Vane Road Primary School Newsletter – Friday 10th February 2023

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Message from Mrs Sim

We have had another busy week in school this week with lots of visitors looking around school. Mrs Poulter, our Head of Maths was very proud to show one of our Darlington colleagues round the school looking at the children's wonderful maths work and how hard they are working on building their resillience and really challenging their thinking. He was extremely impressed!

On the theme of resillience I met with Anthony Daulphin, Founder/CEO of The Standing Ovation Project. Now a National Education initiative supporting schools across 26 cities in the UK. We discussed how he could work with us as a school on raising the aspirations of our children through the Aiming High programme predominantly working with our Year 6 pupils on building their resilience and preparing them for the next stage of their educational journey. I will keep you updated with further details as the programme develops.

It was endearing to see so many children supporting the If You Care, Share Foundation by wearing their uniform inside out today. Promoting positive mental health is such an important message and one that we will continue to drive forward. I have included below access to a range of support options available in the local area.



On Friday17th February children can come to school in non-uniform to help raise funds for the Turkey-Syria Earthquake Appeal. Please follow the link below to make any donations.
https://www.dec.org.uk/?gclid=CjwKCAiA85efBhBbEiwAD7oLQA5JoPoJnTQRWrbUdJI70FTr3zKydOfUKVCZ9plLxxizz1kfW6m-ABoCXsAQAvD_BwE

The Power of Reading

Just a quick reminder of the power of reading and how this is a gateway to all types of future learning, Pupils who read more will know more, this in turn will allow them to do more. This isn't simply true to primary school but their progress through education and into future employment – fluent reading has a huge impact on children's futures. I can't emphasise enough the importance to read at home on an evening – this can be to you, a sibling, to themselves of a mixture of all three.

Thank you for your continued support.

Weekly Attendance

This week's attendance

Class	% Attendance
1	96.9
2	99.3
3	98.3
4	95.3
5	94.1
6	99.6
7	98.7
8	95.4
9	98.0
10	97.3
11	93.5
12	99.6
13	95.4
14	97.8

Our Minimum Target Is 96%

Well done to Classes 1,2,3,6 7,9,10,12, and 14 who have achieved attendance above our minimum target level. Special "Well done" to **Classes 6 & 12** for attendance that was the best out of the entire school.

Whole School Weekly Attendance = 97.1% this is a 3% increase from last week and above target for the 96% expected.
If you have any issues regarding Attendance, please contact Mr. Grady as soon as possible.

Teacher's Awards

The following children have been nominated to receive an award at the next merit assembly on **Friday 17th February at 9:15am** (doors open at **9.10am**), their Parents/Carers are invited to come along.

Below are the names of children who will be receiving an award.

C1	Jacob C	C2	Penny A, Hazel B, Karson W
C3	Niamh H, Jasper C	C4	Archie A
C5	Mason F	C6	Hannah B
C7	Annalise F, Jace P, Bobbie-Lea H	C8	Leia B-S, Zane F
C9	Will W, Poppy W	C10	Harrison G, Abigail G
C11	Ella H, Hollie F, Miley-Rae F	C12	William B, Archie C
13	Isla M, Maisie C, Charlie M-T	C14	Reece D

Rights Respecting Awards were given to
Imogen S in C5 and Joey C in C6

Additional Awards to be given out at next week's assembly. Friday 17th February at 9:15am

C6 – Zac J, Oscar C	C10 – James L, Ruby C, Jak O, Isla-Rose McA, Jacob H, Harrison G, Isabella C
C7 – Maisy W-F, Oli B, Harley L	C11 – Ella H
C8 – Robert Jnr H, Jude S-F	C12 – Stevie B, Jay-Jay P, Logan W, Rocky N, Riley T, Leo C
C9 – Liam C, Layla C, Max P	



Dates for Your Diary

17 February	-	Non Uniform Day/Turkey/Syria Earthquake
17 February	-	Break up for Half-Term
27 February	-	School re-opens from Half-Term
2 March	-	World Book Day (Pyjamas/Non-Uniform)
7 March	-	Wind in the Willows – Panto
7 March	-	Reception trip to Tynemouth
8 March	-	Y1 Trip to Hall Hill Farm (postponed from last year)
9/10 March	-	DHL Safety Demonstration (Whole School)
10 March	-	Cross Country Competition (East Durham College)
14 March	-	Y5/Y6 Police Carousel
15 March	-	Whole School Sign Language Lesson
17 March	-	Red Nose Day (Non-Uniform & Donations)

Sport Morning Clubs
Gates open 8.15am and close 8.25am

Monday	KS2 Cross-Country
Tuesday	KS2 Cross-Country
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	

General After School Clubs
3.15 – 4.00pm

Monday	KS1 – Arts & Crafts KS1 – Once Upon A Time Club KS1/KS2 – Board Games KS2 – Times Table Rockstars KS2 – Maths Challenge KS2 - Arts & Crafts KS2 – Once Upon A Time Club

Job Vacancy - Cleaner

The Governors of Vane Road Primary School are seeking to appoint at well-motivated and enthusiastic cover cleaner to join its highly effective domestic team. 15 hours will be completed sometime between 3:15pm to 6:30pm Mon to Fri. Experience of work as a commercial cleaner in a school setting is desirable but not essential. Any training could be given.

If interested, please follow the link below for more information and the application form.

Cleaner - 15 hours - Jobs in Schools | North East (jobsinschoolsnortheast.com)

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Job Vacancy – School Administrator

The school governors are seeking to appoint a highly motivated and engaging person to join our busy school office. The successful applicant will be the part time School Administrator, working alongside the Office Manager.

The closing date for application is Friday 3rd February at 12 noon with interviews to take place week commencing 20th February 2023. Applicants who meet the essential criteria will be invited for a formal interview.

If interested, please follow the link below for more information

Admin Assistant - part time - Jobs in Schools | North East (jobsinschoolsnortheast.com)

Out of Hours Club Messages

Can we please remind you of the following:

- Debbie Ridley's club hours are 7.30am to 9.00am and 3.00pm to 5.30pm. Messages might not be answered outside of these hours straight away, but will be checked where possible, throughout the working day
- As you can appreciate there is a lot of administration involved in each booking which is why we need a week's notice for all bookings. Forms available from OOH Club In advance.

Thank you for your understanding and patience.

World Book Day

This year World Book Day is on **Thursday 2nd March**. The children are invited to come into school in their **pyjamas or non-uniform.**

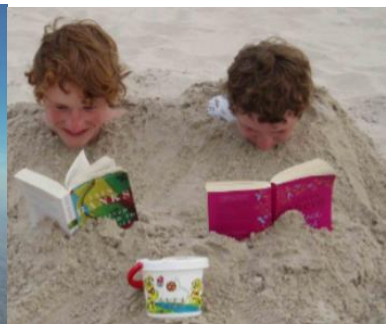
At Vane Road we are passionate about reading for pleasure and wish to instil a love of reading that goes beyond the classroom. If your child has a favourite book, comic, poem or fact book, we would love it if they could bring it into school on Thursday 2nd March to share with their class.
Throughout the week, children will be taking part in lots of book themed activities such as a **Story Switcheroo** where staff go to different classrooms to read their favourite stories and poems to children. In addition to this, we have booked another fabulous performance for the whole school to enjoy! This year it is **Wind in the Willows** and will be performed on **Monday 7th March.**

We are also excited to announce the return of **Vane Road's Reading Photo Challenge!** We are inviting the whole school to get involved and get reading in weird and wonderful places. Pets too! We have had some amazing photographs over the years and would like to encourage everyone to read everywhere.

Please send in your reading photos on your child's class dojo by **March 3rd.**
We will share the photos with the children and prizes will be awarded to the best pictures! Have fun, be safe and get reading.

Any donations towards new books for our library would be greatly appreciated, Please look on your ParentPay for Library Book Donation if you wish to help. Thank you in advance.





Out of Hours Club

If you require child care before or after school this term, you MUST book in the week before. Please contact Debbie for a form.

Breakfast club will open at 7.30am and all children MUST be in by 8.15am. After school club will be until 5.30pm.

These arrangements are to help us keep all the children safe.

If you would like any further information, or to book your child into our Out of Hours Club please ring Debbie Ridley on **07900701981**.

Breakfast Club – If you are paying for your child to have breakfast please make sure they arrive in time - our last serving is at **8.15am**. Thank you.

After School Club – A reminder that this club starts at 3.15pm and finishes prompt at 5:30pm.

Holiday Club – If you need any more information, please get in touch.

https://www.vaneroadprimary.co.uk/parents/out-of-hours-club

Local Sports Clubs and Events

Cricket — Newton Aycliffe Cricket Club — contact Adam Gittins on 07748508239 or algittins@googlemail.com. Visit their website https://newtonaycliffe.play-cricket.com/website/web_pages/233640

Football – Newton Aycliffe Youth Football Club – Visit their website https://www.nayfc.com/ or contact Bernie 07939 045242

Badminton -Newton Aycliffe Badminton Club – contact peterwalton1@aol.com or ring 07917095478. Sessions run every Monday evening 4.00pm – 5.00pm at Newton Aycliffe Youth Centre.

Junior Parkrun - South Park, Darlington - https://www.parkrun.org.uk/southpark-juniors/

Newton Aycliffe FC Junior Section - Adam Cayless 07825 845962 or nafcjuniors@gmail.com