



Newsletter 23 – 8th March 2024

Coffee Morning

Hannah, our Family Support Worker is continuing our coffee mornings. These take place every week, on a Thursday morning from 9 – 10am in the Lodge. Please come along, everyone is welcome!



Year 4 DT Sewing Topic

Year 4 would like to invite their parents/carers into school on **Thursday 21st March** from **1:45 – 3:15pm**, to support the children with their DT sewing topic.



Year 3 & 4 Cheerleading Breakfast Club

Anyone that wants to support the group and watch the game for a discounted price, please purchase at the office for £10 per ticket, they are normally £20.

Year 4 Tree Planting

Year 4 are having a local outing on **Tuesday 12th March**, students will be planting trees with Durham Wildlife Trust linking to their science topic. Please send students to school with suitable outdoor clothing and shoes.

Change in PE days – Y2A/Y5A

There has been a change to PE days for Y2A/Y5A, this will be until the end of this term. Please see below for their new days:

Y2A - Monday and Friday

Y5A - Tuesday

Please can all students wear their PE Kits to come into school on these days.

Change in PE day - Y3/Y4

Y3/Y4 will swap PE days next week only, this is due to Y4 partaking in Tree Planting on the Tuesday.

Y3 will need to come to school in their PE kits on **Tuesday**.

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Parents Consultation Sessions

Bookings are available now to book via Arbor.

Parents Consultations will take place on **Thursday**, **14**th **March**. Appointments can be booked from **8:00 -9:20am & 2:00 - 6:30pm**.

Y6A Consultations are being held on **Monday**, **18**th **March**. Appointments can be booked from **8:00 -9:20am & 2:00 - 6:30pm**.

Additional Nursery Consulations have been setup on **Friday**, **15th March**. Appointments can be booked from **08:30-10:30am**.

(If you have already booked a Nursery Consultation, you will not need to book an additional appointment.)

If you cannot access Arbor, please contact the school office

Comic Relief 2024



Next Friday, 15th March is Comic Relief; Comic Relief is a fundraising event backed by the BBC and invites people to do 'something funny for money' and help raise money for charity. Children are invited to wear Red Nose Day merchandise, red or spots. We ask that people <u>do not</u> go and buy things specifically for the day as we know how costly this can be. We would love to see some creative ideas – such as decorated t-shirts or painted noses.

In the comedic spirit, we will be hosting a **joke competition** for children to enter. Children will write down their joke and the best joke will be chosen by Mrs Wilkinson and published onto next week's newsletter. We ask a donation to be made to Comic Relief if you are able Donate | Comic Relief

Calling all Year 5 Parents/Carers!



To end our Geography topic of 'Why does water go round and round?', Year 5 would like to invite parents/carers into school from 1:30 – 2:45pm on Thursday, 28th March. We will be in the small hall, creating 3D model of a river using junk-modelling.

We ask that children from across school start bringing junk-modelling materials into school so we can offer a wide range of materials in our engagement afternoon. This includes: cereal boxes, egg cartons, yoghurt pots, newspaper, milk bottles etc – **anything** you would put into recycling boxes, minus glass.

OPAL

At Lingey House, we have an outstanding range of OPAL areas available for the children to use at both break and lunch times. As much as we love to see the fun the children have with these areas, can we ask that the children are reminded not to use any of these areas or toys before or after school. This includes both climbing frames and the school bus, this is for health and safety reasons.

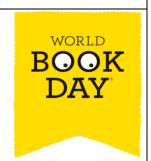


Easter Raffle

It's that time of year again and the PTA are organising our annual Easter Raffle. As always, we're always looking for donations so, if you're out shopping, and can pop an extra egg in the trolley we'd really appreciate it! Donations can be made to the school office.

Book Sale

A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to our used book sale, we have managed to raise over £300. Our reading ambassadors will choose some new books for everyone to enjoy.



Easter Disco!

Our first PTA Easter Disco will be on Wednesday 27th March 2024!



Tickets include a drink, crisps and Easter treat for each child. We expect there will be dancing, games and prizes on offer too!

We are a big school and, in the interest of safety, the disco will run-in two time slots.

KS1 - 3:15 to 4:15 KS2 - 4:30 to 5:30

KS1 children are welcome to bring their party clothes to school to change into if they would like and KS2 may return home to change first.

Tickets will be priced at £2 each (although a donation of more is always appreciated!) and are now on sale from your child's class teacher. Please send money into school in a named envelope.

We are very excited about this event and all funds raised will go into our PTA fund.

Holiday Workshops Easter 2024



DANCE - GAMES - ART & DESIGN

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1 Day @ £20 or 2 Day's @ £35

CONTACT US ON | 07765466450 OR 07850227720

DANCEFUSE studio, Cleveland Hall FC

Tuesday 2nd & Wednesday 3rd April 10.00am - 3.00pm Dancefuse Studio, Cleveland Hall FC DANCE - GAMES - ART & DESIGN Ages 4-12 1 day £20 2 days £35

Our workshops are designed to provide enjoyable, constructive and creative holiday activities for children.

Water & fruit included

Please wear suitable clothing and footwear.
Packed lunch required.
SPACES ARE LIMITED!

Simply click the link below or copy and paste into your internet browser:

https://forms.gle/Hm5174b3auW1WrzY7

Contact us on 07850227720 and 07765466450

EYFS Newsletter

Nursery

Nursery have had a great week talking about how we grow plants and looking at the lifecycle of a sunflower. The children have planted their own sunflower seeds and very excited to take them home to watch them grow. We will also be carefully observing them in Nursery and measuring the different heights.

This week we have also been working on our fine motor skills by making fruit caterpillars, the children carefully selected their fruits and threaded them onto a stick as well as counting them to check how many we had! We chatted about the names of the different fruits and whether they liked the taste or not. The children also found seeds in some of the fruits which led into the discussion of where fruits come from.

















Stay and Plays

Stay and Plays – All family members and friends are welcome. Please let a member of staff know if you are/aren't attending please.

Nursery



PLEASE BRING A SOCK FOR PLANTING & A PEBBLE/ROCK TO PAINT ON!

Reception



Are you a Health Professional?

If so and you are happy to share with children in Reception & Nursery about your job role, we would love to hear from you! Please register your interest with class teachers or at the main office. Thank you!

Reminders

Reception & Nursery Snack Money

Thank you to those who are donating towards our voluntary snack donation each week, this allows us to enjoy a nice snack and cook with the children. Any donations are welcomed (even as little as 50p), please give this to the class teacher on the door.

Nursery Library Books

Please can all Nursery parents return library books on a Thursday to be changed and returned on a Friday.

Nursery Bags and Wellies

Please ensure your child returns to school with their bags of spare clothes and bag of wellies after the half term please.

Reception Bags/Spare Clothes

We have a very low stock of socks and tights in school currently. Due to weather/forest school/ messy play, please could you ensure your child has spare socks/tights in their bags. If your child has used any school stock, please can this be returned (ticket is marked in the labels with an 's' if it belongs to school). Thank you!

Collections

Supermarket

Nursery have set up a supermarket in our nursery roleplay area. To enhance the area, we need the following items: boxes/packaging of food (empty), tins that are empty or full, tins of fruit and vegetables, receipts, catalogues/leaflets/posters, carrier bags, cups, anything branded from a supermarket.

Gardening/Growing

If you have any spare seeds/ plant pots you can donate, we would love to accept any donations to tie in with our topic of growing and change over time!

Recycling

Nursery need yogurt pots to grow our cress seeds next week, please get collecting 😊



Home Corner

Nursery are looking for more realistic clothing and accessories for our home corner, we are wanting hats/scarves/jewellery/bags/fascinators etc, these can be adult or child size. The children love exploring the different clothing that aren't your usual dressing up outfits!

Loose parts

for our outdoor area we need sticks, stones, pebbles, leaves, logs, rope, flower petals etc

Thanks Miss Hamilton, Miss Smith, Mrs Clydesdale and Mrs Cook.

Opal Update

Rough and Tumble, that sounds a bit dangerous...



Of course it does, the idea of your child being allowed to partake in any games involving the word "**rough**" always sounds a little scary. However, what if we told you that games/actions like: tug of war, football, simply climbing and even tag fall into the category of rough and tumble? Actions and games that we all most likely will have played at some point in our life.

So why do we allow it? What are the benefits? And what exactly is it?



Well, we will start with the latter question. Rough and tumble is a style of play, not something we seek to do. Generally, you may find a game you are playing would fall into this category without knowing. Some children love to play fight/wrestle; some like to create gymnastics routines which involve lifting each other up and some just like to smash pool noodles off the floor to make a loud "BANG" (and annoy the teachers who are working in their classrooms, during lunchtimes whilst doing so).

So why do children want to do this? Well during lessons our children will be sitting working their brains really hard but during this time their bodies are filling with energy and all this pent-up energy is dying to get out!

However not only is it a fantastic release for our children, there are other benefits. It allows our children to test the limits of their strength, build resilience, discover their own (and others) social boundaries and most importantly it can be great fun!

We believe rough and tumble play is an integral part of a child's development. However, don't worry it's all under control, there aren't any underground wrestling rings around our grounds you don't know about. Plus, our marvellous children even came up with their own code for practicing rough and tumble safely:

SPACE – Respect each other's boundaries and be aware of the space we are in.

STRENGTH – Show awareness of our strength when playing with each other.



STOP – When someone says stop, STOP!

THIR BEFORE YOU THROW

We are always looking for ways to better our playtimes and would be ever so grateful of any donations you could give to help us improve our loose parts provision.

Loose Parts donations:

- Recycled tyres
- Pallets
- Wooden or plastic crates
- Guttering and PVC piping
- Wood and timber
- Logs/branches and driftwood
- Ropes
- Large traffic cones
- Old traffic/street signs
- Tarps
- Troughs/tough trays
- Large plastic compost bins/container
- Cable reels
- Wheelbarrows
- Seeds/Plants and trees
- Musical Instruments

If you have any weird and wonderful objects that you aren't sure we will take don't hesitate to ask us. We would love a jet plane but will happily settle for an old boat...

Thank you!





Attendance
Each week, the class
with the best
attendance will have
an extra 10 minutes
of playtime.

If any class has 100% attendance, they will have an ice cream/hot chocolate playtime!

Class	This week's attendance	Class	This week's attendance
YRA	87.11%	Y3B	99.31%
YRB	88.28%	Y4A	99.29%
YIA	98.52%	Y4B	97.24%
Y1B	98.62%	Y5A	91.07%
Y2A	97.67%	Y5B	96.55%
Y2B	98.33%	Y6A	94.81%
Y3A	95.86%	Y6B	90.97%
Whole School Attendance:		94.55%	

This week's Superstars
I would like to say a
huge well done to all
this week's superstars

watch out for their special certificate given out in Assembly! Our superstars for this week are as follows:

Year Group		<u>Superstars</u>	
Reception		Thomas B & Ivy S	
Y1 Doi		Dominic G & Alarnah A	
Y2		Hugo Y & Jace S	
Y3		Chloe McG & Srinika V	
Y4		Logan W & Lacey G	
Y5		Sophia S & Lennon A	
Y6		Jayden C & Hannah P	

Times Table Rockstars



Biggest Earner	Class	
Jack S	Y5B	
Georgie G	Y6B	
Finlay C	Y4A	
Biggest Increase in Speed		
Liam W	Y4B	
Lacey G	Y4B	
Leo H	Y4B	
Minutes Played		
Lacey G	Y4B	
Jack S	Y5B	
Mollie M	Y4B	
Golden Guitar Winner – Y4B		

This week's House Tokens







A huge well done to... **Aria!**

Aria has been competing at the Northumberland and Durham team championships. Her team (9/10 years girls) came 5th in the Medley relay and 7th in the freestyle relay! A great achievement.

Well done, Aria.

A huge well done to... **Alisa!**

Ailsa has been competing in Ashington dancing, she came 5th in fast section, got judges choice for her dancing. And made semifinals for her slow dance.

Well done. Alisa.



After School Clubs

We are excited to offer new clubs for this half-term. Please book your child's place via Arbor. Places are limited **so please only sign up to one place per child**. We will let you know if there are any spare spaces available. Clubs run from 3.15-4.15p.m.

Day	Club	Year	Ran by	Places
Monday	Football	Year 6	NUFC	Places available – please book via Arbor
luesday	Breakfast Cheerleading	Year 3 & Year 4	Cheerleading Coach	FULL
	Dance	Reception	Miss Attwood	FULL
	Story & Crafts	Year 1	Miss Smith	FULL
	Easter Bible & Crafts	Year 3	Miss Flecknell	Places available – please book via Arbor
	Photography	Year 5	Mrs McCallum & Mrs Goulty Brown	Places available – please book via Arbor
	Dodgeball	Year 5	NUFC	Places available – please book via Arbor
	Football	Year 3 & Year 4	Mr Rippon & Mr Bloomfield	FULL
	Board Games	Year 3 & Year 4	Miss Hamilton	FULL
Wednesday	Basketball	Year 6	Mr Burrell	Places available – please book via Arbor
	Easter Crafts	Year 1	Mrs Crawford & Mrs Martin	FULL
Thursday	Mindfulness	Year 2	Mrs Cook & Mrs Masson	Places available – please book via Arbor
	Karate	Year 2	Miss Langman	FULL

Dates for the Diary

Date/time	Event	Who's involved
Tuesday 12th March	Year 4 Tree Planting	Year 4 Students
Monday 18 th March	Reception Stay & Play 2pm	Reception Parents
Thursday 21st March	Year 4 DT Sewing	Year 4 Parents/Carers
	1.45-3.15p.m.	
Monday 25 th March	Nursery Stay & Play	Nursery Parents
	15 Hour – 9:00 -11:00am	
	30 Hour – 12:45 – 2:45pm	
Wednesday 27 th March	Easter Disco	KS1 & KS2
Thursday 28 th March	Year 5 Geography Year 5 Parents	
	1:30 – 2:45pm	
Thursday 28 th March	Break up for Easter	Whole School
Monday 15 th April	Back to school	Whole School
Friday 24 th May	Break up for half term	Whole School
Monday 3 rd June	Occasional Day	School closed to all pupils
Tuesday 4 th June	INSET Day	School closed to all pupils
Wednesday 5 th June	Back to school	Whole School