

What's gone 8th - 13th October

Star of the Week

Year 1	Amelia
Year 2	Britney
Year 3	Olivia
Year 4	Ekam
Year 5	Arya
Year 6	Zac

Weekly Attendance League Table

😊 = 100% class attendance
 😊 = best class attendance (not 100%)

R	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
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Remember to check out our Facebook page



Best Class Attendance	Whole School Attendance
Reception 98.5%	94.4% 😊

Travelling By Tuba:

The whole school from Reception to Y6 had a fantastic hour being entertained and educated by Chris and Stuart, who call themselves Travelling by Tuba. The presentation included lots of different instruments, but the favourite by far was the Swiss horn. It was very long and some of the children managed to make very loud noises from it! There were lots of opportunities for audience participation. There are lots of photos from this event on our Facebook page. Following this Y1,2,3,4,5 and 6 had a class workshop with the visiting musicians. Everyone had the chance to play an instrument and took part in a final performance. There were some beautiful Spanish Tangos to be heard and some rhythmic Mexican Salsas! A big WELL DONE to all the children who behaved wonderfully and had an exciting time!

Athletics: On Tuesday, Mr T took his finest athletes to Monkwearmouth for the cluster's annual event. Boys and girls had the chance to test themselves on track and field events against 4 other schools. The indoor event was very exciting and very noisy! The team won lots of their events so we knew the final results would be very close.

We all gathered for the final marks and found that the girls were 3rd out of 5 schools and the boys made 2nd and only missed out on first place by a single point! So overall we were placed 3rd so we unfortunately had to give up the cup but we'll return again next year and try again. Well done to all who took part.

Big Tidy Up:

It has been a busy and enlightening week for our children as they took part in our Big Tidy Up event. They were so shocked and appalled at the amount of litter they found strewn on the pavements and grass verges in our locality. They collected countless numbers of bags but could have collected dozens more. We hope that our children will grow up to take responsibility for their rubbish and help to keep our environment litter free.



EYFS Walk: Early years had a fabulous visit to Roker park today to explore Autumn changes. We were nature detectives finding different coloured leaves and identifying them on our help sheets. We enjoyed running through the crunchy leaves and collecting natural wonders to bring back to school. We saw fat and thin trees and tall and short trees and even hugged a tree or too. We watched squirrels scurrying across our path and quickly out of sight. All the children were very well behaved and we are very proud of them. Thank you to all parents and carers who joined us on this mini adventure we hope you enjoyed it.



Football @ Castle View:

Despite the wind and rain the young footballers who went along to Castle View for a skills festival day had a wonderful time. They were shown different techniques for passing, turning and shooting before putting these skills into action in small conditioned games. As always the children were very well behaved and a credit to both school and their families.

Harvest Festival:

A reminder that we are collecting food for our Year 5 Harvest Festival celebrations on Wednesday 18th October at 2pm. We are asking for donations of tinned food and packets to make up our harvest hamper that we can hand over to the Salvation Army in order that they can help the most needy in our neighbourhood. Any items you can donate will be gratefully received.

School councillors:

Our school councillors from years four, five and six attended the Annual Children conference on Anti-bullying on Monday. We met up with other children from other schools and carried out workshops about disability, young carer's and how to stay safe on the internet. It was interesting and fun!



Choir News

Preparations for the Durham Cathedral event continued this week with another visit from the tutor Clare. The choir have been working hard and are even beginning to sing Ave Maria in Latin. Choir members were given a letter this week asking for their parents' permission to take part. Mrs. Ireland will send a second letter with more detailed information after half term. For those parents who would like to attend the cathedral to hear the children sing, you will need to arrive at the cathedral at 1:30pm. on 22nd November. Tickets are not required and there is no charge for the audience. We hope you're looking forward to the final event and hearing the children's voices fill the cathedral with sound.



Standing Messages:

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 on Monday for the week ahead.

Please ensure your child has **PE or swimming kit** at school on the day of their lesson. **PE is a statutory subject** which requires every child to participate every week.

Please support us in achieving this.



Can parents please ensure children are supervised after being collecting at home time and in particular not allow them to climb trees, goal posts or fences on school premises. Thank you

What's on

Re-arranged Teacher Meetings for Y2 & Y6 Tuesday 17th October:

Year 2 will be holding two sessions for parents to attend on Tuesday from 3.30pm to 4pm. Year 6 will be holding individual meetings by appointment from 3:30pm onwards on Tuesday also.

London Residential Y6: On Monday 16th from 8:30am in Y6 class we will be giving parents the opportunity to listen to and ask questions of Kevin Foster from Explore 4 all who is leading our trip to London this November. It is an opportunity to find out about the transport and sleeping arrangements; what to take and what not to; plus the itinerary for the two days. We hope to see you there.

Standing Reminders:

- 17.10: Y2 & 6 - Rearranged parents night. Please note that Y6 will be individual appointments
- 18.10: Harvest Festival Y5 from 2pm
- 20.10: Half Term Holiday
- 30.10: Return to school
- 02.11: Y5 @ The Word
- 03.11: Firework Safety Assemblies—PC Overton

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