

Dunston Hill Community Primary School



Firework Display



Monkridge Gardens Residents' Association are holding their annual firework display tomorrow night. The bonfire will be lit at 5.30pm and the display will commence at 6pm. Entrance is £1.00 for adults and 50p for children. Refreshments will be available including soup and hot dogs.



SAFETY



For obvious safety reasons **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 request that **parents and children use the pedestrian path down from Market Lane at all times.**

Christmas Fayre



Our annual **Christmas Fayre** takes place on Friday 3rd 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.

Weekly Newsletter

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Book bags are now available from the school office priced at £2.95.



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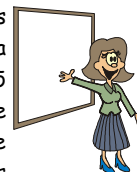
Parent Consultations



We were very pleased with the turn out for this week's parent consultations. We trust that they were informative and provided a summary of the children's current progress and future targets. The next meetings are scheduled for the spring term.

Business Enterprise Project

Class 5G took their first steps towards following in the footsteps of Sir Alan Sugar on Thursday after the visit of Mrs Atkins, a Business Studies teacher from Emmanuel College. All of Year 5 will be taking part in the project over the next four weeks and we hope to see some developing young entrepreneurs come to the fore during the course of the sessions ... so get your thinking caps on Year 5!



Playground Improvements



During the half term holidays and this week we have had further new line markings installed in the playground to support the children's learning and play. We have also purchased six picnic tables with games on to offer other alternative activities to engage the children at play and lunchtimes. Work is due to start on our new environmental area on Monday and it is hoped that the project will be completed by the beginning of next term.

'Christmas Beanies'

It's that time of year again - we are selling 'Christmas Beanies' in aid of **St Oswald's Hospice**. There are four different beanies to choose from priced at £1.50 each: two snowmen, a santa, and a reindeer.

Poppies



Poppies will be on sale again next week priced at 50p in aid of **Remembrance Sunday** on 14th November.

Sport

Swimming: A reminder that it is now the turn of Class 6S to go swimming on Thursday afternoons at the new Blaydon Pool.



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'.



Music Tuition



Piano/Keyboard/Guitar Lessons

Now available at Windows Music in the Metro Centre (Yellow Quadrant). For more details please contact Andrew Bennett on andabennett@fsmail.net or 07806807136.

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 Saturday 15th January 2011.



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.

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



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: Grace Sutton Class RM	Year 1: Lacey Chatto Class 1S
Year 2: Max Glister Class 2A/R	Year 3: Holly Wright Class 3R
Year 4: Jamie Swinney Class 4A	Year 5: Aimee Blackburn Class 5G
Year 6: Anthony Hodgson Class 6A	

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



Class Awards this week were presented to Class 2S 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 1A in Key Stage 1 who achieved 95.70% attendance rate for week ending Friday 22nd October and to Class 6A (with a fantastic 100%) in Key Stage 2. Overall attendance for the school was 93.40% - rather disappointing given that the average for last half term was 96.40%.

