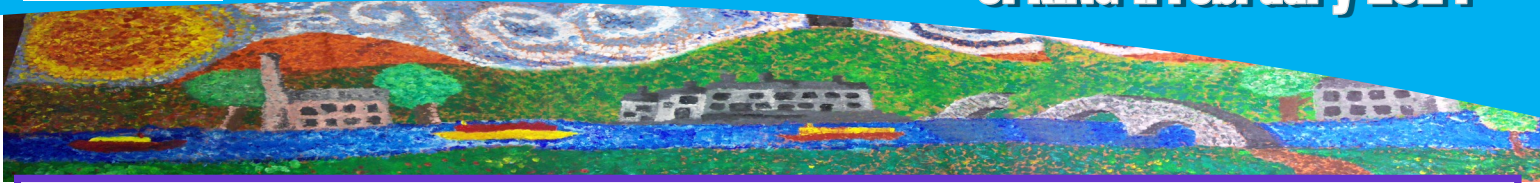




NEWS letter



SPRING 1: February 2024



Worship Club

This half-term Reverend Ruthi has started a Worship Club, this runs every Tuesday lunch time. 16 children from Years 4—6 have joined and they represent all the children in school. During this club the children discuss, help plan and evaluate worship; they also lead worship (assembly) once per half-term for the whole school, planning and presenting based on one of our school worship themes (*being thankful, responsible, honest, polite, independent, kind*) or an event from the Christian Calendar. The children are thoroughly enjoying this club and are looking forward to running their first assembly next term.



What's been happening this half-term?



It's been a short half-term which has flown by! However, it hasn't stopped all classes throwing themselves into their new learning and new topics!

In the **EYFS** the kids have been making music, experimenting with different instruments and getting the opportunity to make their own, they used these for their own musical performance! In **Year 1/2** the children have been learning about the 7 continents and 5 oceans in geography, in art they have been creating their own 'Hebden Bridge in the snow' pictures, inspired by Hunters in the Snow. **Year 3/4** have enjoyed tucking into their new topic in history: Stone Age to Iron Age, they tried making



their own Stone Age flatbread; The Stone Age bread-makers took flour made from wild wheat and barley, mixed it with water, and then baked it on hot stone slabs (we used an oven!) apparently it was delicious!



Year 5/6 have been on two, yes two, trips this half-term! They spent the day at Leeds Art Gallery where they took part in a workshop, making their own sketchbooks and becoming art detectives. This week, off they went to York to spend the day at The Jorvik Centre for their history work on The Vikings. They engaged in a battle tactics workshop using real axes and swords for role-play, this was a tad stressful for Mr. Robinson and Mrs. Hulme to witness! All in all a fantastic half-term of learning and new experiences!



Go to our website <https://www.hebdenroydprimary.org.uk/> and click on 'Our Learning' tab to find out more about what your child will be learning in school.





PTFA NEWS:

Upcoming PTFA Events:

- * **Open Mic Night: Friday February 23rd @ 6:15pm in the school hall.**
- * **Indie Night @ The Trades Club: Friday 15th March @ 9pm tickets are available from The Trades (£5 entry).
<https://thetradesclub.com/>**
- * **Easter Fun Day: Thursday 21st March @ 3pm—4:15pm in the back playground. Loads of stalls and an Easter Egg Hunt for the kids. Come along to enjoy a brew, some cake and have a chinwag before we break up for Easter.**

A big thank you to the PTFA for buying a class pack of primary dictionaries for our Year 3/4 children and funding the purchase of higher level texts for our greater depth readers in Year 4-6. On top of that, they have organised an author visit in the week prior to World Book Day, this will help to inspire our children to read more widely (*see dates for diary for more info*).

The PTFA do an absolutely FAB job of raising funds for the school; helping us to support the children's learning with high quality resources. If you would like to offer your support, whether you fancy becoming a member of our PTFA or if you are able to help set up and run events then please speak to Mr. Paton or email the PTFA at: ptfa@hebdenroyd.calderdale.sch.uk

Double Congratulations to Ms. Hannan!

Congratulations to Ms. Hannan, her husband and Teddy; they are about to welcome a new baby to the family! Ms. Hannan will be starting her maternity leave on 19th April and will be returning full-time in October. During this period Mrs. Mills will be our maternity cover for EYFS (she knows the school, kids & staff, so the transition should be seamless)

In other news, Ms. Hannan has recently been promoted to Assistant Headteacher. When Ms. Hannan returns from maternity leave she will be the point of contact if Mr. Paton is not in school.

NEWS FROM THE OFFICE

⇒ Invoices for Breakfast Club have been sent out for January. Please ensure these are paid promptly.

⇒ We have noticed that some of our school community have not updated their contact details. If you have recently moved or changed your mobile number can you please notify the office staff. School must have two named contacts per child; if this is not the case it becomes a safeguarding concern.

ECO SCHOOLS

Please check out Class Dojo & our website: for information about what Eco School have been up to and the exciting projects they have planned for the rest of this academic year. Thank you Isaac & Orson for their superb little sketch!

www.hebdenroydprimary.org.uk/eco-schools

Dates for the Diary

- Friday February 23rd through to Friday March 22nd : Forest School continues for Year 5/6
- Wednesday February 21st 8:50am—10am: School Nurse Drop In, Come and chat to a member of the school nurse team about a number of issues including sleep, toileting, eating, general low mood and more!
- Monday February 26th: Key Stage 1 SPACEMAN Visit
- Tuesday February 27th: Conrad Burdekin (author & poet) workshops with all Year groups. Organised by PTFA for World Book Day
- Monday March 4th: Liz Flanagan (local author) whole school assembly and writing workshop with Year 5/6
- Thursday March 7th: World Book Day dressing up! More details to follow in first week back after half-term
- Week beginning March 11th : SCIENCE WEEK
- All clubs (Yoga, Multi-Skills & Singing) will start week beginning February 26th. Only Karate will run in the first week back.
- Heads up! Parent Consultations are due to take place week beginning April 15th. Letters will be sent home before we break for Easter.

**Have a lovely break &
see you back on Monday 19th February**