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## School News

### Attendance:

Class R – 99.2%

Class 1 – 99.5%

Class 2 – 97.7%

Class 3 – 98.6%

Class 4 – 97.5%

Class 5 – 98.0%

Class 6 – 99.1%



### World Book Day

We had a great day on Thursday when we celebrated our love of books. We were all very comfortable in our pyjamas - although we still managed to get some work done 😊. Teachers read stories to different classes as the children enjoyed chocolate milk and cookies. Pupils also had the opportunity to share their favourite stories with each other - it was wonderful to see how much our children love reading!

Thank you to class 4 and 5 for their work in the library this week. We are currently carrying out a 'stock-take' of our library books and would be grateful if all non-fiction books could be returned to school next week. Thank you.

### School CD

We are thrilled to have become recording artistes in our own right today when we created our very own CD. The track list includes vocal performances from each class, the school choir, and our year 4 recorder ensemble and year 5 ukulele ensemble. We have such talented singers and musicians; we hope you will be impressed with the finished product.

If you would like to order a copy an order form has been sent home tonight, please return orders by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March.

### Music

Apologies but due to unforeseen circumstances there will be no school band or guitar lessons next week. Mrs. Lee will ensure that your child receives the allotted number of lessons for the term. Thank you.

### Well done to the following pupils who received a Special Mention certificate in assembly today:

Class R – Thomas, Matilda, Henko, Grace, Ruben

Class 1 – Olivia, Brody, Amelia, Harry

Class 2- Cora, Elsie, Arran, Sienna, Lilah

Class 3 – Charlie, Lennon, Sam, Rose, James

Class 4 – Faye, Isaac, Charlie, Ewan, Ava-Lily

Class 5 – Daniel, Jenson, Issy, Jasmine, Lucas

Class 6 – Florence, Rafe, Harris, Caleb, Ohran

### Science Week

It's science week next week and we have lots of exciting hands-on science investigations planned. We also have the opportunity to use a laser printer, which will be on loan to us as part of a technology project led by Mrs Mackie. Parents will be joining children in their classrooms throughout the week to talk about their careers in the science and technology sectors, which we are sure will inspire our pupils and develop their awareness of the wider world. Thank you to all the parents who are giving up their time to do this. Don't forget that at the end of the week we will be dressing up as scientists / inventors. As this coincides with Red Nose Day, we would be grateful if pupils could bring £1 if they wish to participate. Red Nose day t-shirts may also be worn.

### Twitter

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter to catch up with all the events in school. This is a closed group so please make a request to follow us and we will respond as soon as possible.

## Upcoming Events

### Book Fair

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March in the school hall. Children will be given a book token to spend at the fair.

### Penistone Arts Week

Some of our pupils' art work will be on display in Wortley church from Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March as part of this celebration of the arts across Penistone.

### South Yorkshire School Games

Our cheerleading and athletics teams will be representing the school at the games held at the English Institute of Sport in Sheffield on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March. We wish them lots of luck.

### Class 6 Enterprise Sale Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 3:15 – 4pm

### Mothers' Day Performances Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March

Mums please put this date in the diary! Performances will be at 9:10 then repeated at 3:10 in the classrooms.

### Dog's Trust Workshops

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

### Trips:

**Class 3 trip to Weston Park** Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

**Class 1 trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park** Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April

### Easter Activities

#### Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April

Easter craft family workshops 3:45 – 5:15. Teachers will be running a range of Easter-themed activities in the school hall. Details to follow.

#### Led Walk to School

We are holding an Easter themed 'I spy' walk to school on the Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April. We will be meeting at the Green Dragon at 8:40am and the 'I spy' trail will continue onto the playground.

#### Egg-rolling

Our traditional egg-rolling event will be held on the morning of Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April. As ever we will be giving prizes for the best decorated eggs. Don't forget to hard-boil them!

## Sheila's Sporting News

What fantastic news we have this week about our young sports stars in Y4!

On Friday of last week a team of girls and boys took part in the School Games Basketball tournament at Netherwood Academy. Having done little or no basketball previously, they were rightly worried about the competition. Following just 2 half hour lessons and 4 lunchtime sessions these youngsters worked very hard with me in what was very intensive training and they never gave up trying. All I can say is 'WOW' ! The hard work both the team and I put in certainly paid off as they won every one of their 5 games and came away with the Basketball Hot Shots Trophy. We have not won the Y4 shield since 2012, although previously being runners-up. THEY WERE FANTASTIC !

Their sportsmanship and behaviour were both excellent and they were brilliant ambassadors for our school. I am so very proud of their achievement brought about by sheer determination and hard work. A huge thank you also to the mums and Grandmom who helped with transport and the odd cheer or ten ! I know they definitely enjoyed seeing our super-duper stars in action★

They now go forwards to a further competition which will take place at the end of March at the English Institute of Sports where they will play in a knock-out event. This will take place ahead of the league game played by the Sheffield Sharks Professional Basketball Team. Our youngsters can stay to watch this game. The whole event will be an amazing experience and will be well deserved.

Clubs in school continue with great enthusiasm and Handball Club has also begun on Tuesday after school. This is a fabulous sport, fast and energetic and already talent is beginning to show. TEAM THURGOLAND - YOU ARE THE BEST ★★★