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The weekly news from Isaac Newton School, Grantham

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Dear Parents/Carer

Happy New Year! I hope that you all had a great Christmas and managed to enjoy the break from school. We've now been back at school for almost two weeks and the children have settled back into school life seamlessly! I've been very impressed with how immersed all of them have been in their learning and they are clearly very excited about their new topics!

Our themes for the term are as follows:

Reception: We're Going On a Bear Hunt

Year 1/2: Into The Woods

Year 3/4: The Stone Age

Year 5/6: Misty Mountains

Our teachers have organised many exciting trips and experiences for the children to help them get even more excited about their learning. Soon, our Year 3 and 4 children will be experiencing a Stone Age Workshop in school. In March, our Year 5 and 6 children will be visiting the Yorkshire Wildlife Park where they will learn all about different types of animals, their habitats and how they have adapted over time. This links closely to their work in science.

I'm delighted to announce that this week we have had new markings put down onto our Key Stage One playground and they look absolutely fantastic! I've been outside at playtime this week and it's been great to see all the children playing on them and telling me how much they enjoy them. Due to funding obtained through grants and money raised by our PTA we have been able to afford to have



this work completed, so thank you for all of your support at school events!



This money has also allowed us to have some new equipment installed onto the Key Stage Two playground. This will go where the story chair currently is as this is being relocated to the forest area and the raised decking area will be removed. I've seen the designs for the equipment and it looks amazing! We hope to have the work completed in the near future and I will make sure I put some pictures into the newsletter.

We're all very much looking forward to the term ahead and I can't wait to see all of the fantastic work that our children will produce and the progress that they will make in 2020!

Chris Heathcote

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Headteacher

Healthy Eating

At Isaac Newton Primary School we think it is very Healthy School important to teach the children about making healthy lifestyle choices. This year Mrs Atter will be undertaking the task of leading the school in getting a 'Health Schools Rating'. She has already been doing lots of work and has been focusing on how healthy our food actually is in school- including snacks and packed lunches!



So far we have been focusing on snacks. Tuck Shop now **Mackin** only sells healthy snacks, such as cereal bars, fruit shapes and rice cakes. There

will be no more crisps and chocolate! A huge thank you to Mrs Goodwin for sorting this out. Within the next few weeks we will also be providing all children in Key Stage Two with free fruit at breaktimes for the foreseeable future. This already happens in Key Stage One due to government funding, but we have sourced some additional money so that we are able to provide this for children in Key Stage Two also.

We would very much appreciate your support with healthy eating in school so if you could encourage your children to eat the free fruit and ensure that they are only coming to school with healthy snacks then that would be fantastic. We also hope that by providing this fruit it will stop many of our children eating some of their packed lunches at playtime!

We look forward to seeing more healthy initiatives coming into school over the academic year.

Badminton

This week we took six year 4 children to a Badminton Festival at KGGS. They learned

all about the game of Badminton, taking part in a round robin of skill based activities. They had a great time, well done everyone!



Swimarathon

The annual Rotary Club 'Swimarathon' takes place on Sunday 9th February. We have now filled all of the places in our teams- a huge thank you to all those who have agreed to take part. If you find that you are unable to make the event then please see Mrs Toole or Mrs Haddock ASAP as we can then offer your place to someone on our waiting list. I'm very much looking forward to seeing you all on the day and swimming along with you- good luck with the sponsors!

New Age Kurling

Last week we took a team to the New Age Kurling Competition School at Kings Sports Hall. They competed in a league format, playing matches against other local primary schools.



They secured 2 wins, 2 draws and 1 loss. The boys were fantastic all afternoon, supporting each other and working incredibly well as a team. They finished third in their league, moving on to play their final game to decide 5th and 6th place in the competition overall. They won this final game convincingly, securing 5th place out of 13 schools. Well done boys, you are a credit to Isaac Newton!!

School Disco

The School Discos will take place on Tuesday 11th February.

Years 1 and 2 4:30pm until 5:30pm -£2.00 including crisps, a drink and disco hire.

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 6:00pm-7:15pm - £2 including crisps, a drink and disco hire.

Please note that we do not hold a disco for Reception children due to their age.

Nuts in School

Due to allergies in school, please can we remind parents and carers that children should not have products which contain



nuts in their pack lunches or as snacks. Some of our children (and staff) can have very serious reactions, such as anaphylaxis, should they come into contact with nuts. Thank you for your support with this matter.

Homework

The children have already been busy with topic related homework. They have worked extremely hard and it's lovely to see how much time and effort has gone into some of the creations!



Shutting School For Snow With cold spells forecast we would like to ensure that all Parents/Carers are aware of the way in which we would notify you should we have to close school. We would never take this decision lightly and would only close the school should we assess the situation and realise that staff or pupils would be in danger should we open. Notification of any closure would be by local radio, word of mouth, Twitter, Facebook and most importantly the school website.

Dates For Your Diary:

Swimarathon Meres Leisure Centre.	School Term Dates:
9 th February (Meet at 9.00am)	Term 1 4 Sept - 18 Oct
Year 3 Stone Age Workshop	October Break
10 th February (School Hall)	Term 2 29 Oct - 19 Dec
Year 4 Stone Age Workshop	Christmas Break
(School Hall)	Term 3 6 Jan - 13
Infants Disco (4.30pm-5.30pm)	February Break
Junior Disco (6.00pm-7.15pm)	Term 4 24 February – 2 Apr
Year 5 Yorkshire Wildlife Park Visit	Easter Break
Year 6 Yorkshire Wildlife Park Visit	Term 5 20 Apr - 22 May
Parents' Evening (until 8pm)	May Break
Parents' Evening (until 5pm)	Term 6 1 Jun - 21 Jul
Year 5 half day visit to PGL.	Summer Holiday
Class Photographs	
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