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Friday 20th November

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Achievers

Class 1 - Ebony Readman
Class 2 - Caitlyn Latham
Class 3 - Ruth Robinson
Year 3 - Owen Allen
Year 4 - Regan Hopps
Year 5 - Lily Johnson
Year 6 - Joshua Chadwick
Best Attendance: **Class 4 99.3%**

Team Cup Winners: **YELLOW TEAM**

WELL DONE EVERYONE

Good to be Green

Macey Bowden
Laina Walker
Callum Sutton
Mckensie Cooke
Abby Hawman
Jamie Barker
Stephen Johnson

Writer of the Week

Class 1 Joseph Jones
Class 2 Evie-Mai Cotterill
Class 3 Ezme Gargett
Year 3 Mackenzie Peate
Year 4 Eden Oxley
Year 5 Amy Vickers
Class 6 Joseph Walker



School News

This week was National Anti-Bullying Week and we have been taking part by promoting the theme Make a Noise about Bullying. We also took part in a Stamp Out Bullying session today on the school yard.

On Monday Year 6 went to the Safety Carousel at the Workplace in Newton Aycliffe. The Safety Carousel is an excellent event as it encourages the children to become more aware of a variety of important safety issues. This year's event included workshops on fire, water, cyber, electricity and road safety.

On Tuesday a team from our school took part in the local netball competition. The team played really well and won the competition on the day. Best of all they represented our school superbly.

Well done to the whole team.

Christmas Fair

Please note the Christmas Fair begins at 2pm on Wednesday 2nd December

Maths – Active Learning Session

Thank you to those parents who were able to attend the parents' Active Learning session on Thursday. We hope you felt it was useful and will help you support your child when completing maths activities at home. Copies of the log-in details for all children in school will be sent out next week.

Dates for your Diary

Christmas Fair Wednesday 2nd December

The School Christmas Fair is on Wednesday 2nd December at 2 pm. There will be stalls, refreshments, raffles, etc.

Christmas Performances

Tues 8th Dec – Classes 4, 5 & 6

Wed 9th Dec – Classes 1, 2 & 3

Afternoon Performances 1.30pm

Evening Performances 6pm

These are ticket only performances. Tickets will be available nearer the date

Treat/Non Uniform Day 17th Dec

Carol Service at St Helen Auckland 18th Dec pm

Holiday Dates for this Academic Year 2015 - 16

Fri 18th Dec - break up for Christmas

Tues 5th Jan - return to school 2016

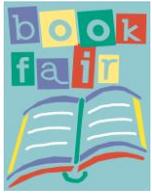
Mon 15th - Fri 19th Feb - half term 2016

Thurs 24th March - Fri 8th April - Easter

Mon 30th May - Tues 7th June half term

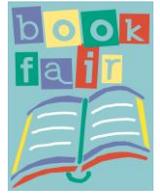
Wed 20th July 2016 summer break

Sept 2016 - return date to be confirmed



BOOK FAIR

The Book Fair is in school next week and will be open to children and parents after school on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.



Curriculum and Assessment Procedures

You may be aware that following announcements by the Department for Education (DfE) last year, the curriculum and assessment procedures for all primary schools changed significantly.

The 2014 curriculum has already been introduced across primary schools and we changed our school curriculum at Copeland Road Primary School so that all of our children are learning in-line with national curriculum expectations. The new curriculum introduced a number of changes, some of these involve the topics that are being covered and others involve the range of work covered in particular year groups.

The second major change involved assessment and this included removing levels for children in all schools. Your child will no longer work towards a level but towards the expected standards for their year group in each curriculum area.

In Reception, children will continue to work towards the Early Learning Goals and they will be reported as Emerging, Expected or Exceeding in terms of the required statements. This system will continue for this year but it will change in September 2016.

In Key Stages 1 and 2 the new assessment arrangements will involve reporting to parents on how well their children are doing in respect of the expected standard for their age group. Throughout the year the children will continue to take part in regular on-going assessments and at the end of the year parents will be informed on how well their child has achieved in terms of the expected standard for their year group. The children could be working towards, at or above the expected standard. Those children above the expected standard will work on the same curriculum but they will add more breadth and depth to their learning and understanding.

In terms of end of year reporting, SATs will still take place at the end of Key Stage 1 and 2, although the results of these assessments will not involve levels and will involve a new scaled score.

It will take some time for everyone to become familiar with these changes, but we will keep you updated as much as possible, and we are always happy to answer questions about your child's learning and progress.