

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS

Dear Parents, Carers, Pupils and Friends

DATE: 10th July 2009

Arrangements for Sports Day!

These are the arrangements we have made for this year's sports day:

Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 Sports' Day will be held on Monday, 13th July at 9.30am.

Key Stage 2 Sports' Day will be held on Tuesday, 14th July at 9.30am.

Can children from Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 please bring a drink of water? Key Stage 2 children please bring a bottle of water and a piece of fruit. (Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 children receive fruit from the National Fruit Scheme).

Children should come to school dressed in their PE kit. Both Sports' Days will take place on the school yards. I realise that this is not the ideal place for Sports' Days to be held, however, for reasons of Health and Safety we have no choice. This is because there are no toilet facilities on the school field and also the logistics of walking children up and down Blaydon Bank.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Due to unforeseen circumstances school will be using an INSET day on Tuesday, 8th September 2009.

School will not re-open after the summer holidays until WEDNESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER 2009.

Major refurbishment work is being carried out during the holidays, including replacement of ceilings and decorating of classrooms and corridors, following the completion of major building work.

I am sure you will appreciate that all of the classrooms have to be emptied to carry out this work. We need to ensure that the classrooms are ready for the children to return.

I know I can count on your support as we carry out these refurbishments to improve the learning environment for your children.

This is a really exciting time for Blaydon West Primary School, as we move towards our Centenary, we are still striving to provide a school that is worthy of its place in the 21st Century!

I apologise for any inconvenience this may cause you.

Parents of children starting Reception in September will be contacted next week with details of the arrangements we will be putting in place in respect of Reception children's transition arrangements.

I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO...

invite the parents of our Year 6 children to their Leavers' Assembly on Thursday, 16th July at 2.30pm.

The children are working very hard at the minute preparing for the assembly and would love to have the opportunity to perform their assembly in front of their parents as they prepare to leave our school to start their journey into adulthood.

I am sure you will agree that the children will share many happy memories of their time here, however, this is just the start of another major part of their lives.

Our Year 6 children have been a pleasure to have at Blaydon West and our best wishes go with all of them for the future.



Parents are welcome to join us for coffee and biscuits after the assembly.

ATTENDANCE FIGURES

This week's attendance figures are:

Reception— 87.5%, 1B— 93.8%, 2W— 94.0%, 3L— 82.6%, 4C—91.4%, 5D— 88.2% 6C—96.4% and 6F—97.2%.

The attendance prize was won by Miss Ford's Class. Our whole school attendance is 91.3% which is well below our school target. With your help we will continue to work to improve our attendance

As a reward Miss Ford's will receive 10 minutes free time and will have the attendance rosette, cup and mascot for a week.



MISSING COAT

One of our children has lost a pink coat. Can you please check at home to see if your child has brought it home by accident. Many thanks.

NURSERY BOOK DRAW

This week's Nursery Book Draw was won by Arantxa Armstrong. Well done Arantxa!

This week we raised £9.40 towards new books for the Nursery.

Thank you for your continued support.



CONGRATULATIONS

I would like to offer our congratulations to the following:

Kelvin Thear, Kevin Gofton and Jordan Baines, who took part in a national football competition in Skegness. Their team won the winner's trophy and Kelvin Thear won a trophy for player of the season.



Well done to you all boys. We hope to see you as professional football players in the future!

CONGRATULATIONS ALSO TO...

Our Year 6 girls' football team who took part in a football competition this morning. Despite being a player down the girls succeeded in winning the event!



Excellent news!

SUMMER SPORTS' SCHOOL

If anyone is interested in a Summer Sports' Camp being held at Whickham Comprehensive School and Sports College can they please see Miss Lewin before the end of term.

PARENTS' DROP IN

You will today receive your child's school report. I am sure you will be delighted with the report, however, if you think it necessary to discuss anything with your child's class teacher we will be holding an informal drop in for parents after school on Monday. Can I please stress this is not a formal parents' night; just an opportunity if you have any concerns about the report.

AND FINALLY.....

I can't believe that we are approaching the last week of this school year!

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

