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11th November 2022 Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers

Wow! We were overwhelmed by the products made for our second Enterprise day. Well done to all of the children that took part and I hope that the children are going to spend their well- earned pennies soon. Thank you, as parents, for supporting your children to create their products and Carly for organising. Our next Enterprise Day will take place in the Spring term so encourage your child to think how they could take part!

Thank you to all of the parents and other family members who joined us for our Reception Phonics Workshop and our Remembrance Assembly too. Please see further dates for parents on the next page.

Online Safety Policy

We have updated our Online Safety Policy in line with Local Authority guidelines. This can be found on our website [here](#). It is important that parents read the policy as there is important information about responsibilities for parents and learners on Pages 9 and 10 as well as general guidance throughout the rest of the policy.

School Photos

Please remember that all photo orders must be returned to school by Thursday 17th November 2022.

Water bottles

We would ask that all children have water in their bottles to support good dental health. We would ask that water is provided with your child's packed lunch too. You can read more information <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/health-matters-child-dental-health/health-matters-child-dental-health>

This week's winners- well done to you all!

Place	Name	Class
TTRS		
1 st	Freddy R	Y5
2 nd	Leo R	Y4
3 rd	Kaden C	Y5
4 th	Rosie D	Y3
5 th	Tyler B	Y4
Numbots		
1 st	Alfie M	Y5
2 nd	Ben I	Y3
3 rd	Lincoln C	Y3
4 th	Tommy M	Y5
5 th	Leo R	Y4

Attendance w/b 7th November 2022

	Class	%
First Place	Year 4	94.7%
Second Place	Year 6	94.6%
Third Place	Year 1	94.3%
Fourth Place	Year 3	94.0%
Fifth Place	Year 2	91.8%
Sixth Place	Year 5	91.7%
Seventh Place	Reception	80.5%
Eighth Place	Nursery	85%

Well done Year 4!

Our target is 96%

Dates for the rest of the term...

Date	Event	Date	Event
W/b 14 th November	Anti-Bullying Week Parliament Week	W/b Monday 12 th December	last week for Autumn Enrichment Clubs
Tuesday 15 th November	Y5 OPAL morning (extra change of clothes needed)	Monday 12 th December	Y2 Christingle 2.30pm (all welcome)
Wednesday 16 th November	Y1 OPAL morning (extra change of clothes needed) Reception and Year 6 Height and Weight	Monday 12 th December	Parents' Evening/SEND reviews
Friday 18 th November	Richard Holden visiting school Children in Need Day (see Tapestry for more information)	Tuesday 13 th December	Reception Nativity in the hall @10am
Tuesday 22 nd November	Y3 OPAL morning (extra change of clothes needed)	Wednesday 14 th December	Nursery Stay and Play Sessions (more information will be available on Tapestry.)
Friday 25 th November	Non uniform day £1 to take part	Thursday 15 th December	Y1/2 Prickly Hay Performance @9.30am
Tuesday 29 th November	Y6 OPAL morning (extra change of clothes needed)	Friday 16 th December	Christmas Party Day for all
Wednesday 30 th November	Y1 visit to Beamish Museum	Monday 19 th December	Whole School Carol Concert 2pm (all welcome)
Thursday 1 st December	EYFS Christmas Tree trail (during the school day)	Tuesday 20 th December (No After School Club)	School closes for Christmas holidays at 3pm
Monday 5 th December	School closed for Professional Development Day	Wednesday 4 th January 2023	School re-opens for Spring term
Thursday 8 th December	Nursery Nativity in the hall @10am		

We may have some additional dates to add. Thank you for your patience!

Reception- September 2023

If your child will be turning 4 years old between 1st September 2022 and 31st August 2023, they will start Reception in September 2023. You must apply for their school place now. Children do not automatically receive a Reception school place, even if they are already attending our nursery. The deadline for applications is Sunday 15th January 2023 and you can apply at <https://www.durham.gov.uk/schooladmissions>

A late application received after 15 January 2023 greatly reduces your chances of getting into your preferred school.

If you are unable to apply online you can contact Durham County Council by email or phone and they will send you an application form.

The offer of a school place will be made on 17 April 2023.

Nursery Places

We still have Nursery places for this academic year. Please see our Nursery page for additional information <https://www.thegroveprimaryschool.co.uk/our-classes/nursery/>

Visitors in our school grounds

It seems that we have had some unwelcome visitors in our school grounds when school should be closed. These visitors have left unnecessary waste (including wrapped dog waste) and we would ask our local families to help us keep a look out. We have also reported the matter to our PCSO.