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24th October 2019 Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy half term everyone! Our first half term has been and gone and what a fabulous half term we have had! It has been wonderful to see all of our new friends settling in to life in Early Years as well as the new children that we have welcomed from older classes too. Staff have worked hard and always go that extra mile to ensure that our children are well cared for and have the best learning experiences too and I hope that they all deserve a well-earned rest.

Carly, Jillian and William oh and I nearly forgot...Grovey Bear (Year 2's name choice) are going off on their travels to France so I hope that they manage to get a bit of rest on their travels too.

I hope that all of our families have a wonderful half term holiday.

Bernadette

Enrichment Clubs/After School Club

Our children have been discussing our After School Clubs and how sometimes there is confusion so they have decided that our usual clubs running 3 until 4pm be called Enrichment Clubs. The staff all agree as the clubs that we provide are to add to the experiences that the children learn and we are extremely lucky to have so many clubs that run for our children and that is thanks to our hardworking staff.

Our After School Club that runs from 3-5pm by Jan and Tina will continue to run each day and will continue to be known as After School Club. This costs £3 per hour and those children who stay after 4pm will be entitled to a snack.

Please remember that any child staying 3-4pm can be collected from the playground and children staying until 5pm can be collected from the main door.

We will have an additional club for Y5/6 multi skills which will run from 3-4 pm each Monday (all children should have returned a slip to say if they want to take part). After the holidays, lunch time football club will run every Wednesday instead of Thursday.

Go Bounce Breakfast!

You may have already heard...our Bounce Breakfast has been shortlisted for Best Breakfast Club in the North East! This is wonderful news and a great recognition of the hard work that goes into making Bounce Breakfast a success. Well done and thank you to Carly and Rachel C! Our Bounce Breakfast runs daily from 8am until 8.30am and is free for any child entitled to Free School Meals costs £1 for any child not entitled to Free School Meals.

Entry to Breakfast Club after the holidays

We would ask that after the holidays, parents drop all children at the green door of the pupil entrance for Bounce Breakfast and that parents do not enter school. Staff will be on hand to support our younger children and ensure they go to the hall and sign in safely. This is to help our parents 'drop and go' so that they can get on with their busy days! I will still be at the gate should any messages need to be passed on. Thank you.

Aldi Stickers

We are onto our second poster for the collection of Aldi stickers. It ends on 3rd November so please keep any stickers for after the holidays. We could be in with a chance of winning £20000! Thank you so far for your generosity.

Vaping/Smoking

Parents have made us aware of other parents vaping on school premises. We would like to remind parents that we do not permit anyone to vape or smoke on school premises. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

Events after the holidays...

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.

Poppy Appeal

After the holidays, we will have poppies and other Remembrance items that will be on sale at play time for children who would like to support the poppy appeal. Items range up to £1.50 and will be on sale at the school hall. We will have a Remembrance Assembly on Friday 8th November and parents are welcome to attend.

Book Bus

The Book Bus will be visiting school on Monday 18th November. You can visit The Book Bus with your child before or after school.

Other important dates...

Term	Start	End
<u>Autumn 1st half</u>	Tuesday 3 rd September 2019	Thursday 24 th October 2019 (school closed from Friday 25 th October 2019 until Monday 3 rd November 2019)
<u>Autumn 2nd half</u>	Monday 3 rd November 2019	Friday 20 th December 2019 (school closed Friday 29 th November 2019)
Spring 1 st half	Monday 6 th January 2020	Thursday 13 th February 2020 (school closed on Friday 14 th February 2020 until Monday 24 th February 2020)
Spring 2 nd half	Monday 24 th February 2020	Friday 3 rd April 2020
Summer 1 st half	Monday 20 th April 2020	Friday 22 nd May 2020 (school reopens Tuesday 2 nd June 2020)
Summer 2 nd half	Tuesday 2 nd June 2020	Friday 17 th July 2020