



# BEECH HILL NEWS



Friday 22nd January 2021

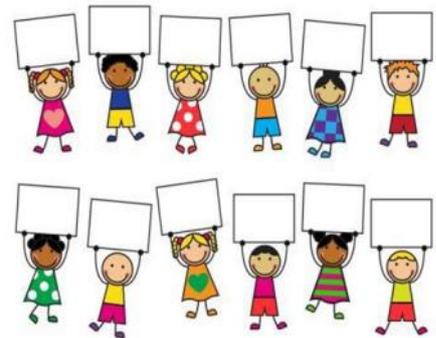
Once again, I would like to thank all the parents who have been supporting us with remote learning at home. We have continued to have fantastic engagement in our live zoom lessons this week and teachers have commented on how much they have enjoyed engaging with the children who are not in school. Unfortunately, we have had some inappropriate use of language in a few sessions and have had to remove pupils from the zoom lessons. Please ensure there is adult supervision when your child is on their lesson and please go through the rules for zoom lessons which have been posted on Seesaw, as well as referring to the information below. We will not tolerate poor behaviour in these sessions as this will result in the child being banned from them. The teachers are all working hard to ensure pupils have the best opportunity to learn and make progress during this period of closure and we would like to continue with this.

With regard to children in school, it has been lovely to see them arriving at school eager to learn and being very productive in classes. We are very proud to be delivering the curriculum in the same way as we had already planned to before we moved to our new blended learning offer. Please can we remind parents that we are now at full capacity in line with Calderdale advice and are not in a position to offer any more places in school. Please refer to the information on our website for further details.

I have enjoyed looking at the work posted on Seesaw and it is lovely to see all the children, including our nursery pupils, sharing their work once they have completed it. I particularly enjoyed looking at the weather charts produced by our Nursery children. Let's hope we can use the sunshine symbol soon!

Enjoy the weekend,

Mrs Hussain



## Important Message Regarding Zoom Lessons

Please can we ask that all parents/carers monitor their children whilst they are working online and particularly during the live Zoom lessons. There have been some incidents of inappropriate behaviour on Zoom lessons over the last two weeks which has led to some Zoom lesson exclusions. Staff in school are busier than ever at the moment so it is vital that parents are closely supervising their children at home in order that the live lessons can continue. Content of Zoom lessons must not be photographed or recorded as they should not be shared publicly and this could lead to criminal prosecution. Additionally, children must be in Zoom lessons within the first 10 minutes otherwise they will not be admitted because they will have missed the main input and it is disruptive to the lesson.



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Healthy School

## Reception

This week Reception have been making some African animals using paper plates and African patterns using paint, because we are reading the story Handa's Surprise. We have been filling in the missing words of sentences in Literacy and practising doubling in maths using ladybirds to help us.

Thank you to all the children at home who have joined Miss Holmes' maths and Literacy lessons on zoom. We are very happy and proud to see how many of you are working so hard at home.



## Year 1

Year 1 have continued to do some amazing learning this week at home and in school. We are so impressed with the number of children accessing our live lessons and then uploading their work on Seesaw for us to look at - well done!



We have continued our class text, Funny-bones. Children have been sequencing the story and then orally retelling the story in their own words. Children at school have also started Forest School or art, with our Artist in Residence.

## Chick Experience

Next Monday - 25<sup>th</sup> January - Year 2 will be receiving the 'Chick Experience'.



There will be around ten eggs that will arrive in Year 2 to bring our Life Cycle topic to life.

We are all very excited! Keep an eye out on your class Seesaw accounts to see how they're doing. We will put an update in the newsletter too.

It sure will be an 'egg-cellent' experience for all. Churp Churp.



## Year 2

What a fantastic week! A huge well done to those children in school and at home for all their hard work. This week we hit our record number of home learners and we can't wait for it to continue next week! We've been learning about the purpose and features of instructions alongside column subtraction from 100 and adding three numbers together.

The children have continued with our topic of animals, sequencing the life cycle of a chicken and creating some stunning artwork inspired by Nicky Corker. Mr Bullock would have been so proud as the children remembered his key mantra - don't paint to the edge of the paper!

A huge well done Year 2 - keep it up!



## Year 3

This week, year 3 have enjoyed using different pencil techniques to create textured and shading effects to a landscape picture of a dinosaur.

The techniques used were cross hatching, ripples broad arcs. Here are some amazing examples!



## Year 4

Year 4 have been continuing our Antarctica topic this week and have continued reading our class text 'Shackleton's Journey'. We have been looking at how Ernest Shackleton prepared for his expedition to Antarctica and we are going to be completing some instructional writing to explain how to prepare.



In Maths, the children have learnt how to complete column multiplication and have been applying these skills to reasoning and problem solving tasks. Miss Gledhill has been very impressed with all our home learners and Miss Walker with our in school learners. Keep up the great work Year 4!



## Year 5

Tom & Geoff (from Aquila) are missing!

Our task this week has been to file a police report detailing what has happened in this ongoing investigation.

Constable A. Bibi in Singapore reported:



Police Report

WEST YORKSHIRE POLICE

Case Number: SI 614 2021  
Incident: Missing Children  
Date: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2021  
Reporting Officer: Constable A Bibi

Around 1:40 pm on the 18<sup>th</sup> January 2021, two boys went missing. A call to 999 was made by high school teachers, Mr Uppart and Miss Taylor. The Year 7 pupils were named as Thomas Baxter and Geoffrey Reynolds and were last located at the Peak District National Park. Thomas Baxter was last seen wearing a black shirt, blue jeans and a pair of white trainers. Geoffrey Reynolds was last seen wearing brown hoodie, brown joggers and a pair of brown sneakers. Mr Uppart alerted the authorities when the boys failed to return for lunch.

## Year 6

This week in year 6, we have been learning about perimeter of different shapes in maths, programming in computing, the eruption of Mount Vesuvius and the destruction of Pompeii in English and the different parts of a volcano in geography.

The children are producing some fantastic work both in school and at home. We couldn't believe it when we found out that Mount Etna in Italy actually erupted on Wednesday this week!

The children are really enjoying this topic so far and so are the adults!



## Nursery



This week in nursery the children have enjoyed learning about the winter weather.

The children have been able to share their experiences with their peers and talk about all the fun they had in the snow.



## 2 Year Olds



## Message from Calderdale Libraries

Do you need to print any work from school and/or homework for any of your children whilst they are learning from home?



Did you know that it is FREE to print in Calderdale Libraries? All you need to do is email the document through to [CentralLibraryOpsTeam@calderdale.gov.uk](mailto:CentralLibraryOpsTeam@calderdale.gov.uk) and then you can collect it from there.



## Weather



At the moment the weather is very unpredictable.

Over the last week we have experienced everything from snow to sunshine, rain to sleet and freezing temperatures to a much more mild 10 degrees.

Please bear this in mind when sending your children into school and ensure they are dressed appropriately for the ever changing weather.



## New National Lockdown - CMBC Libraries Service Update

Due to the current lockdown, services on offer in our libraries have been scaled down.

Central Library will continue to open Tuesday to Saturday, from 10am to 4pm.

Brighouse, King Cross, Hebden Bridge and Todmorden libraries will all continue to open Monday to Saturday, from 10am to 4pm.

At all these sites, you can:

- Return items
- Collect pre-ordered items
- Request items held at any of our currently open libraries
- Use a computer. You must book in advance, by phone or email. Use is for a maximum of 45 minutes per day.

To book a computer at your chosen library, please follow the relevant link below:

Central, Halifax

<https://www.calderdale.gov.uk/v2/residents/leisure-and-culture/libraries/your-local-library/central-library>

Brighouse

<https://www.calderdale.gov.uk/v2/residents/leisure-and-culture/libraries/your-local-library/brighouse-library>

King Cross

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Todmorden

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