

Thought of the Week: "A comfort zone is a beautiful place but nothing ever grows there." – Anon

## celebrating success

### Star of the Week

Star of the Week Certificates were given to the following children: Harrison Barker, Alex Fenwick, Jade Hogg, Chloe Brown, Jason Ince, Leon Mudd and Ebony Jobson. These children all had Star Tea with Mr Sutherland due to their exemplary attitude.

### Ice-Cream Friday

The following children all had ice cream sundaes at last week at Ice-Cream Friday: Millie Loy, Lincoln Clark, Rhys Crocker, Emma Archer, Aleisha Alexander and Summer Hann. These children were rewarded for their exemplary behaviour.

### Attendance

Sycamore class had the highest attendance last week with 99%. Whole school attendance was 97%. Please don't forget to ring 01670 822326 if your child is going to be late or unable to attend.

### Mathletics

Sycamore class once again had the highest points the week before half term with 15,446 points. Thomas Kerry again had the highest individual score last week with 4,190 points. Well done everyone!!

### Head Teacher Awards

The following children were all given a Head Teacher Award Certificate for their outstanding work last week: Charlie Buckle, Hollie McMurdo, Aiden Falloon, Makenzie Armstrong, Jason Ince, Kristan Watts and John George Branley. Well done to all of you and keep up the good work!

## important information

### E-Safety - Update

At Bedlington Station Primary School we take E-Safety very seriously. Just like supporting our pupils to identify and deal with everyday real life risks, we believe they should be prepared to tackle the risks of online life in a world of quickly evolving cyber technologies. There is an element of E-Safety running through all lessons associated with the internet in school. Children are reminded of the rules of E-safety regularly, particularly at times they are accessing the internet. In addition, they are taught about E-Safety in one discrete and stand-alone lesson once per half term. We plan and deliver a whole school E-safety week once per year. Every year group takes part at an age appropriate level. We use videos and resources from CEOP and other agencies as a stimulus to promote discussions and debate. At all times pupils are reassured and reminded about the actions they should take if they encounter and E-safety risks in their own lives. E-safety forms part of the ongoing safeguarding work in school. All Staff have regular meetings and appropriate training to ensure that the risks of E-safety are demonstrated to pupils in an honest and clear way, while ensuring pupils feel supported.

E-safety is not just a school concern, it pervades all areas of a child's life. In school, E-safety is monitored closely and we hope that through the websites above, and our E-safety updates on our Facebook page, that parents become more aware of the need to monitor children's use of cyber technologies and give them the knowledge and tools to do so.

In school, all adults who use a computer are asked to sign an acceptable use policy in order to access the internet. Without this agreement in place adults are restricted in their use of computers in school. All computers in school have PCE software installed which monitors how the computers in school are used, including sites that are visited and words that are typed (this includes in any software on the computer). Regular summaries are emailed to school and are monitored by the Senior Leadership Team. Our broadband internet is provided through Northumberland County Council. The filters that are used to screen internet content are very reliable and there are clear procedures in place to report any unacceptable content. Everyone in school, both adults and children, have individual usernames and passwords that must be used in order to access computers and the internet.

### **Children In Need**

Next Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November is Children in Need and the theme this year is Spotacular (dress 'spotty') for a minimum donation of £1.00. We will be selling Chocolate crispy cakes at 20p each from Monday to Thursday.

### **Poppies & Remembrance**

Poppies, friendship bracelets, rulers and wristbands have been on sale and available to children over the past few weeks. The school will observe a minute's silence during our Friday whole-school assembly on Armistice Day, to commemorate the contribution of British and Commonwealth military and civilian servicemen and women in the two World Wars and later conflicts.

### **Bikeability - Years 5 and 6 children**

For those children involved in Bikeability week next week (Monday and Tuesday) we ask that they come to school dressed in appropriate clothing ready to take part (trainers, jogging trousers, t shirt, hoody/jumper and coat). Whenever your child is taking part in their cycling training, they will need to leave their bike in the cordoned off area on the left hand side as you come through the school gates.

### **School Photographer**

Please can you return your school order pack before Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November, we cannot receive any orders after this date. Thank you.

### **BE BRIGHT AND BE SEEN THIS WINTER**

Be bright and be seen this winter,  
If you are out and about in the dark, wear something reflective.  
Attach it to your coat or bag so that you can be bright and be seen.

### **ONLINE ADMISSIONS – RECEPTION SEPTEMBER 2017**

**Entry to Reception class in a First/Primary or Academy school is open from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2016 until 15<sup>th</sup> January 2017.**

You can access the Admissions Handbook at [admissions.northumberland.gov.uk](http://admissions.northumberland.gov.uk) There you will find advice on admission and details of First or Primary schools and Academies in Northumberland. You should read this advice together with the admission arrangements for the schools you are interested in.