

Monday 2nd March 2020

Spring Term 2

It has been a very busy first week back after half term and this week will be even busier! Our teacher training day on Monday focussed on Geography and Science and ensuring that children retain 'sticky knowledge', apply it to new topics and make links. Staff have uploaded their Knowledge Organisers on the school website on the Year Group Pages so you can see the vocabulary, key questions and facts they will be learning this term, you can also see their previous learning on there also. Our next training day is on Friday 3rd April and will focus on Religious Education, the school will be closed to pupils on this day.

Our Parents' Pupil Progress Meetings also took place this week. This was a great opportunity for parents to look in books and see their child's learning and progress. If you failed to attend this appointment, please speak to your child's class teacher to rearrange. We hope to book Year 3's appointments towards the end of this half term.

World Book Day Events - This Week!!!

This week, we have lots of events taking place, it is going to be a really exciting week for our children focussed around reading! Year 3 have had a visit from poet, Conrad Burdekin this term, so on **Tuesday** afternoon, author **HARRY HEAPE** will visit the school and work with Y4, Y5 BIRCH and Y6 in the hall.

Signed books can be pre-ordered via the separate form.

On **Wednesday** morning, author **PHIL EARLE** will work with Y1 and Y2 and Y5 Holly. Children will also come to school dressed up on this day.

Don't forget to enter our 'dress a potato' competition (decorate a potato like a book character).

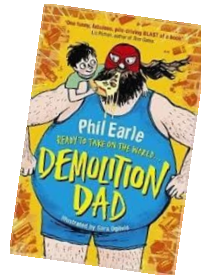
On **Friday** afternoon, Y4 will go to the Leeds Central Library for a drawing workshop with author and illustrator Chris Mould. They will study the Iron Man text in the summer term.

We are super excited about all of these events! Follow us on twitter @MiddletonStMary or on facebook: Middleton St Mary's Primary School.

Mrs N Wood, Headteacher.

Cheer

On Friday, we congratulated our Cheer after school club who competed against seven other schools in the Active School's Dance Competition, hosted by White Rose Cheer. The girls showed great rhythm, timing and their performance as a group was amazing. All of the practice and preparation since September with our Wonderful Mrs Murray paid off with the team gaining second place - silver! We are so proud of the girls they are great ambassadors for our school. We would like to thank all the parents who came along to support, it was great to see so many of you and this definitely gave the girls a boost of confidence during their performance. Miss D Kellett, Sports Coach



Diary Dates

Tuesday 3rd March – AUTHOR HARRY HEAPE – BOOK ORDERS SENT IN

Wednesday 4th March – World Book Day - Dress up – Book Character or in pyjamas, ready for a bedtime story. AUTHOR PHIL EARLE IN SCHOOL

Friday 6th March – Y4 TO LEEDS CENTRAL LIBRARY TO MEET CHRIS MOULD AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR

Wednesday 11th March
KS2 Wildcats Girls Football Festival
West Yorkshire Cross Country Finals

Thursday 19th March
Y5/Y6 TAG Rugby Competition

Tuesday 24th March – Year 4 to Piano Fantasia @ Leeds Town Hall