

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 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: Ruby Guilfoyle Class RM Year 1: Liam Davies Class 1A
Year 2: Jessie Iredale Class 2M Year 3: Ryan Laws Class 3A
Year 4: Shannon Roberts Class 4D Year 5: Abbie Quinn Class 5R
Year 6: Emily Watson Class 6S

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



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

Attendance: This week's attendance awards were presented to Class 1L in Key Stage 1 who achieved a fantastic 99% attendance rate for week ending Friday 15th October and to Class 3A who also achieved 99%) in Key Stage 2. Overall attendance for the school was 94.5% - let's try after half term for our target of at least 95%.



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School Photographs

Proofs were sent out this week of the photographs taken on 11th October, the proof has a standard message requiring you to order within 10 days. As this falls within the half term holiday we are using 10 school days. This means orders should be returned to school no later than 8th November.



Half Term Holiday

A reminder that we break up today for our October half term holiday. We hope that the weather is fine and the children enjoy the week.



Next half term starts on Monday 31st October and finishes on Friday 16th December.

Christmas Fayre



Our annual Christmas Fayre takes place on Friday 2nd December. Please send in donations of toys, books, unwanted toiletries, gift bags etc. for our tombola. If any parents are unable to get any donations of gift vouchers/prizes from their workplace for raffle prizes we would be extremely grateful. Any offers of help would also be most welcome. Please see Mrs Cox.



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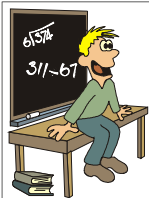


Coffee Morning every Friday at 9am in our community room. Do come and join us for a cuppa and a chat..

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Parent Consultations



A reminder that parent consultations have been arranged for Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th November to discuss the children's progress to date. 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. Your allocated time will be sent out the first Monday after the half term holiday.

Fashion Show

St. Nicholas Church, Dunston, is hosting a fashion show sponsored by British Home Stores, Dorothy Perkins and Wallis on Tuesday 8th November at 7pm. Clothes will be from their new 'Winter Party' range and modelled by ages 2-70 plus so all ages and sizes available. Entrance is £5 which includes a glass of wine and a raffle ticket to win a first prize of a BHS voucher. Many local business have also donated a range of excellent prizes. Refreshments can be purchased in the interval. For further information contact Anna Donohue, chairperson of the social committee.



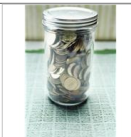
Autumn Discos



Everyone thoroughly enjoyed our Autumn discos on Tuesday night. The DJ, Malcolm, as always proved very popular with the children and he certainly catered for the different age groups.

Jars of Grace

This year we are once again supporting St Nicholas' Church UNICEF collection. Money raised from their Jars of Grace appeal will go towards UNICEF's Emergency Fund, which ensures a rapid and effective response to disasters. To support this appeal, all classes this year are asked to bring in any loose change you may have in an envelope marked 'Jars of Grace'.



Sport

Football: This week was the final week of Y5/6 Community Football. Stephen Pratt Y6 was awarded 'Best Attitude' award. Next half term will be Y3/4—letters will go out first week back and the club will begin week commencing 7th November.



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.

House Captains

Congratulations to the following Year 6 children who have been selected to be house captains in key stage 2 for this year:

Alnwick - Emily Watson and Sean Peareth
Bamburgh - Ellie Cook and Stephen Pratt
Durham - Rebecca May and Adam Dobson
Lambton - Robyn Iredale and Alexander Brown



School Admissions



A reminder to our Year 6 parents that the closing date for returning application forms for secondary school places is 31 October 2011. Forms can be returned to school, directly to the civic centre or you can apply online. Late applications can jeopardise your chance of getting a place in the school of your choice.

Poppies

Poppies will be on sale during the first week back at school after half term priced at 50p in aid of **Remembrance Sunday** on 13th November.



School dinner menu after half term is **Week 1**. There have been some minor changes to the menu, please see the list outside classrooms.



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.