



Newsletter



Monday 28th September 2020



Healthy eating week

	Pupils Involved	Event
Monday 28th September <i>'Eat more wholegrains'</i>		
Tuesday 29th September <i>'Vary your veg!'</i>	Whole school PE with Mr Ellison. Children come to school in their PE kit - no need to change. Plain, dark tracksuit bottoms/shorts and school PE t-shirt with a school jumper. Trainers. Class 2 : After school club. Finish at 4pm	
Wednesday 30th September <i>'Drink Plenty'</i>	Reception	Forest School - joggers and wellies please.
Thursday 1st October <i>'Move More'</i>		
Friday 2nd October <i>'Be mind kind'</i>	Whole school	'Fun Friday' ... We will be walking for Mental health awareness day, wear something yellow! £2 donation for the charity.(via ParentPay)
	Reception	Forest school.
Monday 5th October		
Tuesday 6th October	PE - come to school in PE kit.	
Wednesday 7th October	Reception	Forest school
Thursday 8th October		
Friday 9th October	Whole school	'Fun Friday' ... Wear something spotty!
	Reception	Forest school.



Please contact school as soon as possible if your child is absent – thank you.
For the safety of all children - please inform school directly if there are any changes to your child's home time arrangements – thank you.

What are we doing this week?

Reception Topic - Where am I ? **Book of the week**- Alphonse, There's Mud on the Ceiling! by Daisy Hirst

Personal and Social Development- *Can play in a group, extending and elaborating play ideas, e.g. building up a role-play activity with other children.* Children work with their peers to develop and create their own role play stories.

Communication and Language - *Uses language to imagine and recreate roles and experiences in play situations.* Children develop their own role play and stories.

Physical Development - *Shows increasing control over an object in pushing, patting, throwing, catching or kicking it.* PE with Mr. Ellison.

Literacy - *Gives meaning to marks they make as they draw, write and paint.* Children make marks and draw pictures of what they are creating or the stories they are making. *Links sounds to letters, naming and sounding the letters of the alphabet.* Children learn the letter sounds d, t and i.

Mathematics- *Counts objects to 10, and beginning to count beyond 10.* Children complete a range of counting activities through their play. Children count with compare bears matching the correct number to the number of spots.

Understanding the World - *Knows some of the things that make them unique, and can talk about some of the similarities and differences in relation to friends or family.* Children talk about themselves and draw picture of themselves engaging in their favourite activities with their best friends, siblings, pets or special toy.

Expressive Arts and Design - *Constructs with a purpose in mind, using a variety of resources.* Children construct their own role-play areas, small world, constructions and imagined places.

Class 1 :

English- Our core book for this half term is 'Claude in the city'. This week we are creating our own art gallery guides for Claude. We will also be doing 'hot seating' and writing questions about the robbery that has taken place in the book.

Maths- Place value: Year 1 will be ordering numbers and objects. They will also be learning about ordinal numbers. Year 2 will be counting in multiples of 2,5 and 10 forwards and backwards.

Topic/ Geography-This week we are using a map and compass points to help us to navigate from one London landmark to the other. If children have been to London and have photos please could you send me them on class dojo so we can share them in class.

Science- This week we will be going on an autumn walk around school looking for signs of autumn. We will be collecting lots of different coloured leaves and creating some autumn artwork.

Art- We will be learning all about primary and secondary colours. We will be mixing primary colours to create secondary colours using a colour wheel.

R.E- We are learning about special religious ornaments and creating our own special ornaments using clay.

Computing- We will be drawing animals using the paint app and looking at how to create different backgrounds.

P.E- Ball skills and games with Mr Ellison.

Music- We will be sharing and singing our favourite songs.

How to help at home- continue to read 3 times a week. Learn spellings and complete Maths homework which is on class dojo. Go on an autumn walk and see how many signs of autumn you can find.

Class 2

English - this week we will be continuing to read 'The Pebble in my Pocket'. We will be making posters about what we have learnt about the Earth's history so far and looking further into different periods of time.

Maths - continuing our Number and Place Value topic, we will be learning about Roman Numerals this week. Year 3 will also be working on counting in 50s and Year 4 will be counting in 25s. We will again be focussing on improving our times tables.

Science - furthering our knowledge on rocks by learning about fossils.

Topic - as part of our topic on the United Kingdom, we will be furthering our knowledge by learning about different counties with a particular focus on Northumberland.

RE - we will be thinking about how Buddhism started with the Four Noble Truths.

Art - continuing our focus on British Art by looking into Lucien Freud and then learning how to do portraits.

PE - games with Mr Ellison

French - we will again practice our numbers 1-10 and begin to learn introductions and basic conversation.

Helping at home - please continue to read with your child at least three times a week at home. I have posted this weeks spellings on Class Dojo so practice with these would be great.

Every week we have a 'prize draw' for those children who have collected their Golden Ticket by reading at least 3 times at home.



Well done : Aidan
Codie
Harry S

YOUNG Mi MINDS

On Friday we will be taking part in a charity walk to support mental health in young people, something we are particularly conscious of during these tricky times.

As part of our 'Fun Friday' we ask that all children make a donation of £2 and wear something yellow. The Middle school will be doing the same event (as a sponsored walk) and the Hexham Courant have our story details to include in this week's newspaper.

We will be outside on the field and our school grounds – in our bubbles, so hopefully the weather will be kind.

You will need to activate your 'Parentpay' account to donate to this charity event. Details were sent home in a letter with children on Friday. Please let us know if you need it re-sent.



Football

Mr Ellison has offered to run an after school football activity for Class 2 children on Tuesdays. Please complete and return the permission slip that your child will have with them - thank you.

We hope that this activity will be 'allowed' to continue but will keep you updated with any changes.

In light of the current restrictions there have been some changes to plans for Hallowe'en this year. This sounds like a fun activity to take part in from the safety of your own home.



'Friends of Bellingham Primary' : This is our PTA group who have decided to hold an on-line meeting this Friday at 2pm. We'd love to have you join in and be a part of some of our school activities. Please let us know if you'd like the link to join the meeting (school, Sarah Dobson or Laura Graham) Thank you.

There are changes to the COVID rules on an almost weekly basis and we all share the same frustrations with the lack of clarity in some areas.

We will continue to do our best to make sure staff, children and visitors to school are as safe as they can be.

We ask that you continue to observe and respect the new restrictions as best you can.

Thank you.