

## THIS WEEK:

Welcome back and happy new year!

The children have settled back into the swing of things very quickly, and it's great to see their happy faces coming into school again in a morning. Already this week I have been presented with examples of exceptional work, particularly related to their new maths passports too, so keep up the good work of supporting them with this at home.

On Monday morning, the staff attended Fire Awareness training delivered by North Yorkshire County Council, in order to make sure that we are up to date and compliant. This was recognised on Thursday morning, when a Fire Officer visited to carry out our fire audit. She was extremely impressed with the school and the documents we keep, determining the school as being 'broadly compliant with the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005'.

On Monday afternoon, the staff took part in English training delivered by a local authority advisor. The focus was around having audience and purpose for writing. Teaching staff are enthusiastic and confident that this approach will enhance their current practice and result in some excellent writing.

Next week, we will be beginning our sessions provided by Bewerley Park. They have planned a really exciting program that I am sure all the children will enjoy. Remember to make sure the children are wrapped up warm so that the children can make the most of their time.

In order to share what children will be learning this term, please see the updated Topic Webs which are displayed in the Notice Board and on the school website in the Classes Tab.



# Confirmed Dates for the Diary

**15th January**—Swimming begins for Class One

**17th January**—Bewerley Park Programme begins

**17th January**—Sports hall Athletics (Y3/4) CANCELLED

**1st February**—  
Skipping workshop

**6th February**—Ash Wednesday Collective Worship

**7th February**—  
Firefighters Clothing Collection

**9th February**—Break for Half Term

**19th February**—Staff Training Day

**20th February**—School re-opens

**22nd February**—  
Chinese New Year Dance Workshop

**1st March**—World Book Day

**26th March**—Year 6 Residential at Bewerley Park

**29th March**—Easter Service at Ripley

**29th March**—Year 6 Residential returns

**29th March**—Break for Easter holidays

**16th April**—School re-opens

## Attendance & Punctuality

School attendance this week: 98.81%

Ofsted above average

target:

95.3%

**Class One:** Welcome back! Happy New Year from all of Class one. We have had a fabulous start to the new term. Our year 1 boys have been working really hard and done some great writing and phonics. We have started our passport maths activity this week and everyone is trying very hard to improve their score each day.

It's lovely to have Sydney back from America and she and Bethany have really enjoyed creating the 'Red Dragon' Chinese restaurant in our classroom. We have some very talented chefs.

We have started our Science topic on animals this week by talking about what all living things need to survive.

## Consultation Proposal Dates

09.01.18—Consultation Opens

15.01.18—Public meeting at School

27.02.18—Consultation closes

13.03.18—CC Executive considers responses

22.03.18 to

19.04.18 —Statutory Notices

22.05.18—Final decision by CC Executive

31.08.18—Proposed school closure

## Sports Hall Athletics Year 3-4

Due to lack of interest the Year 3-4 children will not be attending the Sports Hall Athletics at Nidderdale High School on Wednesday 17th January.

We will keep you informed of future sporting events.