



Micklefield C.E. (C) Primary... 'a GOOD school', Ofsted 2013

Newsletter



Going for goals/service *'For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do' Ephesians 2:10*

12th February 2015

We enjoy a broad and balanced curriculum at Micklefield C.E. Primary School: One life, live it!

Visits and visitors

Year 6 returned yesterday from their residential trip at Bewerley Park. They participated in all the activities, passed their dormitory inspections and impressed Mrs. Loring and Mrs. Bailey with the improvements in their organisational skills. Miss Rosenberg and I went to watch them canoeing in the icy lake on Monday afternoon, where they completed various challenges and then were brave enough to go in for a swim, despite the chunks of ice in the water. Brrrrrrrr!

Stand up, the treasure hunt winners!



Come on, lend an oar; this is much harder than it looks!



Class 2 spent a day at the Thackray Medical Museum where they travelled to Scutari Hospital to work alongside Florence Nightingale. When they came back, they wrote lovely letters to say thank you to her.



Everyone enjoyed our Dance Day when dance specialist Sadie came back to visit us again. Our local authority advisor was in school on that day too and was impressed by the children's energy, concentration and talents. Here are some of the pictures we took of our action-packed sessions in the hall.



Hook Moor Wind Farm

Over the past couple of years I have been attending the meetings regarding the wind farm at Hook Moor. I am pleased to report that Banks Renewables are keen for the local schoolchildren to have the opportunity to be involved in watching some of the construction work, to see the giant plant machinery and witness the arrival of the huge wind turbines. They will keep us informed of the dates when it is possible to visit the site and when the turbines will be arriving. I have also requested a 'photo story' of the developments as they happen so that the children can see what is involved. We will have these on display for families to view on parents' evenings, after the work has started later in the year.

Uniform

Firstly, a big thank you to parents for sending their children in the correct uniform. They look very smart! There are only a few occasions now when children do not wear their royal blue jumpers with a blue or white polo shirt.

We are interested to know parents' views on how to obtain school uniform. It is time for us to review our suppliers and we would like to know whether parents would prefer to buy uniform from Garforth, Castleford, online, through school or a combination of these. If you have a strong preference, please would you let the office or a member of staff know? We will collect all views and try to accommodate the majority. Thank you.

World Book Day and Moving Words' Dragon Day

The drama visitors, Moving Words, will be in school on March 17th, not 23rd February. We will be dressing up for World Book Day on 6th March, as dragons, knights or princesses. This forms part of our focus on 'Talk for Writing' where we encourage the children to talk their way through stories to build up their speaking vocabulary so that they can use it in their writing. Why not collect a new word each week next half-term and put it up in your kitchen? You may build up an **interesting, inspirational and absorbing** collection of useful and **fascinating** vocabulary, including **awe-inspiring** adjectives, a **variety** of verbs and **amazing** adverbs!

FOM

We are looking forward to the next Friends of Micklefield event, which is a bun sale after school on Tuesday 24th February. All contributions will be much appreciated.

February

13th TRAINING DAY
23rd School starts
**23rd Drama visitors – Dragon Day, postponed to March 17th
24th FOM Bun Sale

March

9th Garforth schools' 'Learning in the Environment' week
12th Mothers' Day Service, church
17th Drama visitors – Dragon Day
23rd Themed Week – Science
25th and 26th Parents' Evenings
31st FOM Disco night

April

1st Parents' open morning 9 – 10.30 and themed week assembly 10.30
2nd Easter bonnet parade 9.15 and Easter Service 10.30 at St. Mary's Church.

Please remember not to take your children out of school in term time for birthdays, day trips or holidays. I cannot authorise absences except in **extreme or exceptional** circumstances, this does **not** include cheaper holidays! We now have to pass on details of term-time holidays to Leeds City Council and this may result in a fine. **Training days: 13.2.15; 22.5.15; 21.7.15**