

# Thornhill News



## World Maths Day

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March was World Maths Day. We celebrated the day by exploring and learning mathematical concepts through a variety of stories. For each story, children completed fun and practical activities linked to the text. These included 2D paint prints, estimating how many jellybeans were in the jar, making images using geometric shapes and creating a variety of graphs.



## Sporting Events

- **Y3/4 Football** – Well done to our Y3/4 Football team who continued in the league games at Heritage Park Stadium. Great attitude from all players and some brilliant games in the cold weather!
- **Let's Play**–On Wednesday, we joined in with lots of schools across the country in the Let Girls Play Football Event. A great morning of football for everyone!

## Spelling / Maths Facts / Reading

We are really working hard with our spellings and maths facts to try and get class scores below 10. Last week, we had some excellent improvements with nearly all classes achieving this.

Thank you for your support with helping your child practise spellings and maths facts. We give them out over the week so children can practise every day and build up their knowledge.

Reading should be completed 5 times per week. It is important children practise their reading at home, but it is also a fantastic way to spend time with your child and get lost in a book!

If children cannot do their reading at home or need extra time for spellings and maths facts, we make time every day in school to catch up.

## Packed Lunches

Just a reminder about drinks in packed lunches. Drinks should only include: plain water, natural fruit juice, semi skimmed milk, fruit or dairy based smoothies. Fizzy or sugary drinks in bottles or cans are not allowed, including Prime.

Highly processed foods for example are also not allowed e.g. processed meats, cheese straws, sausage rolls or pies etc.

Our Packed Lunch Guidance can be found on our school website in the Parent's Section, Useful Information.

## Queries / Questions

Please contact the school if you have any queries or questions.

We are always happy to help and class teachers or Miss Overfield can be contacted via email or by calling the main office. We aim to get back to parents/carers as quickly as possible and resolve any issues or answer any queries. Please allow school to help rather than using social media or What'sApp groups to get answers.

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2023

### **Headteacher Competition**

Please find information regarding this half term's Headteacher competition. Please note entries can only be brought in on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March with it being an egg competition.

**Next week there are lots of activities for Red Nose Day and library visits for World Book Day. Please note these are school events for your information only.**

**Parents are only invited for Nursery / Reception Activities – separate letters will be sent out.**

#### **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March**

- Year 3-6 – Red Nose Sports Activities at Shildon AFC
- Year 2 Library Visit

#### **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March**

- Year 2 Forest School – all day – please wear old clothes and a change of footwear
- Library Visits - Year 1, 3, 5, 6

#### **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March**

- Red Nose Dance Off – in school – Year R-6
- Nursery library visit a.m. / p.m. – Parents invited. (Separate letter sent out)
- Library visits – Year R, Year 4

#### **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March**

- Red Nose Day
- KS2 – Locomotion visit – Science Week
- Year 1 – 9.15-10am – Parent's Open Morning
- 10.30-11.30 am – Reception Red Nose Sports Activities at Shildon AFC – parent/carers invited to watch and meet at the ground (Separate letter sent out)
- 12-12.30 – Red Nose Lunch for Reception class – 1 adult to join their child for lunch (Separate letter sent out)

### **Red Nose Day**

– Red Noses are available to purchase at school next Friday. The retail price for a nose is £2.50, but we will be selling for £1 and have contributed £1.50 from the school to the charity.

Please bring £1 next Friday if you would like a red nose.

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