



Cotherstone Primary School

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Website

We have recently updated some information regarding the teaching of reading on the website. Documents can be found under the 'Our Curriculum' section.

Dinosaurs

By Morgan

Before the summer holidays, Will, who is in Year 7 now, and I wrote a long letter to the Teesdale Action Partnership, asking for some money for whatever we wanted in school. After some research and a school vote we made our decision. Back and forth Will and I went, asking Dr Jellis and Mr B to check our letter. It took us about 5 tries before they were happy! Then on my own I copied out the letter ready to send. In the end it was all worth it.



So far we have taken delivery of two dinosaur models (a T-rex and a stegosaurus). We are awaiting delivery of a lion. When the models

are ready we will paper mache and paint them. If we want to change them in the future we can using the same method again and we'll have our own Jurassic Park!

Corky Paul Trip

On Tuesday, Class 2 went to the Witham Hall to see Korky Paul. He does the drawings of Winnie the Witch in the books. Instead of her riding her broomstick, he drew her on a baguette with melted cheese, lettuce and tomato. There was a ticket which had a number on it and if Korky Paul wrote it down on the canvas, if you had that number on your ticket you would get a book illustrated by Korky Paul. Bella and Toby were lucky and won a book each. In Class 2 we have the picture that Korky Paul drew in which Winnie is riding on a baguette.

Children in Need Ramble

By Mrs Sabey

We all wrapped up nice and warm for our ramble this morning. The



whole school plus staff and lots of parent helpers rambled all the way up the railway line to the bridge, where we stopped for a short

Dates for your diary

Dates in bold are new additions from the last

Newsletter

24th Nov - Celebration Assembly 2:45pm

1st Dec - FOCS Village Xmas light switch on and carols around the tree 6pm

8th Dec - Celebration Assembly 2:45pm

13th Dec pm - Cantata

15th Dec - Christmas Lunch

19th Dec - KS2 Recorder/flute performance @ Teesdale School

20th Dec - Holly & Ivy @ The Witham

21st Dec - Christingle @ St Cuthberts

Don't forget to book your child's place at Cool Kids!

Contact Claire on 0751 2917262

break and refreshments, which powered us on to return back to school, where we dropped off Class 1 children before key stage 2 children and the grown ups continued on to the second leg of our ramble, along past the allotments, past Abraham Hilton's grave then down to the river before returning to the village and along to school. We would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who has donated. We have raised over £400! We have sent one of the lovely photos that we took along the way in to the BBC so look out for us on telly tonight!

Please continue to send in any remaining sponsor money. We will announce our grand total in next week's newsletter. Thank you!

Year 6 Visit to Teesdale School

Children in year 6 have been invited to lunch at Teesdale School on Wednesday. As well as being provided with lunch, they will have the opportunity to spend some time with some of our former pupils who moved up last year. Children will travel with either Dr Jellis or Mrs Batchelor and will return in time for the end of the school day.

Recorder and Flute Performance

Please return ASAP your reply slip concerning the recorder and flute performance that children in KS2 have been invited to play at on 19th December at Teesdale School. Just in case you haven't yet seen the letter, it was given out on Monday.

Staff Offsite

Thurs - Miss Thomas

Homework

Class 1 - Times Tables

Class 2 - Literacy- Greek Myth setting and spellings

Maths- Angles

Class 3 - Spellings

Numeracy: Imperial & metric measurements

Literacy: Adverbials

News from The Friends of Cotherstone School

Mary Hepburn will be selling homemade Christmas cakes at the Christmas Tree Light switch on, 1st December on the village green. All proceeds are being donated to Friends of Cotherstone School.

Thank you to everyone who has completed a questionnaire (it's not too late to return it if you still haven't done it!) We have had a lot of Parents/Carers approach us with lots of ideas and offers of help. Even the small offer of making teas at an event is always appreciated!

There is a very sparkly box located next to the School Office (you can't miss it!) Please use this for any ideas/suggestions you may have, get the kids involved, posting your family's ideas! It's a great point of communication for us.

Thank you to everyone who came to the Christmas Sparkle event. A great time was had by all and some beautiful homemade decorations were made.

There are still a few slots left on the Prosecco and Pamper evening on 8th December. Please see Rachel Goldsborough for more information and to book a ticket.