

# FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

#### **Champion Minds**

On Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February, we had a Champion Minds Afternoon. There was a mixture of problem solving activities through Drama, PE, Puzzles and Mathematics to help the children develop perseverance and resilience.

#### Zoolab

Our Reception children have enjoyed an exciting

visit from Zoolab and they have met and handled a cockroach, frog, snake and a very cute hedgehog. Along the way they were learning about which animals make up the Chinese Zodiac.





### **Sporting Influence**

This half term some of our Year 5 and 6 children are learning Dodgeball skills and are taking part in competitions at Harrogate High School on a Wednesday after school.

# Jamie's Italian and Harrogate Library visit

Our Year 5 and 6 children have taken a train journey from Starbeck Station to Jamie's Italian Restaurant, Harrogate, where they learnt all about the art of pasta making. They then visited Harrogate Library, and were given a talk about how the Library system works and borrowed some books to read at home. All the children behaved brilliantly and had a fantastic time. Maple Class were incredibly patient following their train cancellation, and have learnt at an early age the joys of public transport!

#### **KS1** – Rain Forest

Our Year 1 and 2 children have been learning all about the Rain Forest and Pine, Willow and Horse Chestnut Classes created their very own special rainforest environment to enhance their learning. We are very grateful to Mr Caffrey, who very kindly let us borrow a large camoflauge net from the army.





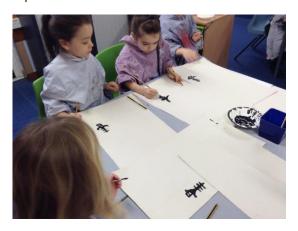
## **Safer Internet Day**

On Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February, we promoted Safer Internet Day. If you need more help and guidance please check the school website, look under the Parent/Carer section and then under the E-Safety Tab.

**Last Wednesday** we also had PCSO Richard Williams and PCSO Martin Powell come in to school to talk to the Year 5 and 6 children about keeping safe online and how to use mobile phones and social media safely and responsibly.

#### **Chinese New Year Workshop**

Pine, Horse chestnut, Willow and Oak Class have enjoyed workshops with Lotus Learners to celebrate **Chinese New Year**. Workshops included learning some Chinese words, Chinese calligraphy, crafts and playing games. In line with a Chinese New Year custom, the children also received a red envelope containing something special!



#### Willow Class Assembly

We were treated to a wonderful assembly all about the adventures of the Snow Beast and the animals in the Rainforest. The children really enjoyed sharing their learning with their parents. Well done Willow Class.

Dates to Remember
Friday 9th March 9.05am – Horse Chestnut Class
Assembly (Rearranged Date)

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March 9.05am Pine Class Assembly

W/C 19<sup>th</sup> March Sport Relief Week

**Parents Evenings** 

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March: 3.30pm – 8.00pm Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March: 3.30pm – 6.00pm

(Rearranged Dates)

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March afternoon tbc and 7.00pm Beech/Hawthorn and Oak Performances

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March – PTA Easter Activities 2.30pm School Closes for Easter

Attendance cup winners - February w/e 02.2.18 Oak Class 99.3% w/e 09.2.18 Beech Class 98.8% w/e 23.2.18 Rowan Class 100%

Well done to the above classes - keep it up!

#### Please visit the School Website

www.hookstonechaseprimary.co.uk. Letters home are posted under the 'Parents/Carers' section on the website so if you think you may have missed something it is always worth checking on here.