

Dame Dorothy Primary School Weekly Newsletter

What's gone... 5th -9th October

Star of the Week

Remember, our whole school target is above 95%.

Year 1	Kelly Austin
Year 2	Demi-Leigh Robson
Year 3	Tchoui Haggar
Year 4	Maddison Taylor
Year 5	Millie Wright
Year 6	Lucy Briton

Head Teacher's Award
Caitlin Head

House Group Winners!	Best Class Attendance	Whole School Attendance
Blue	Y5 99.5%	95.4%



Growing up to be a good citizen who looks after and cares for the environment is an important part of life in school. We regularly discuss the need to look after our environment in curriculum and assemblies and every year we sign up to the Keep Britain Tidy organisation to carry out their 'Big Tidy Up'.

The children will be going out and about in the local area complete with protective clothing and litter pickers next week to see for themselves the harm done by thoughtless people.

Year 5 went down to Roker seafront for their Big Tidy. Grabbing our litter sticks, putting on our gloves and getting rubbish bags ready, we started at Sue's Café, working hard to clear the car parks, sea front and around the houses at the marina. We filled three bin bags with rubbish! We were delighted a councillor came down to support us after she heard what a fabulous job we were doing. A big thank you to Tom and Sue from Sue's Café who provided juice and delicious cakes for us, after our hard work. The children were really proud of their work and loved seeing a tidy sea front.

Also, Year 5 received special thanks



This week the football team had games against one of the strongest teams in the city Hill View. Although we never won we gained valuable experience in preparation for our next league game. You can read Mr Thompsons full match report by visiting the school website.

Caitlin attended a science week at Dame Allans School in Newcastle during the school holidays. Caitlin enjoyed using a microscope to find out about germs.



Lego open zone year 6 kicked off their lego league challenge learning how to programme robots.



Musical Notes

The choir and Y5 are rehearsing with other primary schools and the boy choristers from Durham Cathedral on Tuesday. This practise takes place in school time at Broadway Junior School. It's a half day rehearsal, so no packed lunches are required. The Dame Dorothy Ukulele Band has now had 2 band lessons - pleased to report it's going really well! Have a look at the Facebook page for a video of our first song! Looking like they'll be more than ready for a spot in the Christmas concert!

REMINDERS TO PARENTS:

Term time holidays cannot be authorised by school and should be avoided. In certain cases fines may and can be issued.

Dinner money needs to be paid each Monday for the coming week. It can also be paid online, see link on school website.

Please ensure you child has PE or swimming kit at school on the day of there lesson. PE is a statutory subject which requires every child to participate every week. Please support us in achieving this.

Out of school achievement

I started off at my photography club and had no idea I would come this far. The club inspired me and I continued outside of school with my mam to the wood, and my dad around the local area. Mrs Elliot and Mrs Gibson organized the club and I am very thankful as without them I wouldn't have come this far. All this started when I found myself in to the district competition and I was so excited! I thought it would stop there and everyone at home was proud, but I received the news in the morning that I had progressed into the regional competition. That Friday was awesome, especially when I was given a cheque of £50! I didn't hear anything for a long time after that and I thought that was the end but Mrs Gibson, who blurted out all the news I could barely understand, told me that I won the national competition and came 2nd place from 56,000 people. Later within the holidays I got a letter and inside was £75 and a certificate. I then went to a gorgeous restaurant, in the town, called Angelo's and had a peperoni pizza. Mmmmmmmmm!

The royal photographer himself chose the winning photos and I came second.



what's on... 12th -16th October

Athletics: A selected team from Year 5&6 combined will be taking part at Monkwearmouth on Tuesday afternoon against our neighbouring schools in an athletics meeting. The children will be competing in a mixture of track and field events and we are sure they will put in a strong performance. Good luck!

Harvest: Our annual harvest festival is scheduled for Wednesday 21st October, 2-15pm in school. It will be lead by the children from year 5 and ably supported by our talented musicians. Parents and carers are most welcome to attend. As part of the harvest tradition we request donations of tinned or packet food to form our service display before we then distribute to those in need from our own community.

Year 2 will be going to Tesco on the 15th October for their topic.

Boldon Lawn Tennis Club are having a multi sports fun day on Friday 30th October from 10—3. The event costs £12 please ask at reception if you would like more details.

The Safeguarding designated people are; Mr Williamson, Mrs Maughan and Mrs Burdon.
The Anti-Bullying Coordinators for the school are; Mrs Burdon and Mrs Maughan. Please view the Anti-bullying policy on the school website.

Diary Dates

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| • 13.10 Y5/choir singing @ Broadway am | • 15.10 Football Team @ St John Bosco |
| • 13.10 Athletics @ Monkwearmouth | • 20.10 Year 2 @ Winter Garden |
| • 15.10 Y2 @ Tesco | • 21.10 Harvest Festival (Y5 leading) |
| • 02.11 Children return to school | • 26.10 Half term holiday |
| • 09.11 Parent Evening by appointment | |