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## 11<sup>th</sup> October 2019 Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

It's been another busy but productive week here at school. With just 2 more weeks until our half term holidays. Can I remind parents that school will close on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October and it will reopen on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November.

### Art Gallery

We hope to invite parents to our Art Gallery which will be held in the hall on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October. We are hoping that if everything works out that parents should be able to visit between 2.30 and 3pm but we shall have more information next week.

I hope that all of our families have a wonderful weekend.

*Bernadette*

### Clubs- Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2019

Unfortunately, we have had to cancel Choir and Fitness Club on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October due to staff training that will take place in the hall. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

### Swap Shop Shout Out!

Thank you for your generosity in helping to ensure our swap shop is well stocked. We have lots of: uniform, coats and shoes and we were hoping that you could donate packed lunch bags to help us when children go on school visits. We would also like any old swimming kit that your child may have grown out of so that if children forget their swimming kit we could help them out. If you have anything to donate, please send these items in with your child and they can be given to Rachel C. Please remember that our swap shop is open and available to parents and we would love more parents to access it as much as possible.

### Mum2Mum Sale

The next Mum2Mum sale will take place in the school hall, this Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> October between 11am and 1pm. There are lots of clothes and accessories for children on sale and lots of bargains to be had!

### Multiskills Club-Year 5 and Year 6

There will be a new club, after half term, for our Year 5 and Year 6 children on a Monday from 3-4pm. Please complete the form on the next page so that if your child is interested they can sign up.

### Harvest Festival

We will have a whole school Harvest Festival on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 8.55am before the children set off for their Fun Run or Early Years Walk. We would like donations of packets or tins so that we can make a donation to The Food Bank. All families are welcome to join us by entering through the hall doors as soon as you have dropped your children off.

### After School Care-Booking 3-5pm

We have been having additional issues with our booking system for After School Care from 3-5pm and would ask parents to either: complete a booking form that they can get from the office, contact the school office or if you are dropping off speak to Jan at the door first thing. We would still ask that parents pay via ParentPay for these sessions.

### Aldi Stickers

We are collecting the stickers for the school's competition. We are aiming to collect 600 before November and our board is filling up fast. Please help us reach our target as soon as possible so that we can be in with a chance of winning £20000! Thank you.

### Volunteers

We would be keen to recruit some volunteers to help us with toast on a Tuesday morning and to listen to readers in various classes. If you think that you could spare even an hour, please contact the school office.

### Fun Run Year 1-6

On Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October, we are going to be having a Fun Run/walk up to Consett and back to school again. However, it's a run with a twist! School Council want children to run/ walk in a 'fun' outfit. They have lots of suggestions of what children can wear: PJ/ Onesie/ Fancy dress/ wrong way round outfit/ colour mix etc... We will be having a competition for the most creative outfits that the children wear. All we ask is that they wear trainers for safety and they can actually move in their outfits!

We will be collecting sponsorship in for this event. Any donation no matter how small or big always goes a long way to provide children with wonderful trips and experiences in school. Children will set off for their Fun Run after The Harvest Festival Assembly.

### Early Years Walk

Our Nursery and Reception children will be going on their Autumn walk and setting off just after 9am (after the Harvest Festival). Parents are welcome to join their child and accompany them on the walk. Children just need to be dressed in their school uniform and be appropriately dressed for the weather so they may need a coat and their wellies.

### Hallowe'en Disco

As always, we will be having an annual disco on Tuesday 5th November for £1.00 a ticket to be paid on ParentPay. We will be having a disco in the afternoon and children can come to school dressed in their spooky clothing. We will also be selling some spooky snacks at morning break that the children will be making. Children will need no more than £3.00 to spend on these snacks.

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### Multiskills Club-Year 5 and Year 6

I would like my child to take part in the Multiskills Club that will take place each Monday (after half term) from 3-4pm.

Child's name.....

Parent's signature.....

My child has permission to walk home Yes/No (please circle)