Learning to Live, Living to Love, Loving to Learn



W/C 4th April 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been an incredibly busy term with so much to be proud of and celebrate. Lots of fantastic learning has taken place. As always, please can I thank the entire school community for your continued support through what has been another challenging term. It has been wonderful to welcome parents and carers into school for our recent in person events.

The school's Covid-19 guidance was withdrawn on the 1st April in line with the Government's directive and will now be managed in line with any other respiratory infections. The focus of hygiene and ventilation remains in place as this is good practice. The Government have released new guidance called 'Living safely with respiratory infections, including COVID-19' if you would like to read the recommended actions. if a child is symptomatic we will be asking you to collect them and keep them at home for the three recommended days when they are likely to be most infectious.

Parents Consultation Meetings will take place on Monday 25th April for Reception, Y1, 3, 4 and 5 – you should have received an email with all the details. This is a valuable opportunity for you to meet with your child's class teacher to discuss progress and future targets. If you have not booked, then please do so. A reminder that Monday 25th April is a staff training day and school is not open to children until Tuesday 26th April.

Thank you to all that have submitted an Ofsted questionnaire. If you haven't already done so, it would be greatly appreciated if you could by clicking the following link.

For those of you who will be marking the holy month - Ramadan Mubarak!

For Everyone celebrating Easter, I hope you can take the time to reflect on the most important event in the Christian Calendar.

I hope you all have a wonderful break and we look forward to welcoming you back to school on Tuesday 26th April.

Mr Tim Whitehead - Headteacher.



Dates for your diaries...

25.04.22 – School Teacher Training Day 26.04.22 – First Day of summer term 04.05.22 – Anti Bullying Day 09.05.22 - KS2 (Y6) SATs 11 /18.05.22 - Visit to school from Buddha Land 16.05.22 – Eden Camp trip – Y6 17.05.22 – Brownlee Foundation Mini Triathlon Event – KS2 17.05.22 – Reception / Y1 biking Day 27.05.22 – The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Day – details TBC 16.06.22 – KS2 Tennis workshops – Ilkley Tennis Club - details TBC 22-24.06.22 – Y6 Residential to Bewerley Park 29.06.22 – Y5 day at South Craven 30.06.22 – Ermysted's / Skipton Girls' Induction Day 04/5.07.22 – Y6 Induction days at South Craven 11.07.22 – EYFS Graduation – 4.30pm 15.07.22 - Y6 Show 6pm 22.07.22 – Y6 Leavers' assembly

NYES Catering have released the new school dinners choice menu for Summer 2022. This can be viewed on our <u>website</u>.



Extra Curricular Clubs

Clubs will commence the second week back after half term - W/C 02.05.22. You will be advised when live on ParentPay in order to book a place, with the exception of Kanga - links to book direct with them below.





Monday -

Circuits - KS2 - £12.00 for the half term. Choir - KS2 - £12.00 for the half term. Kanga - EYFS/KS1 - Book direct with Kanga Tuesday -

Kanga - KS2 - Book direct with Kanga. Art Club - KS2 - £16.00 for the half term. Wednesday -

Running - EYFS & KS1 - £16.00 for the half term. Running - KS2 - £16.00 for the half term. Girls Football - KS2 - £16.00 for the half term. Thursday -

Cookery - EYFS/KS1 - £16.00 for the half term. Mini Ringers.





This Girl FOOTS

We now operate the walking bus from Cross Hills Co-op Car Park twice a week (Mondays & Thursdays), setting off at 8.30am. All are welcome to join. Please sign up for free on Parent Pay.











Learning to Live

Year 5 / 6 Tag Rugby Competition

Year Five & Six took part in a tag rugby competition with our local cluster of schools at South Craven. The children played well as a team, encouraged each other and managed to score some magnificent tries. well done team Kildwick!



Art Club

In Art Club the children have learnt many new techniques! They drew and painted snowdrops and daffodils. They tried observational drawing as well as carbon paper tracing and produced some lovely pencil sketches. They also produced watercolour paintings applying the wax crayon - watercolour resistance technique In the next session they created some very colourful pictures of various animals using stencils, sponges, cotton buds and ready mixed paints. They experimented with colour mixing and applying patterns to decorate their pictures.



In the final session the children created pop up streets and decorated paper boxes to place them in.



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Cross Country

Well done to each and every runner that ran in the Keighley and Craven Schools Cross Country League this season 2021-2022. We have had a fantastic turn out for all age groups and am certain that as well as me, you are very proud of their achievements. We came second place in the boys and girls year 3 / 4, fourth in the year 5/6 boys and sixth in the year 5/6 girls. Each runner will receive a t shirt for taking part in this series and I am awaiting the delivery to school















KEIGHLEY AND CRAVEN SCHOOLS

Cross Country League 2021 – 2022



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Mother's Day Lunch



On Friday 25th March Robins and Swallows were very excited to be able to invite grown-ups back in school for our Mother's Day lunch. The children loved showing off their school to parents and carers. For some parents and carers this was the first time they had been able to come into school having been unable to visit previously due to the pandemic.

Parents enjoyed a delicious lunch of pizza, salad and coleslaw prepared by Donna, our amazing cook. We then spent time outside making assault courses, playing in the mud kitchen area, the water and even shooting some hoops!

As part of their Design Technology project children worked on making a Maasai Necklace with their grown-ups. There was also a chance to play games to help develop turn taking, subitising and addition skills. Children made a team with their adult and challenged their friends to a game. There was also a matching game which was great for the children's working memory. As an added bonus it was a plant game to help reinforce our Science learning from this half term! What a busy afternoon! Thank you to those who were able to join us and for all the support you give the children with their learning at home and in school. You really are appreciated! Miss Akrigg and Mrs Carpenter.













Loving to Learn

Royal Letter!

The children were pleased to receive this letter from the Queen in recognition of their letters written to her to celebrate National Handwriting Day.





Pre Loved

We are always here to help you with your recycling in Robins class! If anyone is starting to think about giving their dolls and dolls accessories a new home we promise we will take very good care of them!

We are also always on the lookout for items to enhance our curiosity area. We would welcome old telephones, cameras, metal tea sets, natural objects, weighing scales, clocks, old watches....the list goes on. We have great imaginations in Robins class and can make good use of your 'junk'!





National Science Week

Robins and Swallows have been embracing the theme of 'growing' and studying plants and trees. They have spent time on the Rec, cut up plants and flowers to learn about the functions of each part of a plant and made collages. They have worked really hard learning new vocabulary about both trees and plants. The children have planted seeds and will play the part of 'Spy Magnus' where they will be 'watching near and far' and observing over time.

Well done Robins and Swallows, super Science work.

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EXCELLENT ENQUIRY WITH SUPERHERO SCIENCE!

BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK

On Friday 18th March, we had a day of science celebration. Children came dressed as one of the scientific enquiry superheroes we use in school:

- Captain Peedon FOTTING PATTERNS CATTING PATTER
- Billy Bookhead who researches using secondary sources
 Captain Peeko who spots patterns
- •Spy Magnus who observes things over time
- Problem Pooch who solves problems using knowledge
- •Commander Classify who identifies, groups and classifies
- •Supergirl work sets up comparative and fair tests

We had a brilliant selection of superheroes so a big thank you to everyone that helped at home. Talking about different types of scientific enquiry whilst in character really helped the children remember them. We split into our core value house groups and therefore worked in mixed age groups. It was great to see the children supporting each other. First we sorted scientific questions into the enquiry types mentioned; questions such as: what will affect how far the car travels? How can we sort plants into groups? How does my shadow change over the day?

Next, in line with the national British Science Week theme of 'Growth', we carried out a simple enquiry where we made and then modified paper helicopter 'seeds'. The aim was to try and make them fly away from the parent tree.We had lots of discussion about different things we could change and results were recorded in a table.

Finally, we came together in an assembly to present our findings and share our experiences. I hope we were able to raise awareness and interest in science across school. I am sure the children really enjoyed the day and the opportunity to work with children from other classes.

