



FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

Welcome Back Everyone!

Welcome back to everyone after the Christmas break, which now feels a distant memory!



Although this is a relatively short half term—it is packed with events and things to look forward to. Please keep checking bags for letters every night and of course our Website, App and Facebook page are always kept updated with the latest information.

We already have some dates for your diary below which you will not want to miss and over the page we have an appeal for your help!

We do need to remind everyone that whilst new dogs and puppies are lovely, they are not permitted on school grounds. This includes the pedestrian entrance to school, which is congested at the best of times, without tethered dogs. If everyone could be mindful when tethering dogs/puppies, it would be appreciated.



There are no scooters, bikes, wheeled toys or wheeled footwear permitted to be ridden or used on the yard. Children have been advised of the sanctions if they are observed breaking this important Health and Safety rule.



Can we also remind all adults transporting children to and from school, to park respectfully. We have very good relationships with our residential neighbours and want these to continue.



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Save the Date...

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04.03.19 & 06.03.19—YEAR 4 Parent/Teacher consultation evenings.

05.03.19 & 06.03.19—YEARS 1 TO 3 Parent/Teacher consultation evenings



Weather and Closure Information

As you will no doubt have seen in reports over recent days, we are expected to receive another batch of snowy/icy weather next week. We cannot express enough the importance of the children being suitably dressed for bad weather.

ALL children will need a waterproof warm coat, waterproof boots, hat and gloves - where possible we will always endeavour to get the children outside at playtime/dinnertime. However, should your child not be suitably attired for the weather with all of the items underlined above, they WILL NOT be given the opportunity (should it arise) to go outside and enjoy the snow.

Please also be aware that school communal areas do get cold during temperature drops, so all children will need a sweatshirt or cardigan to wear whilst in school. We are expecting children to wear trousers or thick tights with skirts - no summer dresses or shorts should be worn due to the temperatures expected.

We will continue to keep our website, app and Facebook page updated, should there be any emergency announcements.

In the event of a school closure due to adverse weather, an email and text notification will be sent, so it is of paramount importance that your most up to date contact number and email address are with the office. School closures are also reported on the County Council website and local radio stations along with our own website, Facebook and App.

Important Dates:

01.02.19—Bring a bottle non-uniform day

15.02.19—Art Topic open classrooms from 2.30pm

15.02.19 3pm—School breaks for half-term

04.03.19 & 06.03.19 Y4 Parents' Evening

05.03.19 & 06.03.19 Reception to Y3 Parents' Evening

NURSERY PARENTS' EVE—Mrs Stewart will contact parents directly

25.02.19—School resumes for the children

14.03.19—PAF Film Night 3-5pm

26.03.19—Years 1 to 4 Science Visit (More details to follow)

04.04.19 9am Easter Assembly

04.04.19 3pm -School breaks for Easter

23.04.19—School resumes

06.05.19—School closed—MAY DAY

24.05.19—Chocolate donation Non Uniform day

24.05.19—School closes for half-term

03.06.19—School resumes for the children

Golden Table Winners:

09.01.19—Jake, Esme & Elliott

18.01.19—Thomas, Rowan & Layla A

Best Class Attendance:

W/E 09.01.19

Reception —99.57% attendance

W/E 18.01.19

Year 2— 99.6% attendance

Well Done everyone!

Stars of the Week:

W/E: 09.01.19

Georgia, Scarlett G, Charlie, George, Lucas & Sophie

W/E: 18.01.19

Alfie M, George, Macie, Georgia & Ryan

Governor News:

Strategic policy and Direction Committee will meet on 30.01.19 for their Spring Term Committee meeting.

On the agenda to be discussed will be school policies including:

Food and Health
Marking and Feedback
Maths
PSHE
Sustained writing
School Session times
Pupil Premium

Pizza Party Fun Lunch

We had great fun at yesterday's Pizza Party.

28 additional children stayed for school lunch which was brilliant!

We had pizza themed songs playing and a lovely fun atmosphere was enjoyed by the children.



School Meal Reminder

Should your child wish to change from School Meals to Packed Lunches (or vice versa) , one week notice is required. Please advise Mr. Wood in the school office of your intent to change and he will confirm the first available date.

This is due to meals being ordered from another kitchen and us adhering to the notice period for changes they insist on.

Reception 2019 School Applications

The online portal for Reception September 2019 applications has now closed. If you have not applied for a Reception place for your eligible aged child, please contact School Admissions, details below:

Any queries, please contact:
School Admissions
County Hall
Morpeth
NE61 2EF
01670 624889

READING AWARDS ASSEMBLY

Our next reading awards assembly will be on Friday 1st February at 9am.

On this date, it will have been 8 weeks since our last assembly which is 54 chances to read (once per day!) - so we are hoping for lots of awards to be presented!

The final date for reading counts is 24th January.
ALL READING RECORDS MUST BE IN SCHOOL TO BE COUNTED ON FRIDAY 25TH JANUARY AT 9AM.

PAF GIFT AMNESTY 21ST TO 25TH JANUARY

Please can everyone look for any unused and new gift items that could be donated to the PAF Association.

Perhaps you have a smellies set from Christmas or the children have games and toys still new and boxed that could be repurposed by our PAF ready for the Summer Fayre.

Have you an abundance of Bayliss & Harding body lotion or more Lynx gift sets than Boots?

Are they taking up space and gathering dust?!!

We will have them all—please donate into bin provided on the yard from 21.01.19 to 25.01.19

Many thanks