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Newsletter for Parents and Carers: 14/03/22

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are all well and looking forward to the Spring and Summer with better weather and hopefully Covid at bay.

Over the next few weeks we hope to start inviting you all back into school. You have been a great miss, and we are keen to reconnect with you all. We are going to start with our BOOK LOOK sessions at the end of March. These sessions are a lovely opportunity for you to come into school, sit with your child, and for them to show you all their fabulous work and the progress they have made in their exercise books. We will send out letters about this very soon.

Parent consultation sessions will begin the week beginning 22nd March 2022. These will be completed by video link appointment. If you are unable to set up an appointment, please contact the school office and we will ensure that you are able to speak with your child's teacher.

You will also be aware that we are changing our catering provider. We are moving away from North Tyneside Council to a local company called Hutchison Catering. They will start their service with us on the 1st April 2022. Between now and then could you ***please settle your school meals account with the council.***

Hutchisons will use an APP called **APPETITE** for you to order and pay for your meals. We will provide you with detailed information in the next few weeks. In the meantime please check them out on www.hutchisoncatering.co.uk. Please click on the link.

Thank you all for your continued support for our school.

Dr Louise Guthrie
Head Teacher



Nursery children have had a fantastic time as the last of the animals were delivered. It turns out it was a zoo sending them to us! We've spent all week thinking about what they need and looking after them. We made them biscuits, fed them, made them homes and even built them a fire to keep them warm outside. What a busy week we've had!



We have been desperate to try using the basketball hoops in Reception for weeks now. We agreed that if we did amazing learning in our PE session we could have a turn at the end. The children were so excited and some of them managed to accurately throw the ball through the hoop, taking turns and helping their friends. Great resilience when it didn't go to plan as well. Super proud of them.



Year One Polar Bears have loved learning about the 7 continents. They used maps, atlases, fact files and Google Earth to explore each of the continents. They also enjoyed exploring each continent's shape using playdough and a world map jigsaws.



Year 1 Pandas have had a fantastic week learning all about dental hygiene. The children have enjoyed a range of activities and are now confident with language such as 'plaque' and 'cavities'. We used plaque revealing tablets before brushing our teeth and the children are all experts! We are so proud of you. Well done, Panda class!



The Year 2 Dinos created their very own ebooks this week all about Samuel Pepys. They researched different facts about his life and incorporated them into their books along with pictures and a video clip.



To end our computing week, Year 2 Dragons created fire scenes from The Great Fire of London. We drew them ourselves and created short animation films of people fleeing the scene to get away from the fire.



Year 3 Turtles loved doing a science experiment to find out which magnet was the strongest. We were very surprised by the results.



Year 3 Lizards had fun in the sun calculating the perimeter of different parts of our school grounds during maths last week



In Year 4 Giraffes we have been looking at instructional texts and thinking about the importance of imperative verbs. To help with this we went outside the classroom and used a range of equipment to give instructions to our partners, making sure to use imperative verbs and even some adverbs for extra detail!



Year 4 Elephants were showing their brilliant fraction knowledge in maths today. Using their networker skills, they worked together to complete various challenges to solve problems and to find fractions of an amount.



Some of the Year 5 children took part in a 'Trail and Challenge' morning at the Rising Sun country park. The teams had to use their map and orienteering skills to find specific points around the park and record them. ALL of the children were fantastic, put their exploring and networking skills to the test and had a great day. Lots of very tired children on the way back - some just had to have a snooze on the metro! Well done Year 5!



Year 5 Whales have enjoyed being fantastic historians, investigating what the Vikings lived like. They used images of Viking artefacts to infer what their lives were like and what skills they had. The children were fantastic explorers and networkers!



Year 6 Tigers have begun their new genre study in English. They began by reading an extract and interpreting the description to draw the setting. We have thought about what makes a good setting description based on the features used within this extract and are going to be writing our own setting descriptions.



Lions loved their pizza party on Friday afternoon to celebrate their amazing attendance achievements!



REMINDER

Dogs are not allowed on school premises, even if they are being carried.

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who purchased the festive beanies in the run up to Christmas. We raised £148.00 for St. Oswald's Hospice.

We would also like to thank you for the wonderful donations of books that we have received in school. We really do appreciate it.

You are amazing!

COMIC RELIEF DAY - Friday, 18th March 2022

Children are encouraged to wear non-uniform and bring in a silver coin. Red noses are still available to buy from the office for £1.50.



EASTER RAFFLE

We are now welcoming donations for our Easter Raffle. Any donations are greatly appreciated.

Raffle tickets will be on sale from Monday, 21st March until Tuesday, 5th April and are available from your child's class teacher at £1 per strip.

Many thanks!



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Dance Festival (Year 5) - 14th March

Comic Relief Day - 18th March

Hutchinson Catering take over - 1st April

Book Looks - w/c 4th April

Easter Egg Competition (more information to follow) - 6th April

Easter Holidays - Break up Friday 8th April, return to school Monday 25th April.

And finally, here are some photos of your gorgeous children on World Book Day. They looked fantastic!



