



Cotherstone Primary School Newsletter

Friday 14th July 2023

Lunch money

It would be much appreciated if you could settle your child's lunch account before the summer break. Emails have been issued, but please do contact the school office if you need any further information. Thank you.

Pre-school

From September we plan to alter pre-school children's access arrangements. Whilst using the main door has worked well, it can be disruptive to children working in the hall and class 1 at times. We are therefore going to use the door which will take the children directly in the pre-school classroom, which is to the rear of the school, at the top of the carpark. Please continue to use the school pathways, and avoid walking up the carpark at drop off and pick up times.

We are going to trial the new arrangement next week in order to troubleshoot any problems which may arise. We also plan to place some cones along the top of the car park, the cones have been ordered but not yet arrived.

After School Club

We are happy to announce that from September Mr Leinster will run an 'Arts and Crafts Night' on Mondays, 'Outdoor Learning' on Tuesdays, 'Football Club' on Wednesdays and Derrick, our school chef, supported by Evie Bark, will run 'Cookery Club' on Thursdays. Please give the school a call if you would like to book your child into any of our clubs.

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It's been a busy penultimate week in Class 3. We started the week off by heading to an Orienteering event at Staindrop where Class 3 worked in small groups to find clues and solve riddles. They showed some excellent teamwork skills.

We have been reading our class text, Holes. We thought carefully about the clues about each character and used our inference and retrieval reading skills to predict what the characters appearance is like and what they are like as a character. Class 3 had to use quotes from the text as evidence to back up their predictions. We then watched a section of the clip to see if they were correct. Lots were surprised about what Mr. Sir was like (especially his sideburns!).

As part of our maths work on coordinates, Class 3 have enjoyed playing the 'Pirate Game' a game of pure luck which involves hiding symbols in a coordinate grid, each one with a meaning, some good and some rather funny like 'halve someone's score'!

On Wednesday, Year 6 enjoyed their water fight - some were soaked whereas I actually came out reasonably 'dry'. Mr Leinster and Summer and Sennen in particular on the other hand...

We have also been busy creating props and rehearsing our play which will take place on Wednesday!

Miss Thomas



Awards

Class 1: Star of the Week: Sonny for fantastic reading and blending. Presentation: Evie

Class 2: Star of the Week: Oakley for great teamwork! Presentation: Joss

Class 3: Star of the Week: Jon for your excellent acting skills throughout play rehearsal- you are a star!
Presentation - Jake



This week's lunchtime awards go to:

Isla S - for her lovely manners at lunchtime

Rupert - for being a great role model at the dinner table

Reuben - for his lovely manners at lunchtime

Jake - for helping lunchtime staff tidy up the playground

Homework

Class 1: Please see your child's individual folder

Class 2: Think about costume/props for the play

Class 3: Keep learning your lines (no scripts from Monday!) get your costumes ready :)

A Message from Friends of Cotherstone School

Please note that FOCS have covered all costs associated with the play, to be held on 19th July, and so will be asking for donations on entry, as well as providing refreshments.



Dates for your diary

w/c 17th July - Week 1 of lunch menu

19th July - Leavers assembly and key stage 2 play 1pm. Parents can arrive from 12:45pm.

21st July - School closes for summer break

5th September - School re-opens for new academic year

22nd September - Bag2School collection

Thank you for your continued support.

If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Mrs Gibson and the Cotherstone Team