



**Thought for the Week:** "Change your thoughts and you change your world." ~ Norman Vincent Peale

## celebrating success

### Attendance

Willow had the highest attendance last week with 99% and whole school was 97%. Well done once again everyone!! Please don't forget to call 822326 if your child is unable to attend school. Thank you.

### Head Teacher Awards

The following children were given Head Teacher Award Certificate for their outstanding work last week: Ethan Jackson, Joe Jamieson, Justin Cook, Lucas Rushton, Summer Hann, Kian O'Brien and Michael Lee. Well done to all of you and keep up the good work!

### Star of the Week

Star of the Week Certificates were all given to the following children: Ellie McLean, Abbey Scott, Emma Archer, Bailey Chivers, Katie Agnew, Saphyre Alexander and Shay Jackson. These children all had Star Tea with Mr Sutherland due to their exemplary attitude.

### Manners the Monkey

Manners the Monkey is in our school to help develop good manners in all our children. If children are spotted demonstrating good manners they can enter the weekly prize draw to win a special prize to take home! Last week's winners were: Hallie Taylor and Rebecca Rowell.

### Ice Cream Friday

The following children all had ice cream sundaes at Ice Cream Friday last week: Jack Simpson, Jamie Mason, Nikita Linney, Shannon Agnew, Eleanor Jordan, Katie Kerry and Emily Kirsopp. These children were rewarded because of their good attitude and their tremendous effort last week.

### Pudding of the Week

The Pudding of the week was chosen by Beech class and it is called 'Ice-Cream Dream'. It sounds delicious. It will be served on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April.

## important information

### Disruption to pavements outside Bedlington Station Primary School - Update

Further to the information I gave out in last week's newsletter, I have now spoken to the Director of the company responsible for undertaking the work on the pavements around school. I have received an unreserved apology from him for the disruption that has been caused to the community and specifically to children and parents trying to access our school over the past few weeks. This work should have been completed some weeks ago and has been overlooked by their operational division and therefore not completed in a timely manner. I have made him aware in the strongest terms that at no time as a school were we consulted as to any works being carried out and no representative from that company ever came to see us to talk through the proposed works. I have his assurance that this work will now be carried out over the Easter break and will be completed by the time the children return. Indeed, the workman were on the site yesterday afternoon. On behalf of this contractor I apologise once again for any disruption this has caused you and your family. The Director will be writing formally to me to apologise and I will place a copy of this letter in the Noticeboard on the yard when it arrives.

### Thank you!

The spring term seems to have flown by and it only seems 5 minutes ago when we became Portal Design after the Christmas holiday! We have packed so much learning into the term which I hope that you have seen from your visits to school for Parents' Evenings and from our weekly newsletters. Once again my I thank you all for your support of our school and for engaging with us in a positive and constructive way. I will gladly consider any suggestions from parents and carers that will help to enhance the life of our school and the children in it. I try to be as visible around school at the beginning and the end of the day but if you ever need to speak to me, please don't hesitate to call in at the Office and make an appointment to see me. Next term, some of our children will be taking their SATS and they have already shown from their mocks and the work they are doing in lessons that they are more than ready for this challenge. We also have a trip to Robinwood scheduled for Year 4 Sycamore and we will be inviting parents into school to have some more curriculum time with their children as well as enjoying a delicious meal from our new school menu should you wish. My thanks also to all the staff here who have worked tirelessly all term to ensure that we offer the best possible provision for the children.

May I take this opportunity to wish you and your families a very happy Easter break. **Just a reminder that school closes tomorrow March 27<sup>th</sup> at 2.00pm. April 13<sup>th</sup> is a staff INSET day in school, so we look forward to welcoming the children back into school on Tuesday April 14<sup>th</sup> at 08:45.**



The final total for Comic Relief was £252.55 this was from donations and the sale of red noses.

### **Easter Egg Competition and Coffee Morning**

Don't forget to come along and see the Easter Egg winners and entries tomorrow morning in the school hall entry via the fire exit hall doors at 9.00am, have a cup of coffee or tea as you browse. We will also have a few raffle prizes. So please come along and see all the wonderful exhibits.

### **The Salvation Army - Film Night**

Please go along to the Film Night on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 5.30pm The Penguins of Madagascar (£2 entry fee and tuck shop) at The Salvation Army, Hartford Road West, Bedlington, NE22 6HU Please call tel: 829356 for more details.

### **Sainsbury's Active Kids**

Please, please, please don't forget to collect the Sainsbury's Active kids vouchers and hand them into school, there is a box situated in the foyer. Thank you.

### **Lost Property**

If your child has lost a sweatshirt or cardigan etc, then please don't forget to look in the lost property box situated opposite Chestnut class in the main building. Thank you.

### **Water Bottles**

Bernicia Housing have kindly donated some water bottles to school and there is enough for every child to receive a free bottle.