

"I don't feel very much like Pooh today," said Pooh. "There, there," said Piglet. "I'll bring you tea and honey until you do."

celebrating success

Attendance

Maple class had the highest attendance last week with 100%. Whole school was 97%. Please don't forget to ring 01670 822326 if your child is going to be late or unable to attend school. Thank you.

Star of the Week

Star of the Week Certificates were all given to the following children: Tyler McMurdo, Caitlyn Charlton, Millie Barker, Oscar Dixon, Nikita Linney, Charli- Soux McLeod and Max Routledge. 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: Daniel Lang, Ruby Richardson, Kalisha Cunningham, Sean Jackson, Toni-Lea Huspith, Josie Blackwood and Ebony Jobson. Well done to all of you and keep up the good work!

Ice Cream Friday

The following children all had ice cream sundaes at Ice-cream Friday last week: Leon Price, James Edelson, Finn Besford, Shay Foster, Emma Archer, Kelsie Wakenshaw and Katie Challoner. These children were rewarded because of their tremendous behaviour.

Mathletics

Sycamore class had the highest score with 9,517 points. Carla Rowlands had the highest score last week with 2,579 points. Well done everyone.

important information

Parents Evening and Feedback Forms

A huge thank you to those parents, grandparents and carers who were able to join us for Parents' Evenings on Monday and Tuesday of this week. I hope that you found it helpful to catch up with your child's class teacher on how your child is progressing this year and that you had a chance to look through some of their wonderful work in their books. Many of those who attended kindly completed one of our Parent Feedback Forms which is very much appreciated. This time, we received the largest number of responses we have ever had. At the time of writing I have counted 52 responses! All are overwhelmingly positive and a couple have made constructive suggestions about how we might improve our school even further. Thank you for taking the trouble to fill them in. I have read them all personally and will be discussing any issues with the Senior Leadership Team (SLT) here in school. Either myself or a member of the SLT will respond personally to any queries you may have noted. I am delighted that the feedback has all been extremely positive about our school and the teaching and learning that takes place here and any comments that have been made have been very helpful and constructive as we aim to improve wherever we can. As you know, I had planned to have an area of school set aside with some laptops to support any parents with Learning Ladders at Home, either with logging on or accessing their child's Ladders. Unfortunately, on Monday the whole of Northumberland school system lost its internet and Wi-Fi for the day and we were unable to provide this service. Please rest assured that we are happy to help where we can and if you would like some individual support in accessing the system then please don't hesitate to contact Miss Tuart or myself.

Be Safe Initiative

I have arranged for a visiting professional to work initially with some of our older children for an hour in school over the coming weeks. The focus will be on Anti-Bullying Awareness and has been developed to educate young people on how to recognise various forms of bullying and how best to deal with it, should it occur. You will know that school already has measures in place to tackle this such as our Behaviour Management programme, Rainbow Station, Bubble Time and the work Mrs Johnston and Mrs Rozgowska carry out with children and families. These workshops are an additional tool to support children in making the right choices around friendships, exploring what bullying means and what it looks like and informing them how to stand up to it and deal with any situation that may arise.

The gentleman delivering the courses has worked with many schools in the area including Stead Lane and comes highly recommended. As his diary is already quite full I have booked up three sessions for the following Year Groups:

Friday 24th March – Year 5 – 1.10 – 2.10pm

Monday 3rd April – Year 4 – 1.10 – 2.10pm

Monday 15th May – Year 6 – 1.10 – 2.10pm

The lessons are differentiated slightly in content depending on the age to ensure they are appropriate. I think they will be very valuable for the children as they enhance and augment our PSHE and reinforce some of the messages that we have been giving to the children through this academic year. My aim is then to tailor some of these workshops for some of our younger children so that they are able to hear a similar, age-appropriate message.

We have also designed some brand new posters and flyers which will be distributed around school to help support children should they face friendship issues in the future. If you have any questions about this provision, please don't hesitate to contact me. Thank you.

Easter Egg Competition

We will be holding an Easter Egg competition and all entries must be in school by 3.00pm on Wednesday 5th April. There will be prizes for the best designed or decorated egg. There will be two categories, best child entry per class and adult entry.

We will have a Coffee Morning on Thursday 6th April for you to view the Easter Egg entries. We will also have a few raffle prizes. This will be held in the school hall via the fire exit hall door at 9.00am. So please come along and see all the wonderful exhibits.

Bedlington Station Primary School PTA-Easter Disco

Our Easter Disco to be held in the school hall on Thursday 6th April. We will be holding two sessions: 3.15-4pm for children in Acorn, Willow, Beech and Maple class and 4.15-5pm for children in Chestnut, Sycamore, Rowan and Oak class.

Tickets are £1.00 per child and this is to be paid at the fire exit door on entry. All children from Acorn to Sycamore class must be dropped off and collected by an adult at the beginning and end of their disco. Children from Rowan and Oak class are allowed to come to their disco themselves with parental permission. A selection of refreshments and sweets will be on sale.

Red Nose day- Friday 24th March

We will be participating in the fundraising efforts for Comic Relief on Friday 24th March. We ask all children to wear something red to school that day, whether it be a t-shirt, jeans or shoes. Children in Oak class will be visiting each class selling Red Noses for £1.00 on Wednesday 22nd March.

End of Spring Term Reminder

Just for you to note in your diaries that the **last day of Spring Term before we break up for Easter is Friday, April 7th 2017. Please be aware that we will be finishing school at 2:00pm on that day.** School will reopen again on Monday 24th April at 08:00am for Breakfast Club, with the Main School doors open promptly at 08:45.

Bedlington Station PTA- Spiritual Night

Our PTA are hosting a 'Spiritual Night' at Bedlington Station Social Club on Monday 10th April, 7pm-11pm. Tickets are £5.00 each and will be on sale in the school office from Thursday 30th March. Money raised from this event will go into buying learning resources for school. Please note this event is for adults over the age of 18.

Socks for Nursery- We kindly ask if any donations could be made of small size socks suitable for nursery please be passed onto Mrs Walker or the school office. Thank you