

NEWSLETTER - Week ending 17th February 2023 - Edition no. 9

Notices/reminders

INSET day

Just to remind you that our next INSET day is scheduled for 27th February.

Admissions policy consultation for September 2024 – please read and respond if you wish to raise something about the updates to this policy, by Tuesday 28th February. Details about how to respond on the attached letter.

Dates for your diary

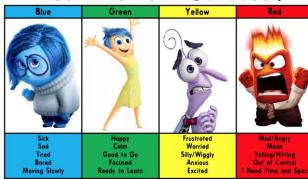
Spring 2	
27 th February	INSET DAY – Teacher training day
2 nd March	World Book Day – Dress up as your favourite book character
Sunday 5 th March	Parkrun – Whitley Chapel staff supporting
6 th March	Visit from Pete the Poet – all day workshops for whole school
w/b 6 th March	Visit to library and Cogito bookshop in Hexham
16 th March	Mother's Day service – all welcome – this date has changed - it is now Thursday @ 2:30pm
17 th March	Comic Relief fundraising event
w/b 27 th March	Parent's evening week
30 th March	Easter Service – all welcome

Zones of Regulation

The 15th February session

It was lovely to have parents join the training session alongside staff. There will be a further session next term for those who could not make this one starting at 6pm on either the Tuesday or Wednesday of the third week back (13th March). A date will be confirmed asap.

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Proud Pegs

The number of these being awarded has doubled since last half term, and a lot of them are coming from the children themselves being proud of something they have done both in or outside of school.

It is such a privilege every Wednesday morning to hear from the children what they have been up to, or might have set themselves as a challenge week on week.

Those that have received Proud Peg certificates also get their name on a starred peg and displayed in the Hall. On the right are our Spring 1

Proud Pegs.

During this week's awards we opened with the School Council receiving their badges which they are wearing with pride. They are a dynamic group with lots of ideas for school improvement, and we'll have an update for you in the next edition.

Alongside our Proud Pegs we have also had a number of children in **Class 2** receiving their 100 Reads vouchers — very well done to all of those!!! It is a great achievement but also shows how much they read because they enjoy it as some of those awarded were receiving a second or third voucher!!!

Class 1 have been enjoying getting stickers for every 5 Reads recorded in their Reading Records, with the aim of getting 5 stickers within a half term and receiving a Lucky Dip voucher.

We have just purchased some new books called **Rhino Readers** which dovetail with our Phonics programme meaning that we can more closely match specific books to the phonics being taught week on week.

Keeping on the Reading theme – we have **World Book Day 2nd March** which kick starts our week of Literacy themes activities. More details will follow in the first week but there is a request for some reading volunteers on the back page.

Rock Steady Session

The wonderful Will came into school last
Thursday to entertain the children and staff
and enthrall them about musical tuition. The
children were thrilled to see staff members
taking on band roles and playing a tune for
them at the end.

This introductory session has certainly captured the children's imaginations and they have been asking about when lessons might start. At the moment we are being guided by Rock Steady as they are trying to secure another school in the area so that they can plan staffing accordingly.



School meals - Spring 2

We will publish the updated menus within the first week back.

Sponsored Dance-a-thon

Thank you to everyone who was able to support this event. All had good fun. If your child wasn't able to attend they can perhaps have their own Dance-a-thon at home and still be sponsored.



Please send all sponsor money in by the end of the first week back. Thank you



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Spring 2 Breakfast and After School Clubs

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