

## Weekly Newsletter

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### 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 situated in the Lifelong Learning Centre behind the main gates on Market Lane. The Breakfast Club operates from 7.45-9.00am 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: Rhiannon Borley Class RA Year 1: Amy Robinson Class 1T  
Year 2: Charley Anne McKinney Class 2G Year 3: Lydia Pears Class 3R  
Year 4: Kieran Rafferty Class 4C Year 5: Shauna Lewis Class 5S  
Year 6: Libby Brass Class 6S

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



**Class Awards** this week were presented to Class 2A in Reception/Key Stage 1 and to Class 3R in Key Stage 2 for their general behaviour at lunchtime.

**Attendance Award:** This week's attendance awards were presented to Class RA in Reception/Key Stage 1 who achieved 97.20% attendance rate for week ending Friday 30th April and to Class 3R (yet again) and Class 4A jointly with 98.20% in Key Stage 2. Overall attendance for the school was 95.60% - another very good week everyone. Keep it up!



# Dunston Hill Community Primary School

## End of Term Update

As stated in an earlier newsletter, school will now be closing at the end of term one day earlier for the children than originally planned i.e. **Wednesday 21st July**. This is for the occasional day we always have to hold back to the summer term.

## Cartoonist



Yesterday our Year 3 children had the pleasure of working with cartoonist Paul Slattery. He shared with the children examples of his work including a giant caricature of Alan Shearer which earned him a place in The Guinness Book of Records. He then completed random caricatures of various staff and children and then allowed the boys and girls to experiment themselves. They certainly enjoyed having the opportunity to draw and paint some fun portraits of their friends with some notable success. Next Thursday our Year 1 children will be working with textile artist, Donna Cheshire.

## ExpoChef

On Tuesday we will be hosting another 'appetising' visit from 'ExpoChef', the unique interactive roadshow designed to teach audiences of all ages the benefits of healthy eating. All of our children will watch a demonstration chef entertain them in how to create affordable, simple nutritious meals and snacks from fresh produce. The main ingredient is of course FUN!



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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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## Year 5 Visit



Next Friday Year 5 will be visiting Newburn Sports Centre to take part in activities relating to their 'Healthier than Henry' topic. The children will get the opportunity to develop new skills in climbing, archery and orienteering through specialist coaching and maybe even develop an affinity for a new sport! Please remind your child to bring a healthy packed lunch, waterproof jacket and come to school in suitable sportswear for 8.50am.

## Walk to School Week

As part of our School Travel Plan, we will be taking part in Walk to School Week from 17th-21st May. The children will be involved in a range of initiatives and activities to encourage them to take to foot and walk to school whenever possible.



## Cycle Proficiency



Next Wednesday is the final cycle training session for our Year 5 children when they will be assessed on their knowledge and proficiency. Their instructors have been very impressed with the children's attitude, enthusiasm and progress to date.

## Attendance

A reminder that this term Gateshead Education Welfare Service are offering a special three night break for a family of four to Disneyland Paris. All eligible children will be entered into a prize draw as an incentive for achieving 100% attendance and punctuality between Monday 19th April and Friday 9th July. This is courtesy of Hays Travel. Good luck if you qualify so far!



## Family Maths Learning



Our maths family learning programme starts next Monday afternoon in the community room. The six workshops will include investigating maths patterns, making board games, cooking and lots more. Anyone who would still like to go along should contact Mrs Cox, our extended school co-ordinator.

## Sport

### Provisional dates for sports days:

Mon, 28th June (1.45pm): Reception, Years 1 and 2

Wed., 30th June (1.45pm): Years 3 and 4

Thurs, 1st July (1.45pm): Years 5 and 6

This year we will be holding the sports days on our school field and we hope for better weather than last year.

**Hockey:** Next Tuesday is the last hockey session for those children in Years 3 and 4 who have been working with Mrs Greenwell and Mrs Spencer.

**Tennis:** Class 3G will be having special short tennis tuition next Friday morning (Class 3R are visiting Heworth CLC).

**Swimming:** A reminder that this half-term Class 5A are going swimming on Thursday afternoons at Blaydon Pool. The children will need to remember their swimming costumes (not bikinis) and towels.

**PE Kits:** As we move into the warm weather season please ensure that your child remembers their PE kit on the right days each week. This should include training or sand shoes for outdoor activities.

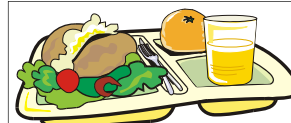


## Active Kids 2010

Our school is once again taking part in the Sainsbury's Active Kids campaign. Last year, with your help, we collected over 5,000 vouchers which we were able to exchange for a range of new PE resources. The scheme this year runs until 8th June 2010 and up until this time you will receive one Active Kids voucher for every £10 you spend at main Sainsbury's stores, including petrol stations and when you shop online at [www.sainsburys.co.uk](http://www.sainsburys.co.uk). There is no limit to how many Active Kids vouchers our school can collect, so we hope that you will spread the word to your family, friends and colleagues so that we can continue to ensure that we provide our children with the latest and most up to date equipment. Our Active Kids collection box is located outside the staffroom in the learning zone.



## School Dinners



A reminder that the price of a school meal is now £1.85 a day or £9.25 a week. Cheques should be made payable to "Gateshead Council".

The school menu for next week is **Week 1**.