



**Thought for the Week:** "It is better to know how to learn, than to know" - Dr Seuss

## celebrating success

### Stars of the Week

The following children were given Head Teacher Awards at Friday's Achievement Assembly before half term following a recommendation from their teacher: Alex Roy, Megan Philpott, Millie Barker, Evie Moat, Emily Young, Ellie McLean, Chennai Burns, Katie Challoner, Ellie Gee, Samantha Arkle, Andrew Condie, Beth Darbyshire, Saphyre Alexander, Michael Lee, Amy O'Donnell, Rebecca Hanlon, Alisha Marshall, Leon Mudd, Dylan McMorn, Eva Halliday, Charli-Sioux McLeod, Shannon Agnew, and Kelsie Saddler. 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 prior to the half-term holiday: Rhys Crocker-Gore, Brooke Jobson, Jailei Saint, Lucas Rushton, Eleanor Jordan, Christopher Blackwood and Logan Reed. These children were rewarded for the tremendous effort they put in during that week.

### Top Table

The following children all had their lunch with Mr Sutherland and Miss Mead at the Top Table prior to the half-term holiday: Josh Smith, Callum Mitchell, Robbie Holman, Jason Ince, Shannon Agnew, Tia Sweetlove, Katie Kerry and Savannah Sweetlove. These children were rewarded for their outstanding work last week.

### Attendance

The week before half term the class with the highest attendance was Sycamore class with 99.5%. Well done Sycamore! Whole school attendance was on target at 95%. This wasn't as good as in previous weeks and we are looking for a big improvement next week.

## important information

### Parents' Evenings

Next week, we welcome parents and carers into school for our autumn "Parents' Evenings". They are being held on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November after school, (NB Rowan Class are having their Parents' Evenings on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>). Please sign up for an appointment if you haven't already done so. It is always really helpful for class teacher to meet with parents and carers to let them know how the first term is going. We will be able to share how well your child is settling in, celebrate successes already evident and share the targets we will be working on with the children over the next few months. We are only able to offer a ten minute slot for each appointment I'm afraid, due to the number of parents and carers we need to see. If you require a longer appointment, please feel free to see your class teacher to arrange a mutually convenient time.

### Parental Feedback Forms

At the end of your meeting with the teacher, you will be given a feedback form to complete. We would be very grateful if you could spare two minutes to write down any thoughts or views you may wish to share. This may be an acknowledgement of things that are going well or an area where you feel we could do better. Any ideas or suggestions on how to improve would be much appreciated. All feedback forms will be read by Mr Sutherland and either he, or a member of the Senior Leadership Team will respond personally to any queries you may have. Please leave them outside the classroom before you leave or hand them in at the Office if you wish them to remain confidential.

## notices

The First World War officially ended on the eleventh hour on the eleventh day on the eleventh month, 1918 - Armistice Day. The act of a Two Minute Silence began on the anniversary of Armistice Day in 1919 by those who did not want to forget the millions killed, injured and affected. Now generally called Remembrance Day, millions of people stop what they are doing and observe a Two Minute Silence at 11 am on 11 November each year in the memory of those who have been affected in all conflicts. Accordingly, the children and staff at Bedlington Station Primary School will join in with this collective act of remembrance next Tuesday to remember those who have fallen.

## Poppy Appeal

Please don't forget to get your poppies, minimum donation 50p per poppy. All proceeds to the Royal British Legion Appeal. Thank you.

## Exciting News – New Equipment for the Playground is arriving

We wanted to let you know that some new playground equipment will be arriving over the next few weeks. This is part of a regeneration of our playground to excite and engage the children not only during play times and lunch times but also during creative curriculum elements through the school day. You will notice that some areas of the playground will be cordoned off to allow the contractors access to the site. The safety of our children and the adults on our premises is of paramount importance so we will be making sure that the area to be worked on is safe at all times and the children kept away until the work is finished. We would ask for your support in this, especially at the beginning and the end of the school day, to make sure your children keep away from these areas. There may be some slight, short term disruption affecting access to particular classrooms on certain days and we ask that you please bear with us. We promise that normal service will be resumed as quickly as possible.

Please can we ask that **all** Key Stage Two children use the Lower Key Stage two door for the next few days and Maple class will enter their class via the rear door of Beech class situated in Willow garden.

**School Admissions for Reception Children September 2015** – Children whose date of birth falls between 09/09/2010 and 31/08/2011 - The Portal for E-admissions on the Northumberland County Council website is now open and will be until Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2015. If parents miss the deadline then their child may not be considered for place in their preferred school. You should have received instructions from county on how to apply on line for a place in a school.

## Children in Need

Children in Need is next Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November, please come dressed as a Superhero and bring in a contribution of £1 per child. We will be selling Chocolate Krispies at 20p each from Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November. All proceeds will go to Children in Need.

## School Photographs

Please don't forget to return your school photograph orders **before** Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November so that orders can be sent to our supplier and returned in time for Christmas. Thank you.

## Morrison's Let's Grow

The Morrison's let's grow vouchers are no longer being issued please send in any that you may have before Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November. Many thanks.

**Year 6 London visit** – We wanted to share some images from the recent trip to London. As you can see, everyone had a very enjoyable time. There will soon be more images and videos from the trip available on the school website.



## Halloween Disco

A big thank you to everyone who came along to the Halloween disco, it was a huge success and raised £170 towards the PTA. A very big thank you to the PTA and everyone who helped organised the event. Everyone had a wonderful time!