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# Newsletter for Parents and Carers: 22/10/21 DENBIGH

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you so much for all your support this term. You and your children have been amazing!

It has been a great half term, children are really settled in school and their behaviour is outstanding. They are loving their character badges and we can really see their enthusiasm in working towards their badges. I would also like to say a big thank you to our DENBIGH AMBASSADORS, they are great role models in our school and they are going above and beyond in helping others.

Thank you so much for all your kind donations of food for our Harvest celebration. These donations have been sent to The Bay Foodbank to help others in our community who are struggling in these hard times. We could not have done this without your support.

I hope you all have a lovely break over the half term and we look forward to working with you and hopefully we will see you all in school soon.

Dr Louise Guthrie Head Teacher

## Dates for the Diary

1st November 2021 - Return to school after half-term break

3rd November 2021 - School Photographer

4th November 2021 - Years 1 - 6 FreeStyle football event (a workshop with a freestyle footballer - top 10 in the world)

8th November 2021 - Year 1 are going to Wallsend park

Heritage Schools Award

12th November 2021 - 30 Year 5 children are going to Churchill for a sports competition

15th - 19th November 2021 - Anti-Bullying Week









15th December 2021 - Year 5 and Year 6 Christmas Parties

16th December 2021 - Year 3 and Year 4 Christmas Parties

17th December 2021 - Last Day of Autumn Term

Over the last few weeks the nursery children have been exploring the changes that occur in autumn by going on a leaf hunt and exploring our autumn tuff trays. They have made their own leaf pictures as well as creating their own autumn wreaths and scarecrows to keep the birds from eating the seeds we are planting next week (but don't worry we will be making our own bird feeders too).

We have begun learning about harvest and why we celebrate this festival by listening to the story of the very helpful hedgehog. We have loved learning our new harvest songs and exploring a range of fruits and vegetables that the farmers have picked especially for us!



In PE, Reception loved playing some of our fun agility games to develop their speed and coordination. Cups and cones, sharks in the water and the new game 'toilet' were firm favourites this week. They are becoming so confident moving in different ways and at different speeds as well as working in teams.



Year 1 have been learning about road safety. We have been making our own road signs and exploring how to be safe through role play.



Last week the Year 2 Dragons set their butterflies free. We have had them in our classroom for two weeks and have loved watching them grow from tiny caterpillars, into their chrysalis and then seeing them emerge into beautiful butterflies.



The Year 2 Dinos loved art week last week and are now pattern experts. They explored regular and irregular patterns before putting what they learned into practice to create lots of different patterns to fill in a hand. Their imaginations were in overdrive and I was particularly impressed with how much care and time they took over perfecting their work.



Year 3 really enjoyed the Worry Wizard workshop today. We learnt about the importance of wellbeing and what to do if we ever feel worried.



Year 4 Elephants have been continuing with their British Inventors DT unit, learning all about reinforced concrete. We were amazed to learn that it's inventor was W.B Wilkinson who was a plasterer from Newcastle! We had great fun trying out various structures to see how reinforcing them made them stronger. We then put our knowledge to the test by trying to build structures from newspaper and tape that would hold a dictionary, some were more successful than others.



Year 4 Giraffes have thoroughly enjoyed their music lessons with Mr Brown. We have been learning new chords and have started to use these to play different tunes, stay tuned for our most recent musical performance!



Year 5 have been learning about Roman Numerals in their Maths lessons. They had to make given numbers using lolly sticks, then answer questions about numbers and

#### dates.



Year 5 and 6 went on a trip to the Theatre Royal to take part in the Children's Bookshow. We watched the famous poet Kwame Alexander perform some of his poetry and discuss his work. He was so enthusiastic and made us all laugh so much! All of the children came away with a copy of Kwame's most recent book and some of us couldn't wait to start reading it! What a great experience.



Year 6 Tigers visited Beamish to take part in a Victorian School workshop. They experienced what a traditional lesson would have been like and learned about the various punishments. We also explored the pit village and the town as well as the farm. There were lots of tired Victorian legs by the end of the day!



We are excited to announce that our new outdoor play equipment will be arriving on 13th December 2021. Here is a sneak preview of some of the new pieces our

children will be able to play on here at Denbigh.



## **IMPORTANT REMINDER**

The deadline for submitting high school applications for September 2022 is 31/10/21. Please ensure you go online at northtyneside.gov.uk/admissions and complete the application for your year 6 child, if you have not already done so.

### CHILDREN IN NEED

Children can come to school on Friday, 19th November 2021 in non-school uniform in exchange for a silver coin.

)GETHER **RAISE MONEY FOR BBC CHILDREN IN NEED** WHAT? Non - Uniform Day! (Please bring in a silver coin) WHEN & WHERE? Friday 19th November Jerbigh Primary