

Weekly Newsletter

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School Website

www.dunstonhillprimary.org.uk



Beehive Club

The Beehive Club which provides quality affordable childcare provision before and after school is now situated in the Lifelong Learning Centre behind the main gates on Market Lane. The Breakfast Club operates from 8.00-9.00am and the After School Club from 3.15-6.00pm. If you require further information, please call in to the Club or telephone either 07986673950 or 07979734312.



Special Awards



Year Group Awards were presented today to the following children:

Reception: Aisha Rahman Class RA Year 1: Magdalena Mrosek Class 1T
Year 2: Chloe Cameron Class 2S Year 3: Maleiha Nazir Class 3R
Year 4: Jorgia Loftus Class 4C Year 5: Alice Fitzjohn Class 5Gn
Year 6: Liam Burdis Class 6D

Well done to you all, we are very proud of you.

Class Awards this week were presented to Class RA in Key Stage 1 and to Class 4A in Key Stage 2 for their general behaviour at lunchtime.

Attendance: This week's attendance awards were presented to Class 1T in Key Stage 1 who achieved 99.30% attendance rate for week ending Friday 3 July and to Classes 4A and 4C (99.00%) in Key Stage 2. Overall attendance for the school was 93.10% - we're still suffering from the sudden outbreak of chicken pox which has affected so many of our younger children!



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New Footy Players Needed!

Rutherford Under 12s football team are looking for new players for the coming season especially a goalkeeper who is currently in Year 6. If anyone is interested please contact Dave on 07920505608.

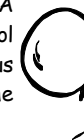
Sports Days



Unfortunately, as you know, the recent heavy rainfall put paid to this week's rescheduled sports days. This was so frustrating for all concerned as we were so looking forward to holding the respective events on our new field for the first time. Apologies once again for any inconvenience this may have caused. We hope that next year the weather is much kinder to us - we shall be starting our sun dancing from Easter on!

Dunston Gala Day

In complete contrast to our planned sports days, Gala Day on Saturday was blessed with glorious sunshine from start to finish. As always the turnout from the Dunston community was excellent and everyone enjoyed themselves. Our own stall raised nearly £200 and this money will be used to support the next stage of developing our school grounds. A big thank you to those who came to see us and sorry if you were one of the unfortunate ones who won a prize of melted chocolate - the weather again got the better of us and we were caught out! A further big thank you must go to our school catering team who made lots of scrumptious biscuits and chocolate muffins to sell at the fair.



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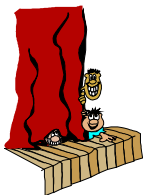
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Oliver and Year 6 Leavers' Assembly



A reminder to Year 6 parents that the children will be performing their version of 'Oliver' and holding their Leavers' Assembly on Tuesday at 5.30pm. This is always a very special occasion for all concerned and we are looking forward to seeing our oldest children perform and giving them the very best of send offs.

End of Year Progress Reports

We trust that our end of year progress reports arrived home safely this week and you were pleased with the comments. Please remember that the parent proforma should have been returned to school by today.



Staffing



We were delighted to welcome back Mrs Anglesea this week following her recent maternity leave. Next week Mrs McLean will be returning also from her maternity leave. Mrs Coleby and Miss Reid will continue to teach Classes RA and 1M respectively until the end of term.

Next Thursday sees Mrs Chapman stepping down from full time teaching and we will be marking her retirement with a special assembly.

Class Change Over Day

Next Wednesday morning the children will have the opportunity to meet and work with their new teacher for September. Both Mrs Stevens and Miss Cassidy, our two new appointments, will be joining us.



ICT Family Learning



Our ICT family learning course continues to be well attended and we are delighted to be able to host these sessions in our new school. We will be looking to offer new training opportunities from September.

Sport

Gymnastics: Monday was the last session for our Gymnastics Club. It will recommence on Monday 14 September. A reminder that there are still a few places available for any boys in either Key Stage 1 or 2 who would like to join.



Football: Next Wednesday sees the final Year 1 coaching session with Newcastle Football in the Community. The children have worked hard on developing new skills and their understanding of the game and we look forward to seeing them flourish in the years to come. A special award for the 'Best Attitude' over the six weeks will be presented on the night so get those boots polished and socks pulled up for Wednesday, Year 1!

We must also wish our Year 4 and Year 6 football teams good luck for Monday, as they are taking part in the final footy fixtures of the year with 'friendly' local derby matches against Dunston Riverside.

Cricket: Disappointingly, the local schools cricket tournament had to be cancelled this week due to a waterlogged pitch at Swalwell. Children in Years 4 and 5 missed out on the opportunity to test their budding cricketing skills in competition but we look forward to developing more opportunities for competition in cricket next year through our continued involvement with Durham CCC and the 'Chance to Shine' scheme.



Summer Fun Day



Thursday 23 July 11.30am-3.30pm
Gateshead International Stadium
Free Entry



Activities include: raffle, tombola, bike rides, amusements, gymnastics display, fun fair rides, trampolines, farm animals, bouncy castle, refreshments etc

Funded by Gateshead's Aiming High for Disabled Children Programme

Active Kids



The 'Active Kids 09' promotion from Sainsbury's supermarket has now drawn to a close and so far we have managed to collect somewhere in the region of 5,000 vouchers! If you may have any more lying around the house, lost in the bottom of a handbag etc, do please gather them up and post them in the box outside Mr Armstrong's classroom. As always your support with this campaign has been fantastic, thank you!