

Weekly Newsletter

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Beehive Club

The Beehive Club which provides quality affordable childcare provision before and after school is now situated in the Lifelong Learning Centre in front of 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:

Year 1: Joseph Fleming Class 1L Year 2: Mert Ergisi Class 2AW
Year 3: Olivia Brewis Class 3R Year 4: Sophie Prest Class 4A
Year 5: Charlotte Wales Class 5SB Year 6: Jade Pharoah Class 6A
Well done to you all, we are very proud of you.



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

Attendance: This week's attendance awards were presented to Class 1L in Key Stage 1 who achieved a fantastic 100% attendance rate for week ending Friday 9 September and to Class 5SB (also with a super 100%) in Key Stage 2. Overall attendance for the school was 96.90% - an excellent start to the new school year everyone!



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Attendance



We were delighted with last week's overall attendance rate of 96.90% which exceeded our school target figure of 95%.

This bodes well for the future and we hope that we can maintain this impressive start. Next week our new Reception children start full time and we look forward to helping them build on their nursery experience.

A reminder that if your child is absent from school for any reason, please ring the General Office so details can be passed on to the class teacher. Unexplained absences and holidays exceeding ten days in any one school year are classed as 'unauthorised' and will be followed up and if necessary referred to our Education Welfare Officer, Alison Harris.

Dates for the Diary

Mon 26-Wed 28 Sep:	Y6 residential visit
Fri 30 Sep:	Coffee morning for Nursery parents
Fri 7 Oct:	Coffee morning for Reception parents
Tues 11 Oct:	School photographer
Tues 18 Oct:	Autumn discos
Tues 8 / Wed 9 Nov:	Parent consultations
W/c Mon 14 Nov:	Anti-Bullying Week
W/c Mon 28 Nov:	Book Fair
Fri 2 Dec:	Christmas Fayre
Tues 6 Dec:	FS Nativity
Wed 7 Dec:	KS1 Christmas production
Thurs 15 Dec:	Christmas grand raffle draw



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Special date for Year 6 children

Key Stage 2 SATs week

begins

Monday 14 May 2012

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School Photographer



The school photographer will be visiting on Tuesday 11 October and we have arranged once again for individual and family photographs to be taken. Due to the limited time available on the day, family photographs will only be of children who are currently in attendance at Dunston Hill. Further details will be sent home in due course.

Curriculum Overviews

New curriculum overviews outlining the work to be covered by the children in each respective year group this term will be sent home on Monday. We hope that you find them informative.



Year 2 Visit



Ahoy there me hearties!

Year 2 had a terrifyingly wonderful day this week at Hartlepool Maritime Experience. They battled with Pirates, fired cannons and lived the life of a real young sailor. To top it all they scrambled the rigging to heady heights. What a true seafaring adventure.

School Admissions

A reminder to our current Nursery parents that the closing date for returning application forms for next year's Reception group intake is Sunday 15 January 2012.



Dukeshouse Wood



The week after next our Year 6 children will be embarking upon their annual residential visit to Dukeshouse Wood Centre, near Hexham, from Monday through to Wednesday. They will be participating in a variety of challenging and enjoyable activities and we are sure that the visit will prove as memorable as in previous years.

Sport

Football: Well done to those Year 6 children who attended last night's trial for the school football team. The standard was good and Mr Armstrong was very impressed with the children's enthusiasm and sporting behaviour. A second trial for the same children has been arranged for next Thursday again after school. Thereafter, a squad of players will be selected to represent Dunston Hill in the first set of 7-a-side league fixtures against other neighbouring schools.



Netball: Mrs Cox and Miss Baud will be organising the first netball practice for year 6 children after school on Tuesday.

Gymnastics: Our gymnastics club takes place after school on Mondays. There are still a few spaces for any interested boys from Year 2 upwards. Any parent who would like their son to attend should see our coach, Julie Brydon, on Monday at the end of school in the hall.



Karate: A reminder that our karate club operates on Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 5-6.30pm in the school hall and is open to any of our children. If you are interested in joining do go along to see the instructor, Brian Taylor-Allen.

Zumba classes for children are taking place in St Nicholas' Church Hall starting on Monday 26 September (4-7 yr olds) and Tuesday 27 (8-12 yr olds). All classes are £3.00. To book a place contact Stephanie on 07927363861 or email stefzumbaparty@live.co.uk.

Music Tuition

There are a few places for any key stage 2 children who would like to learn to play the keyboard with Mr Goodenough on a Monday afternoon and guitar with Mr McDermid on a Friday afternoon. Please let one of the school office staff know if you are interested.



School dinner menu next week is **Week 3**.

A reminder that as part of our Healthy School programme, we ask that children do not bring chocolate or fizzy drinks in their packed lunches.