

Thornhill Lees Infant and Nursery School Newsletter – March 2019

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you had a lovely half term week with your children. They have all come back in with smiling faces and are keen and eager to learn.

World Book Day



Next Thursday 7th March, is World Book Day. Children are invited to come into school dressed as a book character on this day. They are also allowed to bring in their favourite story book to share with friends in their class. Please ensure that any books your child brings in are clearly labelled with their name.

Parents Evenings - After-school on Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th March 2019



A reminder, Parents Evenings for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be afterschool on Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th March 2019. More information about times and slots will be available soon. When you attend your parent's meeting, you will be asked to update your child's contact details and parental permissions form.

School Fund



Please hand your school fund money to your child's class teacher in a named envelope. This half term is 7 weeks, so the school fund is ± 3.50 per child. Thank you for your support with this.

Book Fair



Thank you to all the parents, carers and children who have supported our Book Fair this week. We will let you know the grand total raised and how much money school will receive in the next newsletter.



<u>Would you like to be a Reading Friend at Thornhill Lees I&N School?</u> Reading Friends is a paired reading project which involves adult volunteers giving up an hour of their time each week to read with pupils in Kirklees schools.

Thornhill Lees Infant and Nursery School are pleased to be involved in this project and are keen for parents and carers to be trained as reading friends, who can come into school and help our children with their reading. Children that have taken part in reading friends previously, have improved their reading age by up to 9 months over a 10 week programme. The children also become more confident readers. To know more about Reading Friends at Thornhill Lees, please speak to Mrs McNulty.

The next Reading Friends course is at: John Smith's Stadium on Mondays 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th March (10am - 1pm). You must attend all 4 sessions. If you are interested in becoming a Reading Friend please contact: Helen Kerr Email: <u>helen.kerr@kirklees.gov.uk</u> Phone: (01484) 234153 Twitter: @klassuccessctrs Facebook: Kirklees Success Centres (Kirklees Adult and Community Learning Courses are for people aged 19+)

Stay and Play - under 3's, parents and carers - Tuesday Mornings (Term Time)

Our Stay and Play is a group for parents/carers, babies and toddlers. It is an opportunity to play and learn with your child.

Come and join us in our newly set up play-based provision in our middle, upstairs classroom. Your child will have a chance to have a go at different crafts and messy activities. Don't worry we have aprons and will clear up the mess!

Our Stay and Play sessions are on Tuesday mornings in term time, 9-10am. We ask for a contribution of 50p per child, per session. We would love to see you and your child at our next Stay and Play session.

<u> Uniform Exchange – Winter Warmers</u>

Thank you to everyone who donated clothing for the Winter Warmer Uniform Exchange. We sent a very large load of clothes off to be given to people in Kirklees.

<u>Watchable – Community LED Film Looking for Muslim Grandparents in Dewsbury in Dewsbury</u> <u>& Surrounding Area</u>



Do you love to chat? Would you like to challenge stereotypes about your community and religion?

We are looking for grandparents in Dewsbury and the surrounding area to take part in a film with the locally based charity looking to promote community cohesion. If you are interested in finding out more then please do get in touch.

Call, Text or WhatsApp 07749127236 with your name and contact details. Alternatively please email jules@watchablefilms.com or lauren@watchablefilms.com

To be eligible, all applicants must be a UK resident.

Thank you for your continued support.

Diary Dates

<u>March 2019</u>

6th March - Year 2 Coding Workshops 12th (2MH) and 13th (2FA) March - Year 2 Dewsbury Minster Visits 20th March - 2MH Visit Overthorpe School for Carry My Story 25th March - Conrad Burdekin to lead Poetry Day for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 27th March - School Photographs (individual and siblings) 26th and 27th March - Parents Evenings

2019 School Term Dates and Holidays

School closes for Easter Holidays: Friday 12th April 2019 School re-opens: Monday 29th April 2019 INSET Day - Thursday 2nd May 2019 INSET Day - Friday 3rd May 2019 Bank Holiday - Monday 6th May 2019 School closes for Spring Bank Holidays: Friday 24th May 2019 School re-opens: Monday 3rd June 2019 School closes for Summer Holidays: Friday 19th July 2019 INSET Day - Monday 22nd July 2019

