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Letter 21

Friday 12th February 2021

Dear Parents/Guardian,

ALL LETTERS ARE ALSO ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE UNDER THE NEWSLETTER TAB

AFTER HALF TERM AT SCHOOL

Monday 22nd February	Week 1 dinner menu 1.15pm Class 3 TEAMS social get together 2.00pm Class 2 TEAMS social get together Richard Darcy doing sports with class 2 and 3. Children please come in school PE kit with track suit bottoms/warm layers rather than getting changed in school.
Tuesday 23rd February	9.15am Class 2 TEAMS
Wednesday 24th February	9.15am Class 3 TEAMS Class 3 wear school PE kit please
Thursday 25th February	9.15am Class 2 TEAMS
Friday 26th February	9.15am Class 3 TEAMS
<p>Please may I remind you to phone us if your child is absent so we know why they are absent and send a letter or email to school as soon as your child has returned to school, dated, explaining their absence for us to keep as a record at school.</p>	

COVID-19 UPDATE

I have also been asked to make you aware of the following relevant arrangements regarding positive cases in the February holiday for all our children including preschool:

-For the first 6 days after teaching ends, if a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms **within 48 hours of being in school**, the school is asked to assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school. **Please email school to notify me of cases so I can then follow the necessary procedures.** I will be checking my emails regularly over half term which is the 6-day limit of infection.

-Where a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), **having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, the school should not be contacted.** Parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.

Where pupils are required to self-isolate due to contact with a positive case after the first 6 days following the end of term, schools do not need to be informed about their absence until the first day of the new term.

UPDATE FROM THE DfE

Please click on the link for an update from the DfE. They are hoping to announce their plan for opening schools fully on Monday 22nd February.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/958149/What_parents_and_carers_need_to_know_about_early_years_providers_schools_and_colleges_.pdf

WHOLE SCHOOL NOTICES

THANK YOU AT THE END OF THIS HALF TERM

On this last day of half term at the end of yet another disrupted school half term, I would like to thank you all for your lovely emails and the supply of scones and cake to keep us going. Thank you to our children who are demonstrating so many of our school aims- resilience, endurance and independence; returning work to school, sharing other activities being done and caring for each other. I am sure, you as parents are also finding you are showing endurance and resilience too during these tough times, particularly when supporting children with home learning and many also juggling this with working from home.

I must also thank my school staff who have worked as a fantastic team, supporting each other as staff have gone through bereavements, self-isolation, illness, teaching full time and supporting home learners. We haven't had a week since September with a full team of staff and then let's throw a loads of snow into the mix too! I really hope everyone is able to take some time this half term to just rest and recharge.

EXPECTATIONS OF THE USE OF TEAMS CLASS 2 AND 3

I have included guidance on the use of TEAMS in school as we increase its use. To be able to see more people on TEAMS, please download the app.

ACTIVITY INSPIRATION

I just had to share this super activity one of school families organised - an online zoom craft session last weekend for children in year 3. What a fantastic idea and it looks like they had a great time making some fabulous creations. Please do send in photos of things your children have been doing on a weekend or after their school activities so we can share them.



Please see our other photos below of things from school.

HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

I have attached two lovely activity sheets from the 'Action for happiness group'. There are lots of things on the news about children and adults struggling with mental health during this lockdown, so this gives some ideas of things to help stay positive and have fun.

FREE TECHNOLOGY PARENTS FOR PARENTS

Please click on the link to see courses including use of Microsoft TEAMS for parents which are free.

<https://nyedservices.co.uk/4BPJ-10C1J-C254248A60D4331F5IY1510191BB69F5DDA202/cr.aspx>

REMOTE LEARNERS

Please can all work be returned over half term so staff can start afresh next half term.

REMINDER: Please can all work returned, be named and dated, whether it is sent as an email or returned as a hard copy to ensure we know who work belongs to. Staff are dealing with lots of paper from both in school learners and remote learners so this would help immensely.

CLASS TEACHER CONTACTS

If you need to contact your child's class teacher directly, they each have a school email address:

Mrs Montgomery (Reception and year 1) YASClass1@ainderby.dalesmat.org

Mrs Link (years 2 and 3) YASClass2@ainderby.dalesmat.org

Mrs Watts (Years 4,5,6) YASClass3@ainderby.dalesmat.org

Mrs Sharp (Year 6 Maths) Year6maths@ainderby.dalesmat.org

PRESCHOOL PARENTS

A reminder that as per the DfE guidance, Early Years Settings are open to all children. Please remember that preschool arrival time is between 8.45 and 8.55am.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESCHOOL STAFF

This week, the children had lots of fun playing outdoors in the snow and also in the secret garden, a lovely corner of the school grounds with a willow construction, perfect for exploring and using as a den. We've made binoculars and used them for bird spotting out in the garden where we feed the birds. The children have made lovely spotty kites to add to our fantastic weather wall display.

In the classroom, our older children have been practising writing their names both on laminates and in their personal sand trays. They have been tuning into sounds and clapping the syllables of their names.

If anyone in school has any children's jogging trousers, leggings, gloves and mittens they no longer use please could they donate them to Pre-School as emergency supplies? Thank you.

We are sending children's bags and belongings home for the half term break so that they can please be checked and replenished ready for their return.

We hope you have a lovely half term break!

Tracy, Alison, Helen and Fiona

OTHER SCHOOL ITEMS SENT HOME TONIGHT

Please remember to look at all the attachments attached to the school email to ensure you have all the information needed regarding school. I am now putting all letters on the school website.

Use of TEAMS at school protocol

Family recipe and activity pack from our school caterers Mellors

Action Calendar

Calendar for Families

Yours sincerely



Mrs F. Sharp
Headteacher

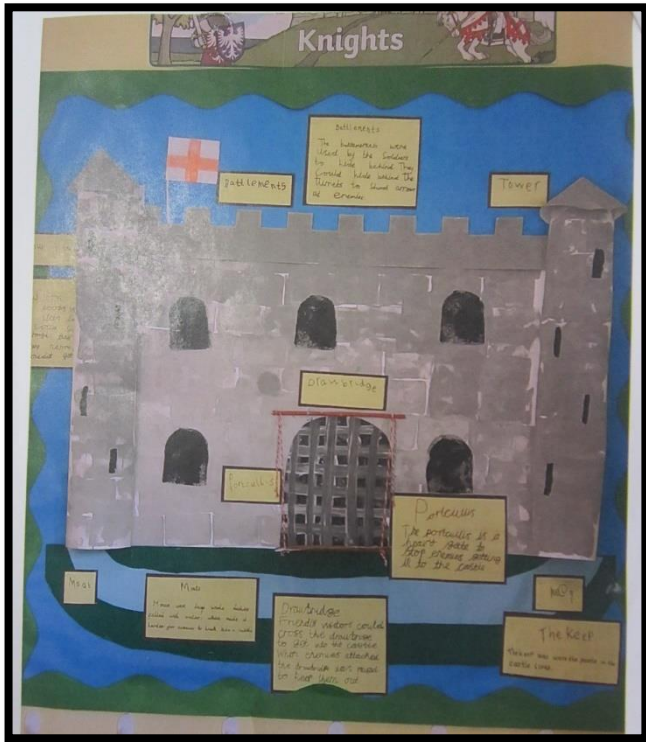


Preschool displays learning about weather

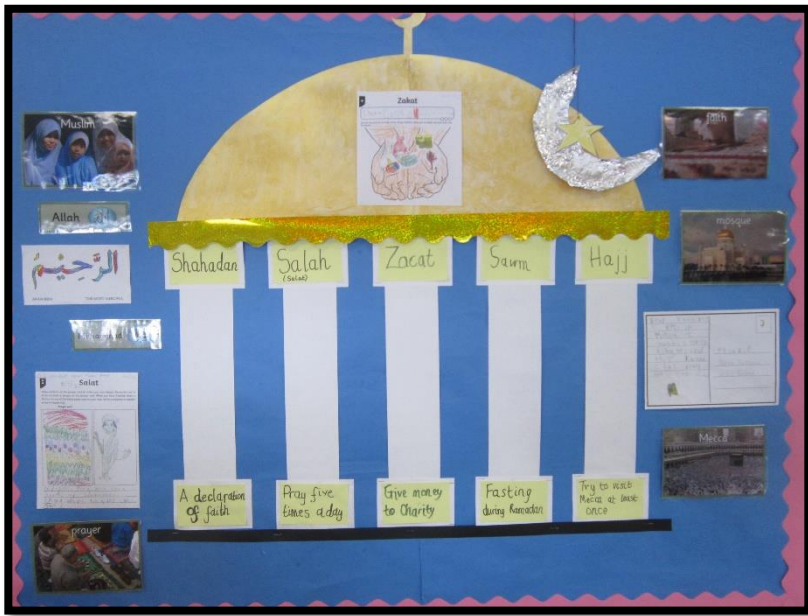




Class 3 thinking about positivity



Class 1 castles and knights



Class 1 have been learning about other world religions



Class 2 have been learning about other world religions



Class 1 thinking of seasons

Snow creations

