

Thought of the Week: "There is nothing either good or bad but thinking makes it so." – Hamlet (William Shakespeare)

celebrating success

Star of the Week

Star of the Week Certificates were given to the following children: Lainey Cowell, Hollie McMurdo, Jack Simpson, Shay Foster, Justin Cook, Olivia Bailey and Chennai Burns. These children all had Star Tea with Mr Sutherland due to their exemplary attitude.

Head Teacher Awards

The following children were all given a Head Teacher Award Certificate for their outstanding work last week: Tobias McKendrick, Lewis Botterill, Aiden Falloon, Lennon Gibson, Georgia Fullen, Charli-Sioux McLeod and Keigan Jackson. Well done to all of you and keep up the good work!

Attendance

Oak 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.

Ice-Cream Friday

The following children all had ice cream sundaes at Ice-Cream Friday last week: Charlie Buckle, Faryn Robson, Kasey Humble, Abbey Scott, Jailei Saint, Thomas Kerry and Bethany Barrett. These children were rewarded for their exemplary behaviour.

Mathletics

Oak class had the highest points again last week with 13,955 points. Justin Cook had the highest individual score last week with 4,170 points. Well done everyone!!

important information

Year 6 Residential to London

Oak Class will be leaving for London from Newcastle Central Train Station **early on Monday morning, 17th October**. They will be away until Wednesday 19th October and I know that they are going to have the most wonderfully exciting time. They will learn from, experience and immerse themselves in one of the biggest and busiest cities in the world and I can't wait to talk to them on their return about all their adventures. I am delighted that we are still able to offer this residential visit for our children and would like to add my personal thanks to the staff who are accompanying them, spending time away from their own families in the process. As parents and carers, please make sure that you are clear regarding all the timings and travel details. If you have any questions at all or would like clarification on anything, please contact the school office as soon as possible where either they, or Mr Layton the Group Leader, will be happy to get back to you. Have a fabulous time Year 6!

Year 3 Trip to The Hancock Museum

On Tuesday, Chestnut Class visited the Great North Hancock Museum in Newcastle to enhance their knowledge of the Stone Age as it is one of their curriculum topics this year. They spent the morning at the museum, listened carefully and asked lots of really good questions. Their behaviour was exemplary and they represented our school perfectly whilst they were out. Miss Curry was very proud of all of them, as am I.

Entry to Breakfast Club – An Important Reminder to Parents and Carers

Please can I remind all parents and carers that, unless children have your written permission to walk to and from school on their own, (which is only applicable for our Year 5 and Year 6 children), you are required to bring your children to the Breakfast Club doors yourselves so that our school staff can take them from you and register them as present. I am aware that some of our younger children are being dropped off at the gate and then making their own way to the Breakfast Club doors on their own. The school yard is not supervised by staff until 08:45 and, particularly now that the mornings are considerably darker, it is vital that you escort your child to the Breakfast Club door where our staff will be there to greet you. I am sure you will understand our need to ensure that our children arrive safely at school each morning and, as such, I thank you all in advance for your support with this.

Harvest Festival

We held our Harvest Festival in school yesterday and we would like to say thank you for all your contributions. Some of the goods went to nominees that the children requested and all the remaining goods went to the Matthew Project which is a local charity held in Bedlington.

Colder Weather

As the weather is becoming colder and slightly more unpredictable can I please ask that parents and carers ensure that their children come to school with appropriate, suitable clothing? Our aim is to always get the children some time outside either at break or lunchtime, unless the weather is particularly unsuitable of course. I have noticed quite a few children coming to school without a coat and if the weather turns chilly or there are spots of rain through the morning they have nothing to put on at playtime. As always, it really helps if your child's clothing is clearly labelled with their name as items can go missing from time to time as I'm sure you understand. Thank you.

Dates for your Diary

Mon 17th Oct/Wed 19th Oct : Y6 London Visit
Friday 21st October : Autumn half term begins –NB School closes at the usual time of 3.00pm
Monday 31st October: School reopens 8.45am
Breakfast club begins 8.00am
We will have poppies etc on sale for the Royal British Legion
Wednesday 2nd November: School Photographer - Please see accompanying letter

Poppies – Remembrance Sunday

We will be selling Poppies from Monday 31st October for a minimum donation of 50p. This year we will once again be selling other items too such as: friendship bracelets and rulers £1 each and wristbands, reflectors and small boxes of coloured pencils all for 50p each. All proceeds will go towards The Royal British Legion.

Uniform

Please note we still have some uniform that has not been paid for and collected yet. These items will be held until half term and then they will be returned to stock. Thank you.

ONLINE ADMISSIONS – HIGH AND SECONDARY

12 September 2016: E-admission portal open and Information, Handbooks and application forms available at: admissions.northumberland.gov.uk

Paper forms are available on request from:

School Admissions Team, Wellbeing and Community Health Services Group, Northumberland County Council, County Hall, Morpeth, Northumberland, NE61 2EF

31 October 2016: Closing date for Applications: E-Admission portal closes. Applications received after this date are considered late.

1 March 2017: Parents notified of the outcome of their applications for school places

16 March 2017: Last date for offers to be accepted by parents.