

1st October 2021 issue 1



MAKING LEARNING AN ADVENTURE

We aren't sure where the last 4 weeks have gone as they have flown by.

Everyone has returned to school refreshed and excited and ready to learn - it is lovely to hear the school full of life again with minimal restrictions for the children.

There is a lot to look forward to this term, so please ensure you check the website and read newsletters as they are issued.

UPCOMING EVENTS

7th OctoberSports Funday Lunch in School

8th and 9th November
Parent/Teacher Consultation
Evenings (Rec to Y4)

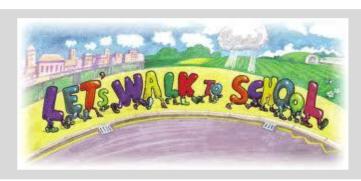
25th October

Autumn half-term holiday – School is closed this week.

Covid update:

As you will know, we have had a very small number of positive cases within school since we returned from the summer break.

There is no need for children to isolate following close contact with a positive case and instead these children will be identified and parents/carers contacted directly. If you are contacted, you will be requested to take your (close contact) child for a PCR test and advise school when the results are received. Your co-operation with this is appreciated.



Walk on Wednesdays...... Wow is a pupil-led initiative where children self-report how they get to school every day using the interactive WOW Travel Tracker. If they travel sustainably (walk, cycle or scoot) once a week for a month, they get rewarded with a badge. It's that easy!

It's simple to run and children love taking part. Each year, the collectable WOW badges are designed by pupils in an annual badge design competition. On average, WOW schools see a 30% REDUCTION IN CAR JOURNEYS taken to the school gate and a 23% INCREASE IN WALKING RATES. So, get walking, cycling, scooting or park and striding on a Wednesday!

Why not follow our school Facebook page? Teachers and staff will often share some interesting events or lessons that children have enjoyed. Just search for @holywellschool on Facebook and a page with the school logo should appear.

Middle School Applications

The Northumberland County Council portal for Middle School applications for September 2022 is now open and will close on 31st October 2021.

If you have an eligible age child and have NOT yet completed an application for middle school please do so here:

https://www.northumberland.gov.uk/Education/Schools/School-admissions-places-appeals-1.aspx



Rainy Days

As we are not able to have all of the children in the hall together just yet, we are unable to open the doors early on rainy days.

We ask that you do not bring children to school early on rainy days and attend only in time for the bell at 8.55am for Reception to Year 4 and 9.00am for Nursery.

This will help us to keep our little people as dry as possible before school starts.

From September, for every £10 spent in store in Morrisons or online, you'll get one Grow Token that our school can then redeem for a wide range of gardening and growing equipment. We would like as many people as possible to save their tokens for us!

How it works:

- 1 Morrisons customers download the MyMorrisons app
- 2 Sign in or register to MyMorrisons and choose our school
- 3 Scan the app at checkout or use online when shopping
- 4 For every £10 spent you will receive a GROW TOKEN to donate to our school.

School can then exchange the GROW TOKENS for free gardening equipment after the collection period.

We can get items like trowels, spades, wheelbarrows, watering cans and seeds. Please sign up to help school.



www.itsgoodtogrow.co.uk for more information

IMPORTANT LETTER REGARDING
PARENTS EVENING IS IN SCHOOL
BAGS TONIGHT FOR RECEPTION TO
YEAR 4 – PLEASE READ, COMPLETE
AND RETURN

LOOK OUT NEXT NEWSLETTER FOR AN IMPORTANT CHRISTMAS UPDATE!

..... ONLY 84 DAYS TO GO!



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Funday lunch 7th October 2021

There will be a special sports themed Funday lunch in school on Thursday 7th October. Children receiving a school meal on this day can win golden tickets which are exchangeable for prizes!

These days are generally great fun and the children love the excitement golden tickets create!

All parents/carers have been emailed information on this along with the menu for the day. If your child is usually packed lunch but you wish for your child to participate and receive a meal on this day, please contact Mr. Wood in the school office before Tuesday 5th October or email him

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