



## Cawthorne's Endowed Primary School

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### Weekly Newsletter

13th November 2023

#### **NISCU**

On Monday afternoon we will welcome the Northern Inter-Schools Christian Union into school to work with the children in the lead up to Christmas with worked based around the Nativity story.

#### **Tag Rugby**

The Year 5 and 6 children will be traveling to Wray Primary school on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November for a tag rugby competition against other schools in the Lune Valley Cluster. This will be instead of swimming. They will need a packed lunch on the day and come to school in their PE kits.

#### **Dr Preeti**

On Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November we welcome Dr Preeti into school to talk to the Juniors about her Hindu faith and Diwali celebrations.

#### **Year 5 and 6 Swimming Gala**

On Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November the Year 5 and 6 children will be travelling to Heysham High School by minibus to take part in a swimming gala against other schools in the Lune Valley Cluster. Children will need to bring their swimming kit and a packed lunch on the day.

#### **Borwick Hall**

The whole school Rec-Y6 will be going to Borwick Hall for an outdoor pursuits day on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November we will be leaving school at 9am and will return at approximately 4.30pm. Could all children please be wearing clothes suitable for outdoor activities including a warm waterproof coat and waterproof trousers. The children will need a sensible pair of trainers/walking boots plus a pair of wellies and a spare set of clothes. They will also need a packed lunch in a disposable bag.

#### **Assessments**

During the week beginning 20<sup>th</sup> November children from Year 1 up to Year 6 will be completing assessments in maths, reading and spelling punctuation and grammar. These help teachers to assess progress of children so far this year and children do not need to do anything in preparation for these.

#### **Christmas Bingo**

The Friends of Abbeystead School have organised a Christmas Bingo. This will be a family event at the Village Hall on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 7pm. Cakes and Mulled Wine will be served and there will be chocolate prizes to be won. All proceeds will go towards the school. Please invite your friends and family.

#### **School Applications**

If your child is in their last year of pre-school/nursery you can now apply for their primary school place at: [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools) It's quick and easy to do and you will receive email confirmation of your application. You must apply even if you already have siblings in school. The closing date for primary applications for September 2024 is 15 January 2024.

**Forest Schools  
Nursery & Reception**

Each Wednesday

**Swimming**

Thursday 2pm

**Tennis Club**

Lunchtime Friday

**Y5/6 Tag Rugby**

Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Nov 12pm

**Y5/6 Swimming Gala**

Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov 10am

**Rec- Y6 Borwick Hall**

Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Nov 9am to 4.30pm

**Family Bingo**

Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Dec 7pm

**Christmas Fair**

Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 3.30pm

**Christmas Play**

Tue 19<sup>th</sup> Dec @ 6pm

Christmas Holiday

Inset Days

Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> & Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec

School Closed

Mon 25<sup>th</sup> Dec – Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Jan

(Inclusive)

**Weekly Theme**

Our theme this week is  
Respecting Points of View.

Following on from  
recognising differences we  
will talk about others'  
beliefs and how to respect  
those.

Messages from the teachers

**Mr Corbett, Mrs Hanigan and Mrs German**

Today we have had a visit from Sarah Dodd from Niscu who talked to us all about the Light of the World.

This week we will be writing our own fables in English based on the Tortoise and the Hare which we will publish by the end of the week.

In Topic this week we will be designing our own prehistoric houses and then building them on the grass in the playground. The Year 5 and 6 are looking forward to their Tag Rugby competition in Wray on Thursday.

**Mrs Unsworth, Mrs Oram and Mrs Harkin**

This week the FS children will be learning all about 2d shape, please encourage your child to spot shapes when out and about and at home. Today we have been learning all about castles, the children have produced some fabulous pieces of work based on the artist Paul Klee. The children in year 1 & 2 will be finishing our writing all about Zog by Julia Donaldson, focussing on alternative endings. In Science we will be continuing to look at weather, it seems the perfect week for it! Our mathematics will continue on with shape, we have worked so hard over the past few weeks, please continue to listen to your child read every evening at home, it makes such a difference in school.



**Celebration Corner:**

**Family Assembly**

Family Assemblies will be held each Friday at 3.10pm, Year 4 children will be celebrating their work this week.

**Stars of the Week**

Well done to Hattie and Stanley D who were our stars at the end of last week.



**PUPIL VOICE**

**Mufti Days for the Christmas Fair**

**Fri 17<sup>th</sup> November** - wear your own clothes in exchange for an item for the luxury hamper.

**Fri 8<sup>th</sup> December** – Wear your pyjamas in exchange for chocolate.