

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

Without realising it, we have already been back to school for over a month and half-term is almost upon us already!

It has been a chilly couple of weeks but with the new windows and heating, school has stayed very warm indeed—something we are very grateful for given our previous turbulent times due to adverse weather conditions!

We have lots of fun things coming up, especially next week so please ensure you read all of the events and dates properly to make sure nothing is missed.

Unfortunately—the usual reminders are in place also as we have had calls from neighbours about parking and also puppies on the yard.....



Dogs and puppies (even when carried in arms) 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.

THANK
YOU!

Important Weather Information

Although the weather appears to be heading to improve and get a little warmer, as you will no doubt have realised yourself in the most recent weeks, sometimes the forecasts get it entirely wrong! With this in mind, please can we ask that **ALL** children have a waterproof warm coat, waterproof boots, hat and gloves in school. 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 they WILL NOT be given the opportunity (should it arise) to go outside. Please also be aware that school communal areas can 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 when temperatures are low.

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Save the Date....

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YEAR 4 Parent/Teacher
consultation evenings.

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

14.03.19—PAF clothing
collection—start
clearing out your
wardrobes!



URGENT APPEAL

We have a shortage of spare clothes in school for emergency changes.

We are especially short of tights and trousers (for both girls and boys) for younger children (Reception to Year 2) - if you have any school clothing, please could you return it to school as soon as possible.

If you have any items of clothing which would be useful to us that you no longer require, we would gratefully accept: girls knickers, tights, trousers and socks and boys socks and trousers. Many thanks.



Important Dates:

15.02.19—Art Topic open classrooms from 2.30pm

**15.02.19 3pm—
School breaks for
half-term**

04.03.19 & 05.03.19
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

Best Class Attendance:

W/E 01.02.19
Year 4—100% attendance
W/E 08.02.19
Year 3— 98.85% attendance
Well Done everyone!



Golden Table Winners:

01.02.19—George, Logan & Georgia C
08.02.19—Holly, Lucas & Ben

Stars of the Week:

W/E: 01.02.19
NO STARS

W/E: 08.02.19
Harrison, Tilly-Mae, Elliott, Luke, Lexi

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 school being required to adhere to the notice period for changes.

ART OPEN CLASSROOMS!

The children in school have been working **EXCEPTIONALLY** hard on their Art work and would love to WOW you all!

Parents/Carers of children from Reception to Year 4 are invited to come into school on:

Friday 15th February from 2.30pm

to view the amazing art work in each classroom.

We would love to see as many of you as possible to this lovely celebration of the children's hard work and fantastic art skills.

Nursery 2019 Applications

Nursery applications for September 2019 will be going out to interested parties in early March.

If you have a child of eligible nursery age and you **HAVE NOT** registered your interest in applying for a place, please email Mrs. Reed with these details:

Child's name, Child's DOB, home address, parent/carer name and telephone number.
Many thanks.

Gymnastics Superstars

6 of our most able gymnasts took part in an inter-schools gymnastics event at Northern Gymnastics Centre, Cramlington on Thursday 7th February.

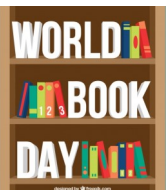
They performed exceptionally well and were (as always) a credit to the school.

Well Done Macey, Ben, Kate, Harry, Lexi & Ella

Governor News:

Resource Management Committee will meet on 13.02.19 for their Spring Term Committee meeting.
On the agenda to be discussed will be items including:

Budget and Finance
School Improvement Plan
Finance Policy
Premises and Buildings
Staffing



World Book Day 2019

EARLY WARNING

You are invited into school from 9am until 9:30 am on Thursday 7th March to share a story in school with your child.

We will carry on the celebrations into **FRIDAY 8TH MARCH** where children and staff are invited to dress as their favourite book character for the day.