



Netherthorpe Primary School Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers

9th March 2016

Once again time is whizzing by so quickly! There are just two weeks left before school closes for the Easter holidays and there is still so much to do.



Y1 went on a trip to Bolsover castle on Friday 4 March. The weather was very cold but the children had a fantastic time. The Y2 children went to the castle yesterday and they also had a fantastic time.

Zoo Lab will be coming to visit F1 and F2 on Wednesday 9 March. This will be a very exciting visit for the children. They will be able to see lots of small creatures up close and also touch them (if they want to).



Y6 took part in our annual visit to

Crucial Crew earlier this term. This is one of their most



important trips because they begin to prepare for the move to secondary school which is now only a few months away. **During last week Y6 children found out which secondary school they have been offered a place at.** If you are a Y6 parent and haven't heard about your child's next school yet, please come to

see Mrs Ainsley who will do her best to help you find out.

Special points of interest:

- ☺ Zoo Lab
- ☺ Parent Information
- ☺ Whirlow
- ☺ P.E.
- ☺ Historical timeline

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A couple of weeks ago Y6 were visited by some children from Tapton School to learn about robots and apps. Y5 and Y6 then visited Tapton to see if they could program robots and make them move. Talking to the children, they had a really interesting visit and found that making robots move is not as easy as they thought. Who knows, if they keep at it, we might have the next Alan Turing or Tim Berners-Lee!

P.E. Kits

Recently a few children have not been bringing their P.E. kits to school regularly.

Please make sure that children have a change of clothes for P.E.

(Physical Education). This should include: a tee shirt, shorts or jogging bottoms plimsolls for the Sports Hall and either plimsolls or trainers for outside. Tee shirts, shorts and plimsolls can be purchased at local supermarkets . Plimsolls can also be purchased at Wyndsors shoe shop (just opposite Tesco).



If you are unsure about which shoes are suitable for P.E. please ask your class teacher or the office staff.

History Challenge



You may have noticed that we have a **timeline of historical events** upstairs in our dining hall. As we learn about different periods of time we add information to this timeline. At the moment we haven't got any information about events since 2003. We would like you to discuss any significant world events that have happened in the last 13 years with your children and send in your thoughts and ideas to us. We will add the most popular and relevant events to our display. (Please look out for further information before the end of term.)

Holiday Reminder

I would like to remind you that **school will be closed to children on Friday 18 March and will open again on Monday 4 April 2016.**

Staff News

Finally, it is with sadness that I need to tell you that one of our fantastic office workers, Mrs Margaret Gray, is leaving at the end of this term to semi-retire and spend more time going on fabulous holidays with her husband. Margaret has worked at Netherthorpe for six years and will be missed by us all. We wish her every happiness for the future and hope that she comes back to visit us very soon

As always, thank you for your continued support. If you have any concerns or queries, please don't hesitate in coming to see me.

Yours sincerely,

Elizabeth Gray

Head teacher