

## Weekly Newsletter

If you would like to sponsor our Weekly Newsletter, please see Mrs Hogarth, our School Business Manager, in the General Office.

### School Website

[www.dunstonhillprimary.org.uk](http://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 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:

Reception: Evie Gemmell Class RG      Year 1: Amelia Richardson Class 1L  
Year 2: Nathan Peacock Class 2A/W      Year 3: Ella Harvey Class 3R  
Year 4: Jasmine Wilson Class 4A      Year 5: Harry Cotton Class 55B  
Year 6: Jessica Turnbull Class 6A

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



**Class Awards** this week were presented to Class RG in Key Stage 1 and to Class 6A in Key Stage 2 for their general behaviour at lunchtime.

**Attendance:** This week's attendance awards were presented to Class RC in Reception/Key Stage 1 who achieved 96.30% attendance rate for week ending Friday 21st October and to Class 4D (95.00%) in Key Stage 2. Overall attendance for the school was 92.40% - rather disappointing given that the average for last half term had been 95.30%.



## Dunston Hill Community Primary School



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Coffee Morning every Friday at 9am in our community room. Do come and join us for a cuppa and a chat with your friends.

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### Firework Display



Unfortunately the annual firework display organised for tomorrow night by Monkridge Gardens Residents' Association has been cancelled for health and safety reasons.

### China Visit

Mr Foreman enjoyed a very rewarding cultural exchange visit to China the week before half term including establishing a partnership link with Deqing Experimental School in Zhejiang District. This week he has shared his experiences with the children and talked to them about the education system in China. Our new host school were extremely hospitable and generous and we hope to return the favour sometime in the near future.

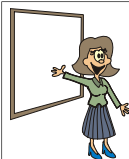


### Christmas Fayre



Our annual **Christmas Fayre** takes place on Friday 2nd December from 3.30-5.00pm in the hall. Please send in donations of bottles, soft drinks, chocolate, toys, teddy bears, books, toiletries etc for our tombola. If any parents are able to get any donations of gift vouchers/prizes from their workplace for raffle prizes we would again be extremely grateful. Any offer of help would also be most welcome. Please see Mrs Cox, our Extended School's Co-ordinator.

## Parent Consultations



We trust that you will have received your appointment date and time for next week's parent consultations on either Tuesday and Wednesday to discuss your child's progress. The gates on Park Terrace will remain open on both evenings and access and exit to and from school is via the main entrance next to the general office.

## Safety

A reminder for obvious safety reasons that no cars should be coming on to the school site to either drop off or pick up children at the beginning or end of the school day. The only exception to this are disabled drivers who have requested special permission from the Headteacher. We also ask that parents and children use the pedestrian path down from Market Lane at all times and the crossing into school.



## Anti-bullying Fortnight



This year's anti-bullying theme is 'Stop and think ... Words can hurt!' The children will be taking part in a range of fun and interesting activities to support their understanding and to promote their awareness. Every class will prepare a song for our special assemblies on Friday 17th November. We hope as always that you will support this important subject and help your child to be aware of the dangers of bullying.

## Road Safety Talk

Next Wednesday the children in our Nursery, Reception and Year 1 classes will receive a special visit from a road safety lady who will talk to them about being safe when crossing our busy roads.



## Poppies



Poppies will be on sale again next week priced at 50p in aid of **Remembrance Sunday** on 13th November.

## Sport

**Football:** Well done to those Year 6 boys and girls who took part in the rescheduled football league fixtures at Lobley Hill last night. The team managed a creditable 0-0 draw with the host school and then bounced back brilliantly, after conceding an early goal to St Philip Neri, to win their second game 3-1. Thank you once again to all those parents who came along in support.



The next five week coaching programme of Football in the Community commences next Wednesday for our Year 3 and 4 children. Letters are available from class teachers for all of those children who are interested in taking part and as always we are looking forward to another good response. The children should remember to bring their trainers in case of inclement weather.

**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:** 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.



## Jars of Grace

This year we are once again supporting St Nicholas' Church **Jars of Grace** appeal in aid of UNICEF's Emergency Fund, which ensures a rapid and effective response to disasters. To support this appeal, all classes will be making their own collections. Please remember to send in any loose change you may have in an envelope marked 'Jars of Grace'.



## 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 15th January 2012.



**School dinner** menu next week is **Week 2**.



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.