

1st - 5th October

Star of the Week

Year 1	Ivana
Year 2	Enoch
Year 3	Kayden
Year 4	Brooke & Lola
Year 5	Jessie
Year 6	Joshua

Weekly Attendance League Table

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

R	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
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Head Teachers Award
Arya



House Group Winner	Best Class Attendance	Whole School Attendance
Red	Y5 100%	96.5% 

Athletics: The athletics team of 9 boys and 9 girls travelled to Monkwearmouth for their annual cluster athletics competition on Tuesday. We competed against strong teams from the other neighbouring schools for a chance to appear in the city wide finals scheduled for the 16th Oct at Biddick. Each child had various track and field events to compete in such a sprint, hurdles, javelin and shot. At the end of the competition each child's scores were added together to form an overall total. The girls managed to finish top overall but the boys could only manage 5th. However, once the scores were added together, we managed to finish 2nd which qualifies us for the final! So, well done to all who took part and we'll look forward to going again in a few weeks time.



Apple Store: Half of year 6 spent Wednesday morning at the Apple Store in Newcastle, they had a chance to get hands on with the very latest in Apple technology. All the children designed anti bullying posters that will be on display in school very soon. We look forward to taking the other half of year 6 next Wednesday.

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 coming.

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 in every week. Please support us in achieving this.

Harvest Festival: The Year 5 children will be leading our Harvest Festival celebrations on Wednesday 17th October in the school hall from 2pm. They have already begun their preparations for the event and parents of the children from the Y5 class are most welcome to come along to watch. In the light of our 50th birthday celebrations, we have been researching how Dame Dorothy Williamson supported the local community hundreds of years ago. As harvest time is upon us, we are collecting tinned and packet food as usual to give to those who do not have as much as we do in our locality. This year we intend, with your help, to make this a continuous project throughout the year where we can support those in need through donating food for our food bank located in the entrance area which will be passed on to the Salvation Army. We know that generosity is a strength of the families of Dame Dorothy and we hope our values of care and support for others will help those most in need. A box will be available in the foyer from Monday. Thank you for your continued support.



Beamish: The year 4 children are off on their travels next week, courtesy of the Sir Tom Cowie Trust, to Beamish for their first of three visits during the academic year. Letters should have already been sent home regarding this trip just remember to wrap up warm as the autumn weather kicks in.

Big Tidy Up: We believe that educating the children to be responsible young citizens and to show respect for the area they live is an important part of school life. That's why we will be holding our 10th annual Big Tidy Up event next week to highlight to the children the amount of unnecessary rubbish we can find in our locality and how we can do something to change this. Sadly, over the years we have always collected dozens of bags filled with rubbish and it would be lovely if we were unable to fill as many this year.

Sporting Events Ahead: There are two sporting events coming up next week. Firstly, on Thursday a selected number from our Thursday running club will be competing in a 2km run at Silksworth with children from all across the city. Then on Friday, Mr Thompson will be taking a group of footballers from Y4&5 (and maybe Y3) along to Castle View Enterprise Academy for a football skills and competition day against schools from North Sunderland and South Tyneside. The children will be leaving school at about 9:45 and will be back for 3:20pm. Information will be sent home to those children taking part early next week.

Parent Evening: We are looking forward to seeing you on Monday evening for our parents evening to catch up with you about the progress of your child. In addition we will be displaying photographs, documents, pupil work and videos in the hall to mark our 50th birthday along with some light refreshments. We hope you will be able to come along.

Upcoming Events:

08.10 Big Tidy Up Event
08.10 Parent Evening by appointment
10.10 Year 6 trip to Apple Store Newcastle
11.10 Year 4 @ Beamish
11.10 Running Club @ Silksworth 2km run
12.10 Football @ Castleview Y4/5
17.10 Harvest Festival Y5—2pm
18.10 Year 1 @ Great North Museum
22.10 Half Term holiday week

**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.**

50th Celebration Day:

We had the most fantastic day in school last Friday as the children excelled themselves with their 60's costumes to mark the opening of the school in 1968. They looked so colourful wearing their bohemian outfits throughout the day. The children took part in a very different morning curriculum learning about a whole range of things including playground chants and games from the 1960's. During the afternoon we welcomed back some former staff including Mrs Chalmers who was head teacher of Dame Dorothy between 1984 and 1991.

The choir sang brilliantly for our guests to cap off a wonderful day.



