



Cranwell Primary School

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Thurston Trip Success

Once again another successful trip to Thurston, Coniston in the Lake District, took place last week.

A group consisting of 36 children from year 5, together with Miss Rebecca Hill, Mrs Helen Holmes, Miss Jessica Marsh, Mr Pete Nelstrop (Chair of Governors), Mr Colin Owen (School Governor) and Mr Chris Wilson embarked on what was an adventurous week!

The children took part in activities including mini and large ghyll scrambling, climbing, canoeing, Blast Off, orienteering, abseiling, mountain biking, kayaking and mountain walking.

At the end of each day, between 7 and 9pm, the children completed other physical activities followed by relaxation in 'The Barn', an area designed for socialising.

The week is physically challenging and a chance to experience adventurous activities in a safe environment.

Well done to all of those children who attended.

The staff at Thurston commented on how enthusiastic and physically fit our children are. They also were able to work very well as a team and help one another when required. Their full commitment into every activity was brilliant. I was delighted to notice how the children were willing to try any food on offer to them at dinner, and the children ate very well. It was extremely pleasing to see that many of the children had practised changing and making beds.

Some personal goals for the children to work on include: personal organisation (knowing which clothes are theirs), table manners (being able to use a knife and fork) and listening fully to instructions (to know what items they required).



Letter to Mr Cameron

Three children from 5B today posted letters to the Prime Minister, asking him to take action to decrease the amount of recyclable rubbish that ends up in landfill. We have been researching recycling rates in our country and comparing them with those of other countries; we came to the conclusion that we need to do more to protect our precious environment. We wrote persuasive letters, with lots of suggestions of ways to tackle the problem, and the best three were selected; they belonged to Meera Hall, Jake Hobster and Emily Nicholson. The class received a letter back from the Prime Minister praising them for their ideas. Well done, 5B!



MacMillan Mile

The Whole School will be joining RAFC Cranwell on Wednesday 3rd June 2015 to help raise money for the MacMillan Trust. Parents are welcome to join us on the day. More details to follow.

Grandparent's Day

With Grandparent's Day fast approaching preparations are well underway.

If your family's Grandparents wish to attend on 22nd May please complete the request form on the letter received. Please note this is for Grandparents only. I am sure that you will respect and understand the school's position that the day must be a Grandparent's day only due to the volume of adults / children in school. Some 400 Grandparents attend the event and it is therefore impossible to cater for any additional adults. Please note for security reasons, Grandparent's will be issued with invitations and will require them on the day. A family carer may accompany infirm or disabled visitors.

Parent's Afternoon

Parents' Afternoon will be held on Thursday 21st May from 1.15pm. You will have the opportunity to tour the school with your children and join in with activities.

If you have not already requested an invitation, forms are available from the school office.

At 1:30pm the Foundation Stage will be performing a play in the hall called 'The Queen's Knickers' and Classes 2C, 1M & 1B will be singing.

At 2:15pm the Drama group will be performing their current play 'Robin Hood'.

Doors will open just before 1.15pm and refreshments will be served during the afternoon.

Sports' Days

This year's Sports' Days will be held on:

Key Stage One Sports' Day Thursday 16th July @ 1:15pm

Key Stage Two Sports' Day Friday 17th July @ 1:15pm.

Assessment Time

SATs week for Key Stage 2 is nationally arranged for the week beginning 11th May 2015. All Key Stage 2 children will be participating in the tests.

Key Stage 1 testing of SATs will take place from the beginning of May until 22nd May 2015, and therefore children need to be in school during this time.

Year 1 Phonics Screening will be taking place during the month of June 2015 and is a Government requirement. Therefore, please ensure your child is in school during this period. Absences during this time may be classified as unauthorised.

Plants or Tools Please

Have you any outside plants or bushes you will be looking to pull out of your garden and get rid of? If you have, or could donate any plants to the school, we would be most grateful. We are also looking for any unwanted garden tools.

Dates

SATs Week

Week beginning 11th May

Parent's Afternoon

Thursday 21st May 2015

Grandparent's Day

Friday 22nd May 2015

MacMillan Mile

Wednesday 3rd June 2015 leaving school @ 11:30am

Experiences' Day

Friday 12th June 2015

Whole School Picnic/Fun Afternoon

Thursday 2nd July 2015

School BBQ

Tuesday 14th July 2015 from 5:00pm till 7:30pm

Key Stage One Sports' Day

Thursday 16th July 2015 @ 1:15pm

Key Stage Two Sports' Day

Friday 17th July 2015 @ 1:15pm

This Academic year:

Term 5 ends – Friday 22nd May 2015

Term 6: Monday 1st June – Wednesday 22nd July 2015

Next Academic year:

Term 1: Thurs 3rd September – Thurs 22nd October 2015

Term 2: Mon 2nd November – Thurs 17th December 2015

Term 3: Tuesday 5th January – Fri 12th February 2016

Term 4: Monday 22nd February – Wed 23rd March 2016

Term 5: Monday 11th April – Friday 27th May 2016

Term 6: Monday 6th June – Thursday 21st July 2016

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