



Calder Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 8th March 2024

Class News

Class R We had a great time on our cloth hunt around The Piece Hall this week! We found out about the process of turning fleece to yarn and got to have a go at each part of the process including washing, carding and spinning, before weaving our own piece of material to take home. Our focus in maths this week were the numbers 9 and 10. We have found 9 and 10 in the outdoor learning area, sorted dominoes into groups - less than 10 spots, 10 spots and more than 10 spots and represented 9 and 10 using ten frames, beads on string, numicon, cubes and clocks. In topic we have been finding out about stars and constellations. We created our own constellations and wrote about them too!

Class 1 This week Class 1 have been learning all about Dean Clough and why it was significant in the past. In Forest school we have been using our senses and exploring and observing the natural environment, we even used natural resources to make music! Y2 have been working super hard on their character descriptions and have even turned their work into missing posters for 'The Lonely Beast'. In science we have been learning about how eyes work and how we see. Amazing work, Class 1 😊

Class 2 Class 2 have had a very busy week this week! In maths both Year 3 and Year 4 have started discovering equivalent fractions. They can all use a fraction wall and find equivalent fractions from a number line. In English, we have started planning our non-fiction text and researched all the information we need to include. In history, we have learned the names of many Greek Gods and Goddesses and then decided what we would like to be the God/Goddess of. In science, we explored how the volume of sound is affected by the distance that it has to travel. We all enjoyed a wonderful World Book Day. We had a very competitive quiz and book scavenger hunt! A great week everyone, well done!

Class 3 Another brilliant and busy week for Class 3! We've been working hard in PE on delivering strong passes in netball and getting to grips with the footwork rules. In English we've been finding synonyms and antonyms and made loads of progress with reading Rooftoppers: we're hooked! During RE, we looked at how Sikhs show respect to the Guru Granth Sahib and looked at the daily prayer that is said before and after reading from it. Finally, we had a wonderful World Book Day! Lots of fantastic character and book choices were seen, and we enjoyed a little teaser of our new class book for after the holidays, read to us by Mr Guise!

Diary Dates

- 11.3.24 Big Walk and Wheel Week – come to school by foot, bike or scooter all week! Prizes to be won!
- 13.3.24 2.30pm Class 2's Class Showcase
- 15.3.24 9am Golden Book Assembly and End of Term Awards – families welcome
- 15.3.24 Red Nose Day – Comic Relief
- 20.3.24 Bring in entries for Easter competitions (see the letter next week for the details)
- 21.3.24 World Down Syndrome Day - '21 things' active challenges throughout the day.
- 22.3.24 9am Easter Egg Hunt- families welcome followed by refreshments and Easter competition entries to view.
- 22.3.24 3.15pm Break up for Easter
- 8.4.24 Back to school
- 16.4.24 Class 2 Trip to York
- 16.4.24 3.30pm Parents' Evening – in person
- 17.4.24 3.30pm Parents' Evening – online
- 6.5.24 May Day Bank Holiday - school closed
- 13.5.24 Year 6 SATS week
- 5.6.24-7.6.24 Class 3 Residential Trip to Robinwood

Spring Clubs

- **Newspaper Club** -KS2 Wednesdays 12pm
- **Choir** – Years 2-6 Tuesdays 12pm
- **Dodgeball** – KS2, Mondays 3.15-4.15pm (until 18/3/24)
- **Cookery** – Years 1 and 2 Wednesdays 3.15-4.15pm from 21/2/24 for 4 weeks – please see the letter to sign up
- **Active Leaders at Playtimes** - Wednesdays
- **CHS Band, Choir and Sports Clubs** – continue to be available to Year 6
- **Lego Club:** Reception and Year 1 Wednesdays 3.15-4pm from 21/2/24 for 5 weeks - please see the letter to sign up.

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Golden Book Awards

Kindness Awards:

Class R: Oliver

Class 1: Rexford

Class 2: Noah M

Class 3: Jobey

Stars of the Week:

Class R: Sam-Jak

Class 1: Anya

Class 2: Harriet

Class 3: Poppy

Active News

Well done to Harley who achieved his Octopus Swimming Award this week!

Congratulations to Harriet G who took part in the Calder Valley Dance Competition and achieved 1st place and 4th place medals for her modern dancing. Mrs Henderson, along with some of our parents and former pupils, in the Royd Rebelles Cricket Team not only won the Calderdale Finals they then went on to win the West Yorkshire Finals – amazing! Amelia in Class 2 is dancing in Romeo and Juliet Pantomime (poster at the end of the newsletter) and would love to see some of you there in the audience!

CaPS PTA

The next meeting of the CaPS PTA will be after our Golden Book Assembly on **Friday 15th March** and all parents and family members are welcome to attend! On the agenda to discuss are the next events for fundraising and socialising and it would be great to have some new faces join in too.

Red Nose Day and Easter Competitions!

Please see the letter for all the details of these upcoming events. It was emailed out or you can find it on our website [here](#)

World Book Day

We had a wonderful World Book Day yesterday! The children and staff looked great in their book costumes or snuggly pyjamas and oodies! Thank you to all the families who joined us for our Breakfast and Books event! It was lovely to see so many of you there enjoying croissants, fruit and stories together – and gave you chance to meet our catering team too! Over the day we had book events, hunts, live shows and time to share our favourite titles. We finished the day with Mr Guise, Mr Taylor, Mr Gray (all from the Calder Learning Trust Senior Leadership Team) along with Mrs Lambert reading some favourite stories to each class.

A special well done to the children who took part in our Reading Star Challenge and were rewarded with a prize yesterday. If there are any more who are nearly finished, see if you can get them completed over the weekend and bring them in to Mrs Lambert on Monday!

Everyone will receive a World Book Day token either yesterday or today which can be used at local book shops. We have also sent some class photos to the newspaper to share all the fabulous outfits!

New Lunch Menus

A reminder please to complete your lunch menu choices as soon as possible to help Mrs Pickup to process them for ordering! It would be great if you could sit with your child and order them together this weekend, so they are happy with their choices too! This week, following feedback from the children, we have created a new table for salad, sandwiches and puddings to help speed up the line at the lunch hatch! **A reminder also to pay any outstanding lunch debts** as Mrs Lambert will be following these up individually from Monday.

Unihoc Team

Yesterday Miss Smith took our Year 3/4 Unihoc team to the HX7 competition on our MUGA. They were a brilliant team – full of enthusiasm despite the very cold, and at times rainy, weather. We had some great skills on show and two goals from Amelia and Reuben. Scores were tight and they came joint 3rd overall.

Thanks to Mrs Holland and Mrs Dean who have been training them up and to all the parents and children who came along to support. Well done, everyone!

Big Walk and Wheel

Next week is the national Big Walk and Wheel Week. Children are encouraged to walk, cycle or scoot to school each day – for all or part of the journey depending on where you live and your circumstances.

There will be prizes to be won and as we are an Active School, we will also be competing with other small primaries who are Active Schools in Calderdale too! Please help us by joining in!



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Pantomime Time

NEW TIME OF YEAR

NEW VENUE

BRIGHOUSE
THEATRE
PRODUCTIONS
PRESENTS

NEW STORY

Romeo & Juliet

Tickets available from:

www.brighthouse theatre.co.uk



The Brooksbank School

Victoria Road

Elland

HX5 0QG

Friday 5th April - 7.00 pm

Saturday 6th April - 1.00 pm

Saturday 6th April - 6.00 pm

Sunday 7th April - 1.00 pm



A Family Pantomime
By Brennan & Shalks



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TEAMWORK MAKES
THE DREAM WORK**



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WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE PART OF THE MYTHOLMROYD CC WOMEN & GIRLS SOFTBALL CRICKET TEAM?

- NO cricket experience or kit needed
- ALL fitness levels welcome
- Gain confidence, have fun, surround yourself with awesome women & girls (age 10+)

JOIN US FOR THE 2024 SEASON

Scan the Facebook QR code or text Sophie: 07834 533799
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