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26th January 2024 Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers

We have a few pieces of information to share with you in this week's newsletter. We have included an updated list of dates and we hope that these are useful.

NSPCC Number Day-Friday 2nd February 2024

We will be taking part in the NSPCC Number Day once again this year next Friday 2nd February.

We will be spending the day with fun focus on number along with some challenges and we invite the children to dress up as a number or something number related. It may be that they wear an outfit with numbers on it, they wear stripes or shapes, or anything related to number.

Can we ask that a small donation, for example, £1 be donated in support of the NSPCC. If you can please pay it into school fund on ParentPay we would be very grateful to help us avoid any cash coming into school. This will be instead of our normal non-uniform day at the end of the month on Friday 26th January.

Thank you for your support.

Jacqui - Maths Lead

E Safety Assembly 6th February 2024 from 1.45pm

Parents are welcome to attend our E Safety Assembly where each class will present important information around staying safe online. We will also have some special guests joining us as part of the afternoon. We will have: Paige Hart (PCSO), Helen Pearson from Consett Academy, Samantha Peacock Family Hub Co ordinator and Sharon Ullsworth from Glenroyd House and anticipate that the assembly will run to approximately 3pm.

Attendance week beginning 22nd January 2024

	Class	%
1 st Place	Year 2	94.4%
2 nd Place	Year 6	94%
3 rd Place	Year 3	93.5%
4 th Place	Year 4	93.4%
5 th Place	Year 1	93%
6 th Place	Reception	92.8%
7 th Place	Year 5	91.9%
8 th Place	Nursery	90.3%

Well done Year 2

It's your turn on the Top Table next week!

ParentPay

All parents should be able to access ParentPay to make payments for school meals, school visits and non -uniform days. If you are still having trouble, please contact the school office and we should be able to help.

Please ensure that all payments- for this month- are paid before or on Wednesday 31st January. If you are having difficulties, please contact the school office.

After School Club Payments

It has come to our attention that the payments until 4.30pm have been charged at £7 rather than £7.50. ParentPay has been updated and any child staying from 3.15pm-4.30pm will be charged £7.50 for the session from Monday 29th January 2024. It is £5.00 from 3.15pm-4.15pm- Thank you.

Dates until the end of term

We have had a couple of new dates added and hope that the information is useful.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Class</u>
31 st January 2024	Bee Garden Competition (Chartwells) closing date	Rec-Year 6
2 nd February 2024	NSPCC Number Day- non-uniform £1 to pay on ParentPay	Whole School
6 th February 2024	E Safety Assembly (see information above)	Whole school
7 th February 2024	Church visit	Year 3
7 th February 2024	Parents' Phonics Session 3.15-3.45pm	Year 1 Parents
8 th February 2024	Parents' Phonics Session 8.00-8.30am	Year 1 Parents
13 th February 2024	Visit to Harehope Quarry (more information to follow)	Year 3
13 th February 2024	Kensuke's Kingdom Day (more information to follow)	Year 5
13 th February 2024	Parents' SATs session 3.15-3.45pm	Year 6 Parents
13 th February 2024	Parents' SATs session 4.30-5.00pm	Year 6 Parents
14 th February 2024	Parents' SATs session 8.00-8.30am	Year 6 Parents
16 th February 2024	School closed for staff training (PD Day)	Whole School
26 th February 2024	School reopens after half term	Whole School
27 th February 2024	Enterprise Day (more information on Tapestry)	Whole School
28 th February 2024	Timestable Workshop for Parents 2.30pm	Year 2
w/b 4 th March 2024	Art Week	Whole School
7 th March 2024	World Book Day (more information to follow)	Whole School
8 th March 2024	Art Gallery Parents Welcome from 2.15pm	Whole School
11 th March 2024	Special Person Afternoon 2.15-3.15pm (more information on Tapestry)	Reception Parents
12 th March 2024	Speak Out, Stay Safe Workshops	Year 2, 5 and 6
14 th March 2024	Visit to Christ Church and Consett Library	Reception
18 th March 2024	Visit to Derwent Reservoir (more information to follow)	Year 3
20 th March 2024	Stay and Play Session (morning children) 8.30-9.30am Stay and Play Session (30 hours children) 2.00-3.00pm	Nursery Parents
21 st March 2024	Visit to the supermarket	Reception
22 nd March 2024	Non-uniform day £1 to pay on ParentPay	Whole School
w/b 25 th March 2024	SEND plans to be reviewed with parents (appointment based)	Whole School
26 th March 2024	Whole School Easter Assembly- Parents welcome 2.15pm	Whole School
28 th March 2024	School closes for Easter holidays	Whole School
15 th April 2024	School reopens for the summer term	Whole School

Swap Shop

Our Swap Shop has many nearly new items and we would hope as the year progresses that families would request nearly new items of uniform. We have many winter coats, hats and scarves should your children require new ones in the cold winter months. If you would like to make a request, please speak to a member of staff.

Phone Contacts

If parents/carers change their phone number or address, you must inform the school office as soon as possible. We must have contact details in the event of an accident or illness.

Free School Meals

Have your circumstances changed? Do you think that your child/ren qualify for Free School Meals after checking <https://www.durham.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals> Please contact the school office and we can check for you.

P.E. Kits

Please ensure that your child has a P.E. kit in school. Children must wear a change of clothing for P.E. and training shoes if permitted for the activity. Our school P.E. kit consists of team coloured t shirt with embroidered school logo (children are permitted to wear a plain team coloured t shirt and black shorts). Thank you!