



March 2017 Newsletter

*All children and young people have a right to a primary education...
Young people should be encouraged to reach the highest level of education they are capable of.
(Article 28, United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child)*

Lent

We are in the season of Lent when we prepare for Easter through fasting, praying and giving to the poor. We will have a variety of opportunities for the children to take part in such activities over this half term. Please encourage your child to take part.

Friday 24th March – RED NOSE DAY – Dress in Red Day! Children can come into school dressed in red & pay 50p to Comic Relief. We will also hold a talent show during the day so that the children can show off whatever talent they have!

*Children's education... should encourage children to respect others, human rights and their own and other cultures. It should also help them learn to live peacefully, protect the environment and respect other people...
(United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child)*



CAFOD Fast Day

Thank you to all who attended our coffee afternoon. We raised an amazing £110.90. The children brought in their 2p pieces & we have nearly filled the world. Please encourage them to keep bringing them in. Thank you.

Sunderland Empire - Gangsta Granny Visit

We are wanting to give you advance notice that we have booked Year 2 to 6 visit to see Gangsta Granny at the Sunderland Empire on 12th May. We are aware that some of you were looking at booking this yourselves so thought we would tell you now. More details to follow.



Year 5/6 Windmills Engineering Project at Beamish Museum - 1st Weekend in July

Free bus for ALL families to Beamish for that weekend

Again, we thought we'd give you advance notice of this. Our Class 3 children are going to be taking part in an engineering project sponsored by Beamish Museum on Windmills. The designs from schools will be exhibited there during the 1st weekend in July. As part of the funding for the project, they will provide a bus to Beamish for free for **ALL** families at our school. You would only have to pay an entrance fee of £6 per person. More details will follow, but we thought that we'd give you advance notice of the date in case you are interested in going.

**THIS NEWSLETTER IS AVAILABLE IN LARGE PRINT FORMAT -
PLEASE CONTACT SCHOOL OFFICE IF NEEDED.**

School Website

Please be aware that all of the important school dates so far are on our website, including *next year's holidays*.

Year 6 and SATs

Just a reminder to please support your child in their regular revision by giving them a quiet space to concentrate and ensuring they get plenty of sleep. The SATs tests take place quite quickly after the Easter holidays, so Mrs. Charlton will be providing a special revision set of work for them to work on over the holidays. Please encourage them to do a little bit most days, so that they don't forget what they have learned.

They'll soon be over & the 'fun' lessons will begin again

World Book Day - Thank you to all who took part. It was a fun day.

Accessibility to our School

We are currently updating our school accessibility plan regarding access to our school building and school information for people with disabilities or needs. If you have any comments that you would like us to consider, please contact school by Friday 24th March.

Thank you.

Parents' Evening

We will be holding parents' evening on Thursday 16th March between 3.30pm & 5.30pm.

If there is something you need to talk to the teacher about that would take longer than the 5 minutes allotted, then please try to arrange a meeting on an alternative day.

Please contact school to arrange an appointment if you have not already done so.



Don't forget
Parents'
Evening!



For Cafod during Lent the children are collecting loose change for the 'Little Fish, Big Fish' appeal. Each class are competing to see who can collect the most money.

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Dates for the Diary - all dates are available on our school website

- 14th March - Years 1 & 2 at football festival in school time
- 15th March - Class 1 take part in 'bikeability' classes in school time
- 16th March - Children take part in a skipping workshop in school time
3.30pm - Parents' evening - please make an appointment!
- 17th March - Class 1 Assembly about St. Patrick's Day Assembly - all welcome!
- 22nd March - Class 1 take part in 'bikeability' classes in school time
- 24th March - Red Nose Day - children dress in red for 50p.
- 29th March - Class 1 take part in 'bikeability' classes in school time.
- 31st March - Friends of the School Easter Coffee Afternoon at 2pm.
- 4th April - 9.15am - End of Term Mass - all welcome!

Friday 7th April - BREAK UP FOR THE EASTER HOLIDAYS!

Return to school on Monday 24th April.