenty of notice of dates – however these may be subject to change, thank you.

Teacher training days: 2nd, 3rd, 4th September, Monday 4th November, Monday 20th July. Once we join the Trust there will be an additional three teacher training days – this is for curriculum development to bring new exciting topics for the children across school. These will be Monday 24th February, Friday 22nd May and Monday 1st June.

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- **Friday 6th December** – Choccy dress down day
- **Concert Week** – 9th to 12th December
- **Thursday 12th December** – KS1 Cinema Evening 3:00 – 5:00
- **Friday 13th December** – Christmas Jumper Day £1.00 for charity.
- **Friday 13th December** – Christmas Dinner
- **Friday 13th December** – Year 5, Carol Singing Tesco, Hatfield
- **Friday 13th December** – Class 2 & 3, Carol Singing at Hatfield House
- **Monday 16th December** - Class 2 & 3, Carol Singing Dunscroft Co-Op
- **Party Week** – 16th to 19th December
- **Thursday 19th December** – Children’s Christmas Fayre with Year 6
- **Friday 20th December** – Santa Visiting School!

CHRISTMAS BREAK – school breaks up on Friday 20th December and re-opens Monday 6th January 2020

- **Thursday 13th February 2020** – Valentine’s Disco – Details to follow

HALF TERM – school breaks up on Friday 14th February and re-opens Monday 24th February 2020

- **Wednesday 4th to Friday 6th March 2020** – Year 5 Residential to Kingswood

EASTER BREAK – school breaks up on Friday 3rd April and re-opens Monday 20th April 2020

- **Monday 27th April 2020** - Year 4 visit to Cresswell Craggs
- **Monday 4th May 2020** – Year 3 visit to Cresswell Craggs
- **Friday 8th May** – Bank Holiday

HALF TERM – school breaks up Friday 22nd May and re-opens Tuesday 2nd June 2020

- **Thursday 2nd to Friday 3rd July 2020** - Year 4 Residential to Austerfield
- **Wednesday 8th July 2020** – Open Evening
- **Friday 10th July 2020** – Year 6 Open Day
- **Monday 20th July 2020** – Teacher Training Day

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- **Wednesday 9th September 2020** – Years 3 & 4 visit to National Coal Mining Museum



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With many thanks for your continued support!

Mrs F. Parish

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