



# OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Another very busy half term has come to an end. It has been jam packed with learning, having fun, visitors, and last but not least Halloween!

## **AUTHOR VISIT**

The children in Early Years, Year 1 and 2 had a visit from local author Naomi Barley. She shared her book 'The Zig Zags'. The children enjoyed hearing where her ideas came from and her vision for the illustrations. They enjoyed doing some craft activities and coming up with their own ideas for new aliens.



## **CAREERS WEEK**

Thank you to all of the parents who came into school to talk about their jobs. We welcomed a midwife, an equine vet, a civil engineer, a hospitality development manager and an apache helicopter pilot. It has been a wonderful experience for the children.



## **POLICE VISIT**

We welcomed PCSO Johnson into school to talk to the children about road and seatbelt safety. They all had the opportunity to look around the police vehicle and the equipment they carry with them.





## FIRE SAFETY

The fire service came into school to talk to the children about firework safety ahead of Bonfire Night. They shared some important messages with the children and they had fun looking around the fire engine and squirting the water hoses!



## FONT ALLIANCE



Our recent author visitor Naomi Barley was organised through our links with the Font alliance.

Further information about future activities will be sent out as soon as we can confirm dates.

## PARENTS EVENING

It was lovely to have our face to face parents' evening recently, to tell everyone how well their children are settling into their new classes. If you were unable to make it and would like a phone call instead, please call the office to arrange a telephone appointment.

## CLUBS

Our clubs have been quite popular this half term. The following clubs will continue after the half term holiday

Kids with Bricks Club (Lego) Monday 3.15 - 4.15pm

Communication club Tuesday 3.15 - 4.00. Please book directly with Mrs Pringle.

Trident Soccer Wednesday 3.15 - 4.15pm

## A message from the PTA

Hi!

*We'd like to start by saying "Thank you."*

*Thank you for bearing with us while we regathered as a new team this term. We appreciate we've been quiet so far, but we have been working away in the background.*

*We had a really successful drop in coffee morning, and we secured lots of new volunteers to help us going forward.*

*We hope you've had lots of fun getting into the Halloween spirit on the last day of term.*

*We have some exciting activities coming up from now until the end of the school year. Events and dates tbc*

*Our aim is to help the school raise funds by doing things like, school disco, sponsored walks, dare 2B different and lots more.*

Leanne

## WRAP AROUND

Our wraparound service continues to be popular. Should you wish to book a session for your child, this can be done via the MCAS app or by texting the wraparound number on **07776 945623**.

**WINTER WEATHER:** As the weather is beginning to get colder, could you please ensure that your child has a warm waterproof coat. We will still have outdoor play times in the rain.

**WINTER WEATHER SCHOOL CLOSURES:** If the weather is particularly bad and we need to close the school, we will inform you via parentmail at the earliest possible opportunity. School closures will also be updated daily on the Northumberland County Council website.

## TIMETABLE FOR NEXT HALF TERM

Tuesday	N/R Forest School (Please bring wellies)
Wednesday	Y1/2 Forest School (Please bring wellies) Y3/4 - Swimming (starts 12th November)
Thursday	N/R PE

Friday	Y1/2 - PE
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## DATES FOR THE DIARY

3.11.25	Remembrance Day Workshops	Year 1 - 4
4.11.25	RNLI Workshops	Whole School
w/b 10.11.25	Antibullying Week	Whole School
11.11.25 - morning	Healthy Lifestyles Workshop	Y3 and 4
14.11.25 - afternoon	Pantomime Thank you to the PTA for funding this for us.	Whole School
w/b 17.11.25	Bookfair Guest Readers will be invited to volunteer	Whole School
18.11.25	Flu Immunisations	For those who have consented
21.11.25 8.15am	Big Charity Breakfast for the RNLI	Whole School
26.11.25 @ 3.45pm	Parent Online Safety Workshop This will be run by the IT team from the local authority	Whole School
27.11.25	Coffee and Questions Diversity Project	Whole School
8.12.25	Carol Singing at Rothbury House	Y3/4
9.12.25	Hanukkah Festival Day	Whole School
15.12.25 @ 9am	Nursery Christmas Singalong	Nursery
16.12.25	Class Parties	Whole School
17.12.25	Christmas Lunch	Whole School
18.12.25	Christmas Concert 9.30am and 2pm	YR - Y4
19.12.25	Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Holidays Start	Whole School

Thank you for your continued support. We would both like to wish you a happy half term break and look forward to seeing you on Monday 3rd November

Mrs C Auld and Mrs H Duffield

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