

"Thought of the Week: "Do what you can, where you are, with what you have." ~Teddy Roosevelt

## celebrating success

### Star of the Week

Star of the Week Certificates were all given to the following children: Willow Reay, Chris Agnew, Jailei Saint, Sydney Morgan, Andrew Dodds, Jake Irvine and Kaylee Davis. These children were all rewarded because of their good attitude and their tremendous effort last week and had Star Tea with Mr Sutherland.

### Ice-Cream Friday

The following children all had ice cream sundaes at Ice-cream Friday last week: Ethan Jackson, Hayden Clark, Carla Rowlands, Shannon Agnew, Jack Stafford, Brandon Flannagan and Reegan Parker-Clark. These children were rewarded because of their good attitude and their tremendous effort last week.

### Attendance

Rowan class had the highest attendance last week with 100%. Whole school attendance was 98% this is above our target. Well done everyone this is brilliant!! Please don't forget to ring 01670 822326 if your child is unable to attend school. Thank you.

### Head Teacher Awards

The following children were all given a Head Teacher Award Certificate for their outstanding work last week: Mia Armstrong, Halle Robson, Conner Dodds, Eva Halliday, Ellie Gee, Connor Gibbon and Demmi Havenhand. Well done to all of you and keep up the good work!

### Manners the Monkey

Manners the Monkey is in our school to help develop good manners in all our children. Staff chose two children who showed wonderful manners in and around school last week. They were able to choose a special prize to take home and the children were Ellen Adey-Phillips and Shane Mills-Auld.

### Pudding of the Week

The pudding of the week was chosen by Rowan class and the children are very excited about their creation. It is called 'Volcanic Cake'. It will be served on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July.

## important information

### Year 6 SATS Results

Our end of Key Stage 2 results were published on Tuesday morning and to say I am absolutely delighted with the results would be an understatement! I have previously mentioned in our newsletters how well the children were doing and how prepared they were to sit their SATS in May, which can be a potentially stressful time. Well, they absolutely blew my socks off! The children were all told their results individually yesterday and parents will get written confirmation in due course as soon as the results have been ratified. These results will also be published on our website later in the year. I am so proud of each and every one of our Year 6 pupils. They have worked so hard this year and these results are no less than they deserve. This would not have been possible of course without the dedication and effort of the whole staff team here at Bedlington Station and, whilst it is always difficult to single one individual out, I feel I must mention the contribution, drive and dedication of the Year 6 teacher Miss Tuart in achieving not only wonderful results but ensuring that the children have had a balanced and dynamic experience in their last year with us. Our sadness in their leaving is counteracted somewhat with us knowing that they are ready for High School. Well done Year 6.

Our Year 6 results complete a fantastic year for our pupils at Bedlington Station. They have performed really well at every Government measure – Early Years, Phonics Screening in Years 1 and 2 and Year 2 SATS. Again, all these results will be published on our website for your information as soon as possible. It is important to note, however, that my focus is that of accelerated pupil progress for all children across the school and that drive will continue into academic year 2015-16. My thanks to all the staff here who have worked so hard to give your children the opportunity to shine.

## School Uniform

I am very keen that children should wear full school uniform every day whilst they are on our premises. I believe that to wear a uniform helps to foster pride in one's appearance and a real sense of belonging to an organisation and community. When I look around our school, both in the yard and when we have whole school assemblies, it is wonderful to see that most children are in uniform but from September, I would really like to have everyone wearing it, every single day. My belief is that a uniform should be helpful to parents and carers so that they don't have to try and clothe their child in a different outfit every day, it should be not be overly fussy or difficult to obtain and should also be good value for money and durable.

### **Just as a reminder, our standard uniform is as follows:**

Purple sweatshirt or cardigan, white polo shirt, grey or black trousers or skirt, pinafore etc.

### **PE Kit**

T-shirt, shorts, sandshoes or trainers in a named bag. Y5/Y6 - PE kit every week plus bathing costume and towel every Thursday from 17th September

### **Footwear**

Shoes should preferably be black or of a neutral colour and appropriate for wearing around school so that the children can move around safely and with some protection from everyday bumps and knocks that are part of school life. I occasionally see sandals, shoes with straps and open toed shoes around school which I do not believe are appropriate or safe for the children to wear during the day. I will be purchasing several pairs of sand shoes/plimsolls during the summer and if it is felt that a child is wearing footwear that is not safe for walking around school, we will make a pair of plimsolls available for them to wear during the day and return their shoes to you at the end of the day.

### **Jewellery**

Just a reminder also that jewellery should not be worn at Bedlington Station Primary School. This includes any earrings or studs which are a potential hazard at playtimes or during PE and they should be removed before entering school premises. Watches are permitted and to be encouraged, particularly in Key Stage 2, as a way to become familiar with time.

I realise that the subject of uniform can be an emotive one, provoking strong feelings occasionally. Can I please ask that you speak to me if you have any worries or concerns about uniform? It may be that you have difficulty getting your child to wear uniform in an already busy morning, even though it is what you want? Or it may be that the cost of a new uniform is prohibitive? Whatever the issue I am sure it can be resolved so please let me know and let's try to get everyone in school uniform by September 2015. Thank you!

### **Summer Fayre**

Thank you to everyone who is coming along to support our Summer Fayre after school today. We hope you enjoy the occasion and I apologise that we have not been able to use as much of the yard as we normally would due to the works that are currently going on. We hope you have a lovely time and will let you know how much we raised in total next week.

### **Year 6 Leaver's Assembly**

To all Year 6 Parents/Carers, please be at the main entrance on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July at 1.40pm ready for the performance to begin promptly at 1.50pm.

### **Y6 Sleepover**

Reminder – The Year 6 Sleepover will start at 6.00pm on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July and will finish at 7.00am on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July.

### **Class Organisation September 2015**

On Tuesday your child met their new class teacher and will have brought home a slip giving you details of the teacher and class they will join in September.

For your information the class organisation for the academic year 2015-2016 is as follows:

Acorn	Nursery	Mrs Walker	Chestnut	Year 3	Miss Johnson
Willow	Reception	Miss Sandison	Sycamore	Year 4	Mrs Patterson
Beech	Year 1	Miss Curry	Rowan	Year 5	Mrs Ellis
Maple	Year 2	Mr Layton	Oak	Year 6	Miss Tuart

### **Summer Holidays**

School will close at 2.00pm on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July and re-open on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September at 8.45am. Breakfast club will begin on 3<sup>rd</sup> September at 8.00am.