

Dame Dorothy Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

24th - 28th June

Star of the Week

Year 1	Beau
Year 2	Jesse
Year 3	Rosie
Year 4	Harry
Year 5	All of Year 5
Year 6	Dana

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

Head Teacher Award
 Hermione, Zainah & Zumie

House Group Winner	Best Class Attendance	Whole School Attendance
Blue	Y2 & Y6 100%	96.4% 

Boldon Trip EYFS: The Children in EYFS had the most wonderful time on Wednesday when they visited West Boldon Lodge. They were able to explore the grounds and discover many interesting creatures during their forest bug hunt and pond dipping activities. The teachers were very impressed with the behaviour of all of the children and were so pleased with their eagerness and excitement to take part in the activities. They were a real credit to their parents and to the school. We would like to extend our gratitude to our fantastic parent helpers, without whom this wonderful experience would not have been possible.



West Boldon Lodge have a vast array of activities running during the summer holidays; if you would be interested in getting back to nature and sharing a fun packed day with your family, visit their Facebook page and have look at what they have to offer.

Music Concert: BRAVO! ENCORE! 🎵 🎵 🎵

On Wednesday afternoon the school hall was packed with musicians and their families for our Summer Music Concert. The concert included some new songs performed beautifully by the choir; they sang "One and a Million" in two part harmony and cheered everyone up by 'accentuating the positive'. We also heard exceptional clarinet and flute playing - what amazing progress the Y6 pupils have made, the clarinets played "Wooden Heart" and the flutes played a poignant piece written by Mr Brown called 'Au Revoir'. It's always great to hear the Y5 saxophones play and Y5 flutes and clarinet players played wonderfully well. Let's not forget the delightful ukulele songs and an impressive piano piece played by Ethan in Y5. Thanks go to everyone who came to support this event and a big "Bravo! Encore!" to everyone who performed.



Skiing: Having arrived at the ski slope early, Year 5 were led to a secret just a little down the hill. A full training running track! Amazed by the size and how different the ground felt, many of us were excited to see if we could manage a full lap or two. We were surprised to find out that it's free to use at any time for the public. We definitely have a few future Olympic runners!

Skiing time next! After getting fitted for our ski boots and the fun of getting them on our feet time to attempt to walk to the slope. It was a challenge with our heavy foot wear. Our lessons were great fun and we all managed to ski down the beginners slope, even a small jump at the end. The challenge was being able to stand up after we fell down, very tricky with long skis attached.

McDonald's for lunch, everyone fell silent as we were starving after such an energetic morning.

We were soon back on the slopes again, this time ready for snow-tubing. We are surprised you didn't hear Mrs Champion's scream from school, as she whizzed past us. It was like sledging, but in a tube and much, much faster!

Thank you to Silksworth Ski slope for our lessons and an amazing experience. Many of us are excited to return.



Can we remind parents to park considerably outside of school.

There have recently been parking tickets issued for cars parking on the pavement and yellow lines. It is also dangerous to park on the pavement when parents and children are coming in and out of school.

The wellbeing of all our children is our main concern. Please help us to keep them safe. Thank you.



Our Y6 gymnastics team enjoyed their regional finals yesterday in Newcastle. They were asked to replace another school who had declined the invitation with only a few weeks notice given to prepare. Not to put off by this, Y6 had an extra session of tuition from a new coach, Dani Halestone. She gave a lot of areas to polish and perfect resulting in a fantastic bronze medal at the event. The children were thrilled. To finish 3rd in the whole region is an awesome result. Well done all who took part!



Diary Dates:

See attached list for upcoming dates



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.



Safeguarding Governor –Mrs Roberts.



Mental Health and Well-Being Champion - Miss Baker.



Edinburgh: Year 5 had the most incredible day yesterday in Edinburgh. Our fundraising during the year, allowed us to travel first class on the train. An amazing treat with breakfast included and I think we cleared the first class lounge of biscuits and juice! Once off the train, we headed up to the castle, stopping on the way to find the hand prints of J K Rowling, placed at the City Chambers.

At the castle we explored the castle grounds, dungeons, prisoner of war cells, war memorial and the amazing Crown Jewels! The 1 o'clock canon fire echoed across Edinburgh, and our ears! We were so lucky to meet the soldier who fired the canon and have photos with him.

Year 5 enjoyed an ice cream while walking round the sights. We took inspiration from JK Rowling and searched for names from her books. We found Mad Eye Moodie, Tom Riddle and Professor McGonagall. We even saw the school that inspired Hogwarts, the turrets made us suspect it really was a magic school!

The childhood museum, took us back in time, Mrs Campion was shocked, she saw some of her toys from her childhood there! We loved the puppet theatre, dressing up, dolls houses, old board games, magnetic fish, tea party sets and much more!

After such a busy day, we slowly walked to our final destination, The Refinery, for our special two course evening meal. The children finally fell silent for a few moments while they happily ate and sipped their drinks.

Back on the train, first class again, we enjoyed hot drinks and some children even managed another meal.

We were surprised at Newcastle Station by the fabulous staff of LNER contact centre.

They had goodie bags for each of us, as they had heard about our fundraising and thought we deserved an extra treat.

A fabulous day, with fabulous children.



Diary Dates

JULY	
Tuesday 2nd	Young Leaders' training
Tuesday 2nd	Year 1 Teddy Bear's Picnic at Monkwearmouth Academy
Thursday 4th	Year 4 at Beamish Museum
Thursday 4th	Wimbledon trip
Monday 8th	Year 6 at Safety Works, Newcastle
Tuesday 9th	EYFS Gibside (rearranged from 14th June)
Tuesday 9th	Olympic Day at Monkwearmouth Academy
Thursday 11th	Beach Day N, R, Y1 & Y2
Friday 12th	Year 5 Science event in Newcastle
Monday 15th	Year 3 at Broom House Farm
Monday 15th	Big Sing event at Sunderland Empire
Monday 15th	Summer Disco 4-5pm
Tuesday 16th	Sports Day N, R, Y1 & Y2 a.m. / Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 p.m.
Wednesday 17th	Y1 Tall Ships Workshop
Wednesday 17th	Year 6 Leaver's Assembly 2pm
Wednesday 17th	Year 6 Leaver's Prom 5pm
Thursday 18th	Beach Day Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6
Friday 19th	Last day of term, school closes at 1.30pm
Tuesday 3rd September	Inset Day
Wednesday 4th September	School re-opens