



## BROOMHAUGH C OF E FIRST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 15 NOVEMBER 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been about showing support and solidarity for a number of worthy causes. On Monday we acknowledged Armistice Day by sharing in a 2 minute silence. The children were very respectful and thought about the people who have given their lives to protect us, the families left behind and the hope for peace around the world for our futures. Thank you to everyone who donated and bought poppy merchandise, a poppy wreath on behalf of our school was laid at the village memorial.

We had a wonderful day supporting Children in Need today thanks to plans put in place by the school council. The children looked fabulously spotty with some really wacky outfit choices – fantastic. We enjoyed spotty cakes and biscuits as well as getting active for the 'Big Move'. Thank you everyone for the kind donations for such an amazing cause.

This linked in beautifully with our anti-bullying week this week. In Reception class the children created a friendship rocket and talked about how to build good friendships. In Year 1/2 the children shared some social stories linked to friendships and relationships and discussed what kindness is. This linked to their work in PSHE around respecting the rights of others. In Year 3/4 the children watched the Primary video from the Anti-bullying Alliance website and clarified their definition of bullying. They talked about the theme of 'Change starts with us' and listed all the different ways that were mentioned in the video e.g. Change starts with.....a smile....friendship...care...respect....kindness.....including everyone.... a compliment. The children worked with friends to make posters to encourage others to see that it is the small things that we all do that can make a big difference!

Have a lovely weekend.

*J. Ainsley S Gray*

Miss Ainsley & Mrs Gray  
Executive Head Teacher  
Executive Deputy Head Teacher



### Loving learning at Broomhaugh this week





## The Secret Garden

We spent Monday making a poppy out of things we have found in our secret garden and in the other outdoor areas around school. After a very exciting bird feeder delivery we have spent the rest of the week making and placing the feeding stations and feeding the birds in our secret garden.



## Walking bus:

Thank you to Myla's mum and the families involved with the walking bus this morning.

The group are setting up a group message to communicate the plans for walking to school as **this is no longer a school led initiative.**

Please speak to either Kate (Jessica's mum), Petra (Hannes), Paula (Anna) or Laura (Myla) if you want to know more. Please remember if there is a large group or your child may not listen to the volunteers we ask you to stay with the walking bus and not leave your child if you have any concerns.

*Diary dates are printed on the next page.....new dates will be added in red so please check each week for any events/activities involving your child's year group or the whole school.*

## Diary Dates:

Date	Event	Notes
<b>PLEASE BE AWARE NORTHUMBERLAND'S HALF TERM IS DIFFERENT TO SOME OTHER LOCAL AUTHORITIES</b>		
Monday 18 November	Road Safety Week	
Tuesday 19 November	Christmas Pudding Stir Up	
Friday 22 November	PTA Disco 5pm – 6:30pm	Extended deadline for forms Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> Nov
Thursday 28 November	Y4 Project Bones – with Durham University	Consent forms to office please
Tuesday 3 December	Reception Class visit to Chopwell Woods	Further information to follow
Wednesday 4 December	PTA Meeting	8pm @ The Welly
Tuesday 10 December	The Holly & The Ivy Roadshow 2pm	
Wednesday 11 December	Operation Encompass parent drop in session 3:15 – 4:00	Optional opportunity to speak to PC Donnison regarding Operation Encompass
Friday 13 December	Christmas Jumper Fundraiser Day and School Christmas Lunch	Charity fundraiser
Monday 16 December	Pupils Rehearsal for Nativity (9:00am – 10:30am) Y3 & Y4 Christmas Party (pm)	St James Church Further information to follow.
Tuesday 17 December	Christmas Nativity Performances 2pm and 6pm @St James Church – All Welcome	Further information to follow.
Wednesday 18 December	Y1 & Y2 Christmas Party (pm)	Further information to follow.
Thursday 19 December	Reception Class Christmas Party (pm)	Further information to follow.
Friday 20 December	Christmas Pantomime Big Foot – Rapunzel being performed at Corbridge First School	No cost to families – Bus and show paid by PTA fundraising.
<b>School closes at 3.15pm on Friday 20 December for the Christmas break. School will reopen for children on Tuesday 7 January 2020.</b>		
Tuesday 24 December	Crib Service @ St James Church 'The Christmas Story and Carols' 4pm	All families welcome
Monday 6 January	School Closed Teacher Training Day	
Tuesday 7 January 2020	Welcome Back to this New Year	
Friday 31 January	PTA Film Night	Further information to follow
Saturday 8 February	PTA Spring Social @ Parish Hall	Further information to follow
Thursday 13 February	PTA Cake & Uniform Sale	Further information to follow
Friday 3 April	PTA Break the Rules Day	Further information to follow
Sunday 17 May	Greggs Cancer Run	Further information to follow
Friday 22 May	PTA Cake & Uniform Sale & Non Uniform Day	Further information to follow
Saturday 6 June	PTA Summer Social	Further information to follow

### Year 3/4 swimming dates –Autumn Term 2019 – Wednesdays – 5 lessons left this term

	20 and 27 November	4, 11 and 18 December
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