

# The Stationvoice



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Thought of the Week: "The greatest thing you'll ever learn is just to love and be loved in return." – David Bowie

## celebrating success

### Attendance

Studio 5 had the highest attendance last week with 99% and whole school was 96%. Well done Studio 5 but the whole of Station Studios is down 2% but is still above our target. Please don't forget to ring 822326 if your child is going to be late or unable to attend school. Thank you.

### Mathletics KS2

Studio 6 had the highest score last week with 29,773 points and Katie Kerry had the highest individual score with 11,444. Well done Everyone!!

## important information

### Urgent Reminder - Dropping off and Picking up children at the school gates

May I respectfully ask all parents and carers again to please take care of themselves and others when dropping off and collecting their children by car. I am still getting reports of cars being dangerously parked on pavements and on double-yellow lines whilst children are being dropped off and collected at the beginning and end of the school day. I have seen children leaving cars and running across the road to school as well as car doors being left open with pedestrians and traffic trying to navigate around them at what is a very busy time of day. I am sure everyone will agree that the last thing we want to be faced with is a tragic accident. We want all our families to be able to arrive at and leave school safely, whether they are arriving by car, bike or on foot. Please can I ask again to ensure that you park responsibly to ensure that your child and other children can feel safe when coming to school. For your information, there is a small car park which is free to park by the local shops only a minute's walk from our school, which may be a help to some parents. I would really appreciate your cooperation with this and thank you again for your support.

### Portal Design – Station Studios

May I thank everyone who has helped to get our latest project off the ground so wonderfully this week. Myself and some of the staff stayed late last Friday evening and came in on Saturday to transform the school into a place of work – Station Studios. The children look fabulous around school in their coloured T-shirts and have settled in to their new project really well.

Just to clarify that my aim with the T-shirts was to attempt a compromise to help parents who would rather not have 5 weeks with their child in school but not in uniform, and those parents who would rather not have their child in uniform for the project so that they can fully embrace the idea of coming to "work". School has provided 1 x T-shirt per child free of charge to parents. Please be assured that we are happy for your child to put the T-Shirt over another shirt or even their uniform if you are worried about them feeling cold. In addition, if you have another T-shirt at home of the same colour feel free to send your child to school in that, if it helps with washing and drying. If you would like to purchase additional shirts we can supply them at a reduced price of £1.50 per shirt. Just fill out the slip below and return to school with the right money by Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January and we will place another order and get the shirts to you as soon as possible.

Can I thank parents and carers very much for their valuable support and for their understanding in the first few days.

### Roald Dahl Assembly – The BFG

We were delighted to put on a special assembly for Key Stage 1 and 2 children yesterday in our school hall. We had a guest actor visiting our school and performing a one-man show and the children really enjoyed the experience. We will use aspects of the story as prompts for future work in our classrooms and around the school.

## **Special School Meal Theme Day – Thursday January 21<sup>st</sup> 2016. Will You Find the Golden Ticket?**

We are having a special menu next Thursday. Lunch will be Crispy Chicken Nuggets and Chips with a homemade Chocolate Chip Cookie in a special, colourful presentation box. A special juice drink will also be provided and we will have a selection of some of the children's favourite tunes playing throughout lunch. What's more, there will be 3 x Golden Tickets hidden in three of the boxes for a £5.00 Gift Voucher! Who will find the Golden Tickets? We will, of course, offer our usual alternatives of a wrap or jacket potato if any children would prefer this option and salad will still be available also. All this for £2.00 per child which I believe represents real value for money. Come and give our dinners a try if you haven't already. There is now a wonderful menu to choose from. Don't forget – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2016! Put it in your diary now!

## **Year 6 SAT's Meeting**

Thank you to all Y6 Parents and Carers who were able to attend our SAT's Briefing last Wednesday after school. It was really well attended and we hope that we were able to answer any questions you may have had and clarify any forthcoming arrangements. Please don't hesitate to contact Miss Tuart or myself if you have any further questions.

## **Dinner Money**

Please can we remind you to pay for your child's school meals on a Monday, it would be really helpful if it is in an envelope, purse or wallet with your child's name, class and the amount written on it. Many thanks.

## **Free School Meals**

If your circumstances have changed and you know that your child may be entitled to free school meals, they are not automatically available, as an application needs to be completed and returned to school or the free school meal office at County Hall. An application cannot be made retrospectively as the process is a set criteria and there is no appeal process.

You can apply either by:

- Free school meal online or via the school office
- Telephone: 01670 623 592

Paper copies can be sent on completion to: FSM Office  
Northumberland County Council  
County Hall  
Morpeth  
NE61 2EF

Benefit details can be checked on receipt. However, if confirmation cannot be found, you will be contacted to provide proof of benefit.

## **Station Studio**

Don't forget to order your t-shirts below if you require any additional ones. Thank you.

## **Station Studios - T-shirt Order**

I would like to order \_\_\_\_\_ t-shirt(s) I enclose payment of £1.50 per t-shirt.

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Studio(Class) \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Parent/Carer \_\_\_\_\_