




# Newsletter



Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2022



	<i>Pupils Involved</i>	<i>Event</i>
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Whole school	Music with Mr Burns.
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Whole school	PE After school clubs - finish at 4pm.
	Whole school	Forest School session outdoors.
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Whole school	Class photographs. Elvis - therapy dog to visit.
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Whole school Reception & Class 1	Gardening club at lunchtime. Swimming - need swimming kit (costume /trunks, goggles and a towel in a bag)
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	 A special fundraising day (ParentPay is set up ready for your donations) We can all wear something red.	
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Whole school	Music with Mr Burns.
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Whole school Reception	PE After school clubs - finish at 4pm. Forest School session - outdoors.
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Class 2 Tag-rugby festival at Wark Primary School.	
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Reception & Class 1	Swimming - need swimming kit (costume /trunks, goggles and a towel in a bag)
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> March		



Please contact our school office as soon as possible if your child is absent– thank you.

## What are we doing in our classrooms this week...?

**Reception Topic** - What A Wonderful World **Book of the week**- Bog Baby

**Communication and Language** - We will listen to our book of the week and describe some events in the story in detail..

**Personal and Social Development** - We will talk about how the sisters in the story didn't tell Mum the truth and the consequences of this.

**Physical Development** - In PE, we will work on multiskills with Mr.Ellison and we will work in our outdoor area using small and large equipment and we will go swimming . We will continue to work on developing our handwriting.

**Literacy**- Following our Read, Write Inc phonics programme we will continue to practise reading words with the digraphs sh, ch, th, ng, nk, ee, oo, ay and igh and we will introduce "ow". We will be reinforcing tricky words that we have learnt so far and will learn the new word "he". We will write sentences to make a class book of the adventures of Bog Baby.

**Mathematics**- We will work on ways to make 10 and we will go shopping with 10 coins.

**Understanding the World** - Children will create a habitat in the woods for the Bog baby to live in.

**Expressive Arts and Design** - We will continue with our music session with Mr Burns and we will learn Farmer Pete`s number bond song.

Class 1.English: Our core text this half term is '10 Things I can do to Help my World by Melanie Walsh'. This week we will be looking at the book 'Dear Greenpeace' and finding out all about Greenpeace. We will be writing letters to Emily pretending to be Greenpeace. Our focus is handwriting of common exception words.

Maths: Our topic is fractions. Year 2 will be learning how to create equal parts using objects. Year 2 will be continuing to identify and recognise  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a shape and  $\frac{1}{3}$  of shapes Year 1 will be identifying a  $\frac{1}{4}$  of shapes and numbers.

Science: Our topic this half term is living things and habitats. We will be learning about micro- habitats and which animals live in micro- habitats. We will be exploring our forest school area looking for micro- habitats and exploring minibeasts.

Geography- Our topic this half term is hot and cold countries. This week we will be learning all about Africa and focusing on Kenya. We will be creating our own information books about Kenya. If your child would like to share places that they have visited around the world or if they have family who live in different places of the world they can bring pictures in (you could also send them to me on Class Dojo).

Art- Our topic this half term is exploring the artist Henri Rousseau and animal art. This week we will be looking at African sunsets and creating our own African sunset using animals and pastels.

R.E: Our topic is Easter. We will be learning all about the Easter story and sequencing the Easter story.

PE: This half term we will be doing tag rugby and athletics. We will also be swimming on a Thursday.

Computing: Our topic this half term is animation. We will be exploring what animation is and looking at how this is created. We will be learning how to design a character.

PSHE: Our topic is being healthy. This week our focus is on diversity and how they are different and individuality should be celebrated. We will be learning different ways on how to keep healthy.

Music: We will be playing instruments and learning all about finding the beat.

How to help at home: Can you retell the Easter story?

Class 2: *English* - This week in English we are going to be making information leaflets about different animals from the story. We will be considering how the animals feel to have Roz on the island and doing some acting to portray this. We will then be making a robot's log of her findings on the island. We will be focusing on our punctuation this week also.

*Maths* - Year 3 and 4 will be doing lots of work on finding fractions of a set of objects this week. Year 3 will also be working on fractions on a number line and Year 4 will be recapping tenths and doing some problem solving also. Year 5 are going to be working on comparing and ordering fractions both smaller and larger than 1 before moving on to adding and subtracting fractions.

*Science* - This week we will be working on classifying animals in further groups such as vertebrates and invertebrates. Year 5 will continue their work on life cycles by learning about animal reproduction.

*Topic* - We are going to be learning about various rivers in India this week and will use a map to find some of these.

*RE* - We are going to be creating storyboards about the Garden of Gethsemane.

*Art* - We continue learning about Indian art by finding out about Henna and Mehndi patterns.

*PE* - Rugby skills with Mr Ellison.

*Computing* - Considering the information we put online.

*Helping at Home* - This week we are going to be considering our favourite stories before we start writing book reviews. Can you discuss your favourite stories at home and which parts in particular make this a good story?



### **Children's Cancer Run Newcastle**

- 15th May 2022
- Newcastle Racecourse, Gosforth Park

The Children's Cancer Run as we know and love it will be back in 2022!

We can do this together and will begin our training after the Easter holidays.

**Runner entries are open - early bird rate available now if you apply before the end of March!**

All families have been given a leaflet today - look out for it in bags.



Elvis – the therapy dog will be visiting us on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March.

### *School photographs*

*We will be having class/group photographs taken on Wednesday this week.*



## Lunch time gardening.

We are delighted to be able to announce the start of gardening club with Pat and Edwin Wilkinson.

We intend to do this in our own playground and create a wellbeing area with some sensory plants and seating.

Planters have been ordered and our soil was delivered today.

Pat and Edwin will come on Thursday during lunchtime and we'll work out a rota system to enable everyone to join in who wants to.

If you have any spare seeds, plants or gardening tools - we'd very happily accept them. Thank you.



We'll be wearing something red on Friday to join in with this national fundraising event.

Please donate , if you can, by using our ParentPay pages. Thank you.



Our Charity box is in school thanks to the organisation of Aubrey to gather donations for Ukrainian families. We talked about giving things that would make children happy and so far have sweets, cuddly toys and colouring books. Thank you.