



November Newsletter

YEAR 2 PARENTS/CARERS

Please join us for a meeting on Tuesday 29th November at 5pm for a “Preparation for year 2 formal assessment” session. We would like to introduce you to the DfE assessments and expectations, and answer any questions that you may have. We kindly request that children are not brought to this meeting.

MILE A DAY: To help the children build fitness, keep active and improve concentration we are running or jogging for 10 minutes a day around the playground as part of the mile a day initiative.

CHILDREN IN NEED: To celebrate Children in Need this year, the children are invited to come to school wearing something spotty on Friday 18th November. Please bring in a £1 contribution for Children in Need.

ART PROJECT: You may have seen in the Gazette that we have been very generously awarded £600 from the Simonside Country Fair and Hay show. We will be using the money for a dining hall art project next year.



FANTASTIC FRIDAYS: Mrs Brown, our cook, has asked to remind all parents of children who bring a packed lunch, that they are welcome to purchase a school meal each Friday as part of our Fantastic Friday initiative.

FOREST SCHOOL: A reminder to all children taking part in Forest School sessions – please make sure that your child wears long trousers and a long-sleeved top on Forest School days, and that they have a pair of **wellies** in school. We provide waterproof coats but at least one extra warm layer, fleece or hoody, would be advisable. Also hats and gloves as we go out in all weather. Year 1 and 2 Forest School is on Wednesday afternoons up to Christmas.

STORAGE REQUEST: We are still on the lookout for some garden storage. If anyone has an old plastic garden bunker or similar that they would be willing to donate to school – please see Mrs Scott. Thank you.

READERS IN SCHOOL: Thank you to everyone who volunteered to hear readers in school and thank you to those Reception parents who attended the “Helping your child to read” session. If you are able to come in once a week to hear children read and would be interested in joining this initiative, please let Mrs Mathewson know.

SCHOOL GATES: Just a polite reminder to all, please close school gates after you to ensure the safety of all children.



DATES FOR THIS HALF TERM

Mon 7 Nov	all	Tae Kwon Do – last session will be Monday 5 Dec 2016
Tue 8 Nov	YR parents	“Helping your child to read” session at 5pm
Wed 9 Nov	new Nursery parents	Nursery Open Afternoon
Thur 10 Nov	Some Y3 & Y4	Digital Leaders Visit – Malvin’s Close Primary, Blyth
Mon 14 Nov	all	Bag 2 School collection
Wed 16 Nov	Y1 Parents	Parents joining Forest School session
Fri 18 Nov	all	Children in Need Day
Tue 22 Nov	all	Rev Ed Assembly
Tue 22 Nov	Y1, 2 and 3	Nasal Flu Spray (letter re: opt in or out to follow)
Tue 29 Nov	Y2	“Preparation for Year 2 formal assessments” session at 5pm
Thur 1 Dec		Last Violin lesson
Fri 2 Dec	all	FRFS Disco at the Jubilee Hall (after school)
Wed 7 Dec	YR/1/2/3/4	Two Christmas Performances: (1) afternoon; (2) early evening
Mon 12 Dec	all	Childrens Christmas parties (to be confirmed)
Tue 13 Dec	all	Childrens Christmas Lunch (to be confirmed)
Thur 15 Dec	all	Coffee, Carols and Raffle 1:45pm (to be confirmed)
Fri 16 Dec	all	Christmas Jumper Day School closes at 3.15pm for the Christmas holiday
Tue 3 Jan	all	School Opens

Term dates for 2016-2017 are available on the Northumberland County Council website:
<http://www.northumberland.gov.uk/default.aspx?page=438>

**Please note that school will be closed for Teacher Training on the following dates:
Friday 23 June 2017**