



BROOMHAUGH C OF E FIRST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 27 SEPTEMBER 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

In school this week we have been thinking about harvest and those who may not be lucky enough to have enough food. We have reflected on what it means to be greedy and the children really impressed us with their thoughtfulness and understanding. There has been the sound of recorders ringing round the school this week (and at home too we are guessing!) as our music lessons began in Years 1-4 this week. If the children would like to practise at home, you can access what they have been using on YouTube by searching for Recorder Tutor Plus 1. Please can you ensure your child brings their recorder in to school every Wednesday.

We had a visit from the Aladdin creative writing competition organisers to talk to the children about what they could do for this – closing date for the competition is 21st October.

With climate change so prominent in the news at the moment, we have started to think about how we can include working on the Sustainable Development Goals within our learning. Our Eco-Council also met with Councillor Anne Dale to discuss upcoming projects for our school.

We look forward to extra-curricular clubs starting next week, all parents/carers should have received an email to say which clubs your child has been allocated a place in. Reception have received their book trust packs which are given to Reception aged children to help support a love of reading and sharing books – we hope you all enjoy the story!

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



Walk to School Month

The month of October is walk to school month and we will be encouraging as many people to join us in walking wherever possible. If you need to come in a car, maybe you could park further along and walk part of the way. We also have events planned for the month (more information to follow) including 'Happy Shoes' day on Tuesday 1st October.

Walking Bus

We would love to get the walking bus back up and running on a Friday morning and we are looking for parent/carer volunteers to lead this, so far we have only had one volunteer. During Walk to School Month (October) staff will lead this for the 3 Fridays but if it is to continue beyond that we really need more volunteers. The pick-up points would be the same:

8:20 Broomhaugh Seat

8:30 Corner of 'The Wellie' on the grass (Bobby's Side)

8:35 Millfield Road (just past the parish hall)

8:40 Meadow Park (bottom of the bank)

If you are able to commit to being an adult 'walker' please let us know so we can put a list together.

PTA Updates:

Film Night fliers were sent home this week, pupils can hand in their slips along with payment to class teacher by Fri 4th October and these will be brought to the school office.

Diary dates are printed on 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
October 2019	INTERNATIONAL Walk to School Month	Events to be announced
Tuesday 1 October	Happy "Shoes" Day	Further Information to follow
Friday 4 October	Year 3/4 parent lunch	Replies to be in by 30.9.19
Friday 4 October	Year 1 / 2 visit to Blue Reef Aquarium, Tynemouth	Further Information to follow
Friday 11 October	PTA Film Night 3:15pm – 5:15pm	Fliers sent out on Wednesday
Monday 21 October	Parent Consultation Week Harvest Festival at St James Church 9:15am – 9:15am Aladdin Competition	Appointments will be sent out in due course. 9:15am @St James Church – all welcome Donations gratefully received for the West Northumberland Food Bank. Entries to be in by today
Tuesday 22 October	Year 4 Parent / Family Meeting – 2:45pm Residential Information	This year a residential will be offered to our Year 4 pupils in summer term.
Wednesday 23 October	Parent Drop In 8:15am – 8:45am Delivered by Sarah Donnison – Operation Encompass	Further information to follow.
Thursday 24 October	PTA Cake & Uniform Sale from 3:15pm	Cake donations welcome and can be dropped off in the morning or at pick up
School closes at 3.15pm on Thursday 24 October 2019 for half term break. Reopens on Monday 4 November.		
PLEASE BE AWARE NORTHUMBERLAND'S HALF TERM IS DIFFERENT TO SOME OTHER LOCAL AUTHORITIES		
Week commencing 11 November	Anti – Bullying Week This year the theme is "Change starts with us"	Further information to follow.
Monday 11 November	Open Morning	Prospective Pupils
Wednesday 13 November	World Kindness Day	Event info to follow.
Friday 15 November	BBC Children In Need Day Children in Need Special Lunch	Charity fundraiser – information to follow.
Monday 18 November	Road Safety Week	Further information to follow.
Friday 22 November	PTA Disco 5pm – 6:30pm	Further information to follow.
Tuesday 3 December	Reception Class visit to Chopwell Woods	Further information to follow
Friday 13 December	Christmas Jumper Fundraiser Day and School Christmas Lunch	Charity fundraiser
Monday 16 December	Pupils Rehearsal for Nativity (900am – 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.
School closes at 3.15pm on Friday 20 December for the Christmas break. School will reopen for children on Tuesday 7 January 2020.		

Year 3/4 swimming dates –Autumn Term 2019 – Wednesdays – 11 lessons left this term

	2, 9, 16 and 23 October	6, 13, 20 and 27 November	4, 11 and 18 December
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