

Flookburgh C of E School Newsletter

Friday 25th September 2020



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Headteacher Message:

Dear Parents and Families,

The weeks are certainly flying by; it's difficult to think that we are entering our 4th week back at school and October is just around the corner! However, our children have had lots of fun learning experiences again this week – virtual Karate via Zoom went down a storm with our older children as did their outdoor forest school learning with Nes, not to mention a 'virtual puppy' experience (We'll let the children in Class 4 tell you more about that!).

As I mentioned last week, there is a huge amount of information circulating at the moment and, with the recent government announcement on Tuesday of further restrictions, I wanted to reassure you of the measures that we have in place in school.

Hopefully, you will have had a chance to visit our website: www.flookburgh.cumbria.sch.uk to take a look at the class risk assessments that all members of the teaching team, with myself, have put together to update you with what we have in place for the safety of your children. These are 'live' documents and will change on a regular basis to reflect current guidance and school procedures so, please keep checking in.

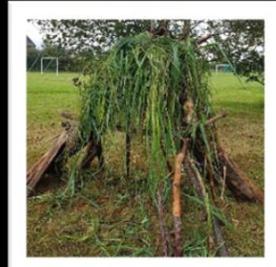
Thank you to everyone for your continued support, patience and flexibility during this time.

As always, take care and stay safe everyone,

Gill Pett (Headteacher)

Please find links to current guidance, etc for your information, on the final page of our newsletter.

THIS WEEK'S PHOTO GALLERY!



CLASS WINNERS!

HUGE Congratulations to this week's Class Champions:

Class 1: Theo Burrow - for excellent using his Maths skills and Numicon to build towers.

Class 2: Deon Nyamai- For excellent independent work and fantastic vocabulary words in our English Experience Day.

Class 3: Ava Porter and Grace Wheatman – For being extremely helpful this week and trying hard in their learning.

Class 4: Niamh Nelson – For picking apples from her garden to sell for St Mary's hospice! Well done, Niamh.



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FOREST SCHOOLS WITH NES – Class 3 & 4.

Class 3 & 4, with the help of Miss Dawson, Miss Horne and Mrs Keith, had a great second forest school session with our outdoor leader, Nes on Thursday afternoon.

We learnt how to tie different knots on sticks to create tripods and then used these skills to create human-sized dens.

The children were very creative with their ideas and made some impressive dens (definitely needed with the sudden rain downpour we had!)

Miss Dawson was especially impressed with Amelia (Class 4), who helped to support all of the younger children with their knot-tying.

Thank you to Nes for a great session this week. We have 1 more session to look forward to with Nes!

Well done everyone!



Class of the Week: Class 2

This week we've been busy looking at lots of different treasures from Grandad's attic in English from our book Grandad's Island. We were particularly taken with the vinyl record player and the anchor.

We've also been busy during our Discovery Time in the provision areas constructing Syd and Grandad's house, using the light table to become illustrators, reading books and coting for our end of day story and so much more! What a fantastic week, Class 2!

Well done on a fantastic week, Class 2!



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Allergies within School.

Just an important reminder regarding nut allergies within school. We do have pupils in school who have an allergy to nuts. This allergy has the potential to cause them serious harm if they were to come into contact or ingest nuts in any form.

As you are aware, we take the safety of all of our children in school extremely seriously. We have a number of children in school who live and deal very well with allergies and all staff are aware of the measures to put in place to ensure their safety through working closely with parents. All staff who work in school have undertaken training in relation to this particular allergy, due to the serious nature of potential consequences. As you will understand, as parents, the health and well-being of our children is paramount and as such, from January 2020, we have endeavored to have as 'nut free' an environment as we possibly can.

Obviously, we need your help, support and understanding with this and ask that you are mindful of the snacks which you give your children for breaktimes and the contents of packed lunches. We understand and acknowledge that most packaging states contents, 'may contain nuts' or 'has been packaged in an environment which may contain nuts' we realise that it may be impossible to eliminate all traces of nuts. All we ask is that you are careful in what you give your child as a snack or lunch to bring into school and speak to your child, as we will, to ensure they do not share any of their snack or lunch with any other child so that we can minimise the risk.

Thank you for your understanding and support; if there is anything which you would like further information about, please feel free to speak with your child's class teacher, admin staff or Mrs Pett.

We are all so proud of the wonderful Nelson family, who have been busy fundraising money for a great cause!

William, Niamh and Emma Nelson decided they wanted to do something to raise money for St Mary's, because they realised that the hospice's usual fundraising activities have been affected by Covid. They sold apples and pears from the trees in their garden outside their house at the weekend and raised an amazing £55.00! Well done!   

Breakfast club

with Mrs Shaw and Mrs Pett.
8.00am – 8.45am.

Payment via ParentPay.



AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS

Tuesday: Mrs Robinson's Mindfulness Club: 15.20 – 16.15

Wednesday: Miss Horne's Wild Wednesday Club: 15.20 – 16.15

Thursday: Miss Dawson's Technology Club: 15.20 – 16.15

FILM CLUB: All of our clubs are followed by Film Club: 16.15 – 17.00, which also provides each child with a drink of juice and popcorn to enjoy!

Remember to let Class Teachers know if you would like your child/ren to join a club.

Payment via ParentPay.



Attendance Week Ending: Friday 18th September 2020

Class 1	98.19%
Class 2	96.7%
Class 3	96.86%
Class 4	96.54%
Whole School: 97.0%	

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Internet Safety Link for your information and records:



<https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety->

National Online Safety Details:

- www.nationalonlinesafety.com
- Twitter - @natonlinesafety
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LATEST GOVERNMENT GUIDANCE & INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND AT:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-in-the-autumn-term>

GOV.UK

How to protect yourselves and those around you: <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION (COVID-19) HELPLINE:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Opening hours:

Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm

CUMBRIA COUNTY COUNCIL INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE:

Flu Vaccine – Who is eligible and How to book a flu jab:

<https://cumbria.gov.uk/healthandwellbeing/flu vaccine.asp>

CUMBRIA COUNTY COUNCIL COVID-19 UPDATES:

The link below shows the tracking of the virus within our county:

<https://www.cumbria.gov.uk/publichealth/covid19outbreakcontrol.asp>

PUBLIC HEALTH ENGLAND – ‘Every Mind Matters’: [Better Health – Every Mind Matters campaign](#)

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