

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS

Dear Parents, Carers, Pupils and Friends

DATE: 13th June 2008

CONGRATULATIONS to.....

Donald Taylor whose artwork has been entered into the final of the Northumbria in Bloom competition!

Well done Donald. Let's hope you are successful in winning a prize!



END OF YEAR REPORTS AND PARENTS' EVENING

Parents will receive their child's individual report on Friday, 11th July.

On Monday, 14th July there will be an opportunity to drop into school to discuss any aspects of the report with the class teacher if you need to.

Any parents who feels they would like to speak to the teacher confidentially is welcome to make an appointment.

More details to follow.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Foundation Stage and KS1 Sports Day will be held on Tuesday, 15th July in the morning.

KS2 will be held on Wednesday, 16th July in the morning.

Further details to follow soon.



Occasional Day—18th July. The children will, therefore, finish school at 3.20pm on Thursday, 17th July.

SALVATION ARMY VISIT BY YEAR 5 CHILDREN

Following the visit by Year 5 to the local Salvation Army an article by some of our children has been published in Kids Alive.

Kaylin Walker said " *We went because we did a topic on The Salvation Army and what they do. We got to play games, be like spies and crack codes and play a tambourine*"

Chloe McCoy said " *It was good because we had fun while we learned what The Salvation Army can do to help the homeless and other people who need help. I got to be Agent Cobweb and solved puzzles. We also played music—it was so funny. We had a great time!*"

If you would like to see the entire article it is on display on the wall just outside of the school office.

LUNCHTIME GAMES CLUB

We have employed an additional lunchtime supervisor, Marion Stead, to organise games at lunchtime. During the summer months Mrs Stead will be organising team games with children from both key stages. The children are thoroughly enjoying this.

Next term Mrs Stead will be organising craft activities and a board game club for children on a rota basis.

HMI MONITORING VISIT

The school is having its second monitoring inspection by HMI next Thursday and Friday. Can I please ask parents to ensure children arrive in school on time and that they come to school in full school uniform.

Once the findings have been verified by OFSTED I will let you know the outcome of the visit.

SCHOOL UNIFORM ORDERS

Can I remind parents that it is time to start thinking about what items of uniform you require for your children for September.

If you wish to place an order you can pick up a form from the Grey Information Stand in the main Reception area.

Alternatively, items of uniform can be purchased from other retail sources.

If you require any information about uniform requirements please do not hesitate to call into school and ask at the school office.

Uniform orders must be paid for before items can be ordered.

As we have changed our supplier the school will no longer have uniform items for sale in school.

A LITTLE MESSAGE FROM MRS MCGUIRE AND RECEPTION!

SANDWICHES FOR SALE

On Monday, 16th June the Reception children will be selling sandwiches to Nursery and Key Stage 1 children. The children have:

- written lists,
- purchased ingredients
- priced the sandwiches (20p and 30p)
- produced the sandwiches

Please support the children in this venture to make this project a real life experience for them!



ATTENDANCE FIGURES

This week's attendance figures are:

Reception— 93.3%, 1B— 95.4%, 2L-89.3%, 3R- 96.9%, 4O-88.9%, 5JC—94.3%, 5KC— 97.3%, 6D— 90.0 % and 6F— 90.0%

The attendance prize was won by Mr Cradock's class. Our whole school attendance is 92.8% which below our school target of 95%. We will continue to monitor the situation to improve our attendance.

VISIT BY YEAR 3 TO ARBEIA ROMAN FORT

As promised last week we have a recount written by Kelsey Parker. We hope you enjoy it.

"On a warmish day on 6th June 2008, we visited Arbeia. It is a roman fort, located in South Shields. The approximate time we got there was 10.20ish.

Firstly, we put our bags down, then a roman man called Julius told us about Roman lives. He took us to a small room and showed us his uniform and the weapons that the Roman army had. We were told that girls drank the sweat of boys. Roman language was Latin and their money was called dinari.

Then we went to a place called the Time Quest. A lady called Hayley let us dig up lots of artefacts so whilst we were there we became more intelligent.

After our lunch we went to the slave market. I got to be a citizen who buys slaves.

It was a very exciting day and we learned many new things."



AND FINALLY...

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend!

PAULA BAILEY
Head Teacher