



Scorton CE Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

January 12, 2018



Happy New Year - many thanks for all your gifts and cards received at the end of the term. They are much appreciated.

This week in worship we have been thinking about the season of Epiphany when the wise men visited Jesus. We have thought about the gifts they gave, their meaning and what we can give to others.

Please remember the Pollitt family in your prayers this weekend as Mr Pollitt undergoes planned surgery.

Lead learners

Angus McIntyre- for providing a detailed and thorough explanation of defensive tactics in netball.
Sophia Matichecchia - for brilliant listening, learning and reading
Finn Webster for excellent problem solving and reasoning in maths
Brodie Walmsley for resilience and a positive attitude to his maths and a fantastic big write.

Extra curricular clubs Spring term

The first basketball club (Y3, 4, 5, 6) was held this week with a professional basketball player coaching the children. The children involved had a fantastic session learning some tricks and ball skills as well as team work and tactics. This club has been funded using our Sports Premium grant.

Football club (all pupils) will start on Wednesdays later this half term when the light improves. Thank you to Jonty Collinson who is running this club.

There is no JAM club this half term but it will return next half term!

Mad Science club (Y3/4) will start next week -16th January (Tuesday). We will transport children up to Calder Vale but they will need picking up from Calder Vale at 4.30pm.

Charity Fundraiser

Well done to Rowan Sheriff who raised money for Cancer Care in Lancaster. Rowan had his head shaved on 20th December. We are all very proud of you Rowan. If you would still like to sponsor Rowan you can do so at

Justgiving.com/fundraising/rowansherriff

Curriculum news:

Curriculum leaflets detailing our plans for this term have been sent home and are available on the school website. Please try to talk to your child regularly about their learning.

Years 3 and 4 had an amazing time studying rocks and soils as part of their science curriculum today. The children were able to talk about the formation of different types of rocks, made fossils and tested the properties of types of rocks and soils. Thank you to Mr Chaffe and Mrs Mather.

Grizedale class will be visiting the theatre next week with friends from Calder Vale to see David Walliams book 'Awful Auntie' brought to life on stage. The children have been reading this novel in class and enjoying the funny adventures. This is part of our whole school work in promoting reading for lifelong enjoyment

Year 6 parents and carers - information evening - please try to attend this meeting.
Year 6 pupils are invited to attend revision sessions after school each Thursday. These provide an opportunity for Year 6 to work on sample tests and refine their test performance.

Friends' of Scorton School

The next meeting for the Friends of Scorton School will be at 3.30 in school on Thursday 18th January. Children can be in After School Club at no charge during the meeting. Please come along and see how you can support our school. We will be discussing plans for the nature area, an update on recent expenditure, library redevelopment plans, Bikes and Barrows weekend plans .



Pupil Premium Grant and free school meals

Registering for free meals could raise an extra £1,300 for your child's school, to fund valuable support extra tuition, additional teaching staff or after school activities.

This additional money is available from central government for every child whose parent is receiving one of the welfare benefits listed in the form. It is therefore important to sign up for free school meals, even if your child is in reception, year 1 or year 2, so that your child's school receives as much funding as possible.

School and Academy Places September 2018 - if you have a child due to start primary or secondary school in September 2018 you can apply for a place online at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools. The closing dates are:
Primary 15th January 2018
Secondary 31st October 2017

Messy Nativity Trail

Many thanks to all who supported this trail round Scorton.

A total of £61.59 was raised for Parkinson's UK.

DIARY DATES:

Occasionally it is necessary to change the dates of some events. We do our best to provide as much notice as possible but ask for your understanding when events have to be changed. Thank you.

Friday 12th January - Rocks and Soils Day for Y3 and 4

Wednesday 17th January - Governor Training event at Scorton 6-7.30

Thursday 18th January - Awful Aunty Theatre trip Y3-4

Friends of Scorton School Meeting 3.30pm in school

Friday 9th Feb - school closes for half term

Monday 19th Feb - school re-opens

Wednesday 21st February - Finance committee of the Governing Body

Wednesday 28th February Standards and Effectiveness Committee of the Governing Body

19th to 23rd March Book Fair in school

Wednesday 21st March - Full Governing Body Meeting

Friday 23rd March Close for Easter at 1pm

School opens Monday 9th April

Facebook

Scorton Primary School now has a Facebook Page. We will gradually be adding the page - please follow us and share all the exciting things that are happening in our school.

<https://www.facebook.com/scortonCofE/>