

Newsletter

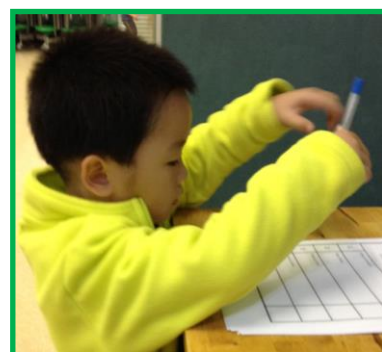
October 2017

School Council Elections 2017

Once again this year we celebrated democracy by holding elections for our new School Council for 2017 – 2018. Children in every class stood for election, creating posters for their campaign and giving a presentation. We turned school into a polling station on Thursday 28th September where everyone had their secret vote.



VOTE



All the votes were carefully counted for each Class and we're very proud to announce the names of our new School Council...



Reception: Callum and Alisha

Year 1: Daley and Ebony

Year 2: Daisy and Layla-Rae

Year 3: Jasmine and Cameron

Year 4: Lilly-Mai and Teagan-Leigh

Year 5 and 6: Oliver, Macey, Oliver & Kierin



***Congratulations to our new
School Council Representatives!***



This year we celebrated Harvest through song! The children sang beautifully, learning ten songs that reminded us all to be thankful at this special time of year.



Thank you for all your kind donations for our Harvest Table. Class 4 delivered the food within the local community.

Our new SNAG (School Nutrition Action Group) has been selected and they have already had their first meeting to discuss the menu and lunchtime events.

Reception: Logan Crampton

Year 1: Scarlett Pallister Year 2: Kaiden Watkinson

Year 3: Lee Jones Year 4: Anas Sadiq

Year 5: Ellie Storey Year 6: Katelyn Scorer



SNAG



Our School Nutrition Action Group with our cook Mrs Bell and Mrs Elliott from Taylor Shaw

The SNAG have helped to organise some themed school lunches next half term. If your child usually has packed lunch and would like to select any of our themed lunches, please call the office to let us know.

Tuesday 31st October: Halloween Themed Lunch

Friday 3rd November: Bonfire Themed Lunch

Friday 17th November: Children in Need Day with Pudsey Bear Themed Lunch

School Fruit Shop

Children in Nursery, Classes 1 and 2 receive a piece of fresh fruit each day for free as part of the Government's fruit scheme.



Children in Classes 3 and 4 can buy a piece of fresh fruit each day for only 50p per week or 10p a day.

Our school is supporting the 'Once a Week, Take a Peek' campaign, which aims to encourage parents/carers to work together to beat head lice.

*Head lice are a normal part of childhood with as many as one in ten children experiencing head lice at any time. Although anyone can get head lice, they are particularly common amongst children of primary school age, who spend more time in close contact with their friends. **So you need to be vigilant and check your child's hair regularly, ideally once every week.** The best known symptom is itching, but not all children will itch at first so don't rely on this.*

*The good news is that you can deal with head lice quickly and easily. To help you with this we are sending you a copy of the **Once a Week, Take a Peek leaflet and a head lice comb** with this newsletter. The advice in this leaflet is in line with the latest guidelines on how to deal with head lice.*

*We will be sending out a half termly text: **'Support the crusade against head lice by remembering to once a week, take a peek!'***

We will also send out a text to inform parents/carers if a case of head lice has broken out in your child's class.

We hope that we can all work together to minimise the cases of head lice in school. If you would like any support, please call in to see us and we can put you in touch with the school nurse. Thank you.



JUST A NOTE
TO SAY
THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who
supported our
*Macmillan coffee
afternoon in September.*

Your kind donations of cakes and money and support of the
raffle helped us to raise an amazing

£237.86



**THANK YOU SO
MUCH FOR COMING**

As always, it was a lovely atmosphere
in school with many parents, carers
and children joining us.

*The Golden Table: Every fortnight, six children are selected by lunchtime
staff for excellent lunchtime behaviour and fabulous manners.
Congratulations to the following children.*



*Lilly-Mai Niles, Anas Sadiq, Nicole Gibbs,
Leon MacDonald, Darcie Gillespie and Teagan-Leigh Wright*

BREAKFAST CLUB

 GREGGS

Breakfast Club continues to be a great success with over 40 children attending some mornings!

We would not be able to offer this free club without the sponsorship from Greggs and of course without the brilliant support from our dedicated volunteers!

A very warm and great big thank you to all our brilliant Breakfast Club volunteers...

*Helen Blakey, Ellen Cottrell, Nicola Dixon,
Sarah Fearon, Claire Linfoot, June Nichol,
Joe Pickering, Tracy Pickering, Tracy Salmon,
Michelle Smith and Nichola Watkinson.*

All Different

All Equal

#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK
13th – 17th November

The key aim of the week is...

To support our children to celebrate what makes them, and others, unique and help them understand why it's important that every child feels included in school and is able to be themselves without fear of bullying. **More information will follow after the holidays.**

Soccertots

Children in Class 1 and 2 thoroughly enjoyed attending a fun football festival at Meadowfield Leisure Centre. They took part in mini games and a carousel of activities working on developing their football skills.



Tri-Golf Festival



Class 3 took part in a tri-golf festival at Maiden Castle. They took part in different golf challenges across the morning which developed their skills.

Playground Leaders – The Ned Crew

Mrs Thompson has trained our new Playground Leaders: **The Ned Crew**. They deliver exciting new activities to our infant children at lunchtimes, promoting physical activity in fun ways. They have been using equipment from the Sainsbury vouchers (more to come soon) alongside additional equipment achieved from the Premier League Primary Stars.



Lilian, Kenzie,
Azka, Oliver,
Macey, Oliver,
Mac, Nathan,
Jay and Kierin

Star Pupils These children have been selected this half term to be Stars by their teachers for many different reasons, including excellent work and effort during lessons, as well as being kind and considerate to others.

Nursery: All of Nursery, Rosie Machin, Rebecca



Class 1: All of Reception, Chloe Gibbs, Bethany Grundy

Class 2: Milena Blum–Vestena, Rebecca Dixon, Daley Cartwright

Class 3: Tia Burrows, Johnny Zhang, Anas Sadiq

Class 4: Alana Robinson, Katelyn Scorer, Ellie Storey



Ms Davison: Finley Haywood, Yiran Wang, Callum Collins





Congratulations!



Well done to all the following who achieved 100% attendance for September 2017

*Lilian Ayo-Jayeoba ♦ Casey Bainbridge ♦ Aliyah Barker ♦ Alan Bentham ♦ Josie
Luke Blakey ♦ Erin Brain ♦ Tia Burrows ♦ Daley Cartwright ♦ Lilly
Callum Collins ♦ Ray Cooper ♦ Kane Costello ♦ Logan Crampton ♦ Tyler Crampton
Logan Dinsley ♦ Oliver Dixon ♦ Rebecca Dixon ♦ Tristan ♦ Jasmine Emery
Mac Emery ♦ Ethan Farley ♦ Ben Fearon ♦ Devan France ♦ Jessica Garside
Chloe Gibbs ♦ Nicole Gibbs ♦ Alora ♦ Peyton Griffiths ♦ Daniel Grundy ♦ Liam
Siti Haqeen ♦ Finley Haywood ♦ Ella Johnson ♦ Lee Jones ♦ Samuel Linfoot
Rosie Machin ♦ Ben Maddison ♦ Casey Maddison ♦ Ebony Morris ♦ Layla-Rae Niles
Lilly-Mai Niles ♦ Lilly-Su Parker ♦ Thomas Petit ♦ Oliver Pickering ♦ Betsy Pretty
Lily Quan ♦ Joey Reay ♦ Leo Renwick ♦ Jasmine Rutherford ♦ Anas Sadiq
Lilyan Sadiq ♦ Alex Scott ♦ Tommy Scott ♦ Connor Shepherd ♦ Nathan Shepherd
Daisy Smith ♦ Cameron Thompson ♦ Kierin Thompson ♦ Jaydan Tuck
Alisha Walton-Rowlands ♦ Kaiden Watkinson ♦ Kenzie Watkinson ♦ Zac Whittle
Grace Wild ♦ Matty Wild ♦ Hallemae Wood ♦ Teagan-Leigh Wright
Josh Younger ♦ Johnny Zang*

**Each week, children who achieve 100% attendance
have the opportunity to win a £3 Tesco Gift Voucher**

Congratulations to:

Finlay McIntyre
Jay Bentham
Siti Haqeen



Class 100% Attendance voucher winners:

If an individual Class has achieved 100% for one week, then an extra draw is carried out for the children in that Class.

Class 1: Bethany Grundy Class 3: Lee Jones

Laurel Avenue Community Centre

Half Term Halloween Crafts - FREE

Monday 23rd & Tuesday 24th October 10.00 am – 12.00 pm

Under 5's must be accompanied by an adult

Fancy Dress Competition

Tuesday 31st October, 5.00 pm – 7.00 pm

£1 entry per child

Refreshments Available

Under 5's MUST be accompanied

Contact Claire for further details: 07825956094



What's on at Laurel Avenue Community Centre?

Mondays:

Laurel United Youth Group 5.00 – 7.00 pm

Over 11 year olds

FREE admission and tuck shop available

Tuesdays:

Credit Union Drop in, 1.00 – 1.30 pm

Why not start a savings account with Credit Union for you or your child? Pop in to see Claire and start saving!

Junior Youth Club & Tea Club (straight from school) 3.15 pm - 5.30 pm 5 years & above

£2.00 per child includes two course meal and entry into Youth Club

Please remember to bring £2 into school clearly marked with child's name.

Any additional spending money for the tuck shop can also be included.

Thursdays:

Toddler Group 9.00 – 11.00 am (Ages 0 - 5 years)

£2.00 which includes breakfast and unlimited tea and coffee

Thursdays:

Lunch Club 12.00 noon - 2.00 pm

£4.00 includes two course hot meal and activities. Anyone Welcome!

For any further info please contact Claire Linfoot:

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Dates for your Diary

Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th October, 3.30 – 6.00 pm. Parents' Evening R – Y6

Tuesday 17th October, am. Class 3 Quick Sticks Festival, Maiden Castle

Tuesday 17th October: Last day to bring Firefighters Clothing Bags

Wednesday 18th October: Open Day for Nursery

Wednesday 18th October: Class 4 visit to Durham Cathedral

Thursday 19th October, am. Class 4 Quick Sticks Festival, Maiden Castle

Thursday 19th October, be in school for 8.40 am please. Class 2 Visit to Theatre – Book Story

Friday 20th October, be in school for 8.40 am please. Class 1 Visit to Theatre – Troll

Monday 23rd – Friday 27th October: Half Term Holiday

Monday 30th October: Back to school

Monday 30th October, pm. Class 4 Deadly Durham Walk

Tuesday 31st October: Halloween Themed Lunch

Thursday 2nd November, pm. Class 3 Visit to St Giles Church

Friday 3rd November: Bonfire Themed Lunch

Friday 10th November, am. Class 4 Sports Hall Athletics at DCBC

Monday 13th – Friday 17th November: Anti-Bullying Week

Wednesday 15th November: Anti-Bullying Awareness Raising Day

Friday 17th November: Children in Need Day with Pudsey Bear Themed Lunch

Tuesday 28th November: Class 4 Physics into School Science Activity Day, Durham University

Wednesday 29th November: Non Uniform Day for Chocolate Donation

Monday 4th December, 1.30 – 3.00 pm. Christmas Fayre

Wednesday 13th December: Christmas Lunch, parents/carers invited

Friday 15th December, 10.00 am. Nursery and Reception Christmas Production

Wednesday 20th December, 10.00 am. KS1 and 2 Christmas Production

Thursday 21st December, am. Nursery Party for all Nursery children

Thursday 21st December, pm. Christmas Disco for Reception – Year 6

Friday 22nd December, 9.15 am. Christmas Sing-a-long (No Star Assembly)

Friday 22nd December: End of Term

Spring Term starts Tuesday 9th January 2017



Important:

Year 6 will be doing their

KS2 SATS: 14th May – 17th May 2018

***Year 1 Phonics Tests will take place during the week
beginning June 11th 2018***