



Cotherstone Primary School

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COVID 19/Coronavirus

Please note that we are following the guidance from Public Health England to keep children safe.

Class 2

We are delighted to announce that, for the duration of Miss Thomas' maternity leave, we will welcome to our staff Miss Gillard. She has met the children and will be visiting school again before the Easter holidays. She will start as Class 2 teacher on our return in the summer term.

Eden Camp Trip Report

By James W

Last Friday, Class 3 went to Eden Camp in North Yorkshire. When we arrived we saw a Spitfire that was on poles so you could see the whole plane. There was another Spitfire but that was grounded. We went into huts to see different aspects of World War II. We saw a puppet show, tanks and jeeps. We went into a submarine hut and saw a big red button that said 'Do not touch!'. We all pressed it and it made an alarm sound. We would like to thank Kelly G for helping out on the trip.

Careers Week Part II

Tamsin - Army Doctor

By Class 1

Joseph's mum came into talk to us about her job. Her first job was as a doctor and then she trained to become an army doctor. We played a game and there was a picture of Joseph and we stuck parts of the body on it in the correct place, it was fun!

Richard M - Vet

by Isabella B, Thomas H, Sennen and Owen

As part of careers week, a vet came into Class 2 to talk to us about his job. He was called Richard Matthews. He helps lots of different smaller animals like dogs, cats or guinea pigs as well as bigger animals like cows and sheep! He showed us a clip that he and the vets from Castle Vets did on the TV! Isabella said, "It was one of my favourite career week talks!" He told us that he had to train for 5 years to become a vet and that he loves his job.

The Police

by Indi, Ashton, Aaron and Thomas G

Preet and Liz from the Police came in to talk to us about their job in the police force. Ashton said, "They talked to us about how they can arrest people as part of their job!". Aaron said, "They told us how they keep members of the public safe as part of their job." They also talked to us about what their favourite and least favourite part of the job was, which was interesting!

Harriet - Archaeologist

by Aliccia, Josie and Freya

Harriet is an archaeologist and she explained to us what her job includes. She also brought in some pottery for us to look at! She told us a story about how she found a necklace on the floor and it was made out of flint.

Keiron - Marketing & Advertising

By Kitty & Bella FB

On Thursday, Keiron came in to talk about his job at Marketing Engine and Narrative. He taught us

Dates for your diary

Dates in bold are new additions from the last Newsletter

20th Mar - FOCS Air Ambulance bag collection

26th Mar - Parents' evening - letters to be issued next week

27th Mar - 2pm School Nurse Drop-in

27th Mar - Celebration Assembly 2:45pm

2nd Apr - School closes for Easter break

20th Apr - School re-opens

Thank you for your support.

Chris Matthewman and the Cotherstone Primary School Team

about marketing, advertising and logo designing for the companies.

Jon S - IT
By Bethy

Jon S has had lots of jobs in his life like working in IT for NatWest, the NHS and more.... He currently works for HC where he controls the IT for care homes around the UK. He has to deal with over 2000 hackers a day! His job sounds interesting!

Tina - Physiotherapist
By Evie & Archie

Tina came in to talk to us about her job as a physiotherapist. She explained what she does throughout the day and the different parts of the body she works on.

Jon W - Guitarist
By Leslie & James

James and Myles' Dad came in to talk about his career, which he started as a bus driver and then a carpenter. He is now a guitarist for the amazing Renegade Jukebox and also a photographer.

Tracy W - Link worker

Tracy (James & Myles' Mum) also came in and she spoke about her career. She started off as a crime scene investigator then became a school secretary and then a social prescriber link worker.

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We would like to say a BIG thank you to everyone who gave up their spare time to come and talk to us about their working lives.

Chess Report
By Sammy & Chad

James, Archie, Sammy and Chad went to Montalbo School on 10th March, to take part in the tournament. We played matches against Montalbo, Green Lane, Gainford, Bowes Hutchinson's and St Mary's. Cotherstone finished in second place with 2 games in hand. We will be playing 3 matches next time. We would like to thank Chris T for taking us.

School Garden

We would like to say a big thank you to Kelly and Vicky who, on a very rainy Tuesday morning, this week, started work on preparing our school vegetable garden for this year's crops! FOCS are now subsequently selling raspberry canes. Canes can be found at the FOCS noticeboard and donations can be dropped off at the school office.

A Message from Alison Blagdon:
Community Garden

Inspired by the current movement to save nature and climate emergency, I've offered to volunteer to run a little nature garden project with the children at the school. Research shows that the more connected children feel to nature, the more likely they are to want to protect it. There is a really nice garden space at the front of the school grounds that is currently under used and I thought it would be lovely to get the kids involved in encouraging nature in this area. Initial ideas are round planting flowers to attract butterflies, making bird feeders and bug houses as well as generally sprucing up the space so it can be enjoyed. Could you help? Looking for anyone who might like to help or give a couple of hours to tidying or planting (I don't know much about planting!).

If you would like to get involved please contact Ally - Alison_hammock@yahoo.co.uk

Homework

Class 1 - Please see homework book.

Class 2 - Science - Electricity. Numeracy: Area of shapes. Spellings - week 3.

Class 3 - World War II project. French vocabulary work. Spellings.

**News from The Friends of
Cotherstone School**

Thank you everyone who has left a donation at the school office for the raspberry canes...we have made £35 to date and hope that there are a few more donations to come in.

Vicky Hindle has kindly offered to sell eggs from her hens and ducks and donate the proceeds to FOCS. They are available at the school office for £1.50 per half a dozen.

We are meeting this Monday, 16th March, at 7:30pm in the Fox and Hounds for anyone wishing to get involved with FOCS. It would be lovely to see new faces.

Don't forget our GNAA Collection is next Friday, 20th March from the top of the school car park. Please leave your donations at school drop off.

Thank you again, FOCS