



PERCY MAIN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# NEWSLETTER

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CHECK OUT OUR



## Website

### 4th Birthday!



Our brilliant web site is 4 years old on Wednesday 18 October. From its very early beginnings it has developed into an amazing platform for our school and it has been acknowledged by our Local Authority as one of the top sites in our region. It contains an array of fantastic photographs documenting the exciting work that the children are involved in right across our school from Learning Outside the Classroom, sporting successes to being involved in innovative workshops such as the Amber Project.

If you have not looked at our website recently why not visit it on its birthday. Log on to [www.percymainprimary.org.uk](http://www.percymainprimary.org.uk) – we are sure you will be AMAZED! However we must thank Mrs Callaghan who continues to spend a phenomenal amount of time keeping the site up to date. So this week's BIG THANK YOU must go to Mrs Callaghan for her sheer dedication and commitment to maintaining our brilliant website.



### Footie News

Last Thursday our footballers were in fine form when they played games against Collingwood and Whitehouse Primary Schools. Unfortunately there was a bit of confusion and uncertainty in the first game which resulted in the team losing that game. However **Levi** came out of goal and had a 'stormer' of a game in the second match. Our side went from strength to strength and **Keenan** was simply on fire and the rest of the team playing their socks off. **Keenan, Charlie and Korey** scored goals including a great deflected goal scored by **Korey**. This fantastic effort resulted in a great 4-0 win against Whitehouse. Our squad were **Keenan, Corey, Levi and Millie** who are in Year 6 and **Bailey, Charlie, Dale and Mason** who are in Year 5



Well done everyone on a cracking performance!

### House Reward Day

Our House Reward Day will be next Thursday (19 October). You will be able to discover which House won the special treat in next week's newsletter.



### Year 6 go on Safari



On Friday next week (20 October) our Y6 students will be visiting Newcastle University to join their 'Safari on Campus' workshop. This visit will give the pupils an insight into University life and hopefully inspire them to consider embarking on a University course when they leave high school. During the day the students will take part in a variety of activities including;

- Students Undercover
- Travelling Tales
- Percy's Challenge (*during this activity they will take part in a graduation ceremony which will include getting dressed in caps and gowns*)

This will be a super day which will very nicely round off a full programme of half term's work.

### Yr 6 - Agents of IMUTT!



On Wednesday next week (18 Oct) our Y6 pupils will be visiting The Tyneside Cinema in Newcastle to become **Agents of IMUTT!** They will take part in the very entertaining workshop called the 'Time Machine'. For several years now we have arranged this workshop for our Year 6 pupils. They have always thoroughly enjoyed the activities so we are sure this year's Y6 will really enjoy the event. We will let you know what they get up to in next week's newsletter. This visit supports their current topic 'Who Dunnit?'

### UPDATE - PARENTS' EVENING



An amazing **86.13%** of our parents came along to meet their child's teacher during this week's parents' evenings; which was **FANTASTIC**. Although this was a slight drop on the 89.9% achieved at the October 2016's Parents' Evening it still confirmed a very high level of interest. Your support for Parents Evening demonstrates that you fully support your child's education and we do thank all our parents/carers who managed to attend. However, if you did not manage to arrange an appointment and would still like to speak to the teacher, please call into the school office; the office staff will be happy to arrange this for you.

# RAFFLE WINNERS



Our raffle was a huge success thanks to the very generous donations made by local businesses and some of our parents. The winning tickets were;

Prize	Ticket
1 Pamper Hamper	211-215 Wh
2 2 x Extreme Bounce Tickets	391-395 B1
3 1 hr howling for up to 6 people	276-280 Wh
4 Bouncy Castle Hire	681-685 B1
5 W/end pass to Park Contours	611-615 B1
6 W/end pass to Park Contours	951-955 B1
7 Mystery Body Shop	936-940 B1
8 Mystery Body Shop	436-440 B1
9 Afternoon Tea for 2 at Noir W/Bay	661-665 B1
10 Soap & Glory Set	306-310 Wh
11 Wine/Chocolates	521-525 B1
12 CAVA	601-605 B1
13 Disney children's set Large	331-335 B1
14 Bottle of Vodka	501-505 Wh
15 Disney children's set small	591-595 Wh

Several other smaller prizes were also won but we do not have room to include these in the list. All prizes have now been claimed by our lucky winners and we do hope that everyone enjoyed their prize.

# BIG

JUICE FESTIVAL



On Tuesday next week (17 October) our Year 6 pupils will be taking part in The Big Juice Read Event at The Discovery Museum in Newcastle. The Big Juice read is a fantastic opportunity for Children and young people to enjoy reading and literature through creative activity. Working with professional artists and a writer the pupils will explore literature through writing workshops, drama, arts and crafts. This year the festival will be taking its inspiration from Chloe Daykin who is an artist, designer, playwright and teacher. Chloe also has an MA in Creative Writing from Newcastle University. In addition to working with Chloe they will watch a performance by the professional poet and spoken word artist Maxwell Golden. Maxwell is a versatile touring artist with a rare gift for lyrical performance. There will be a £4.00 parental contribution required for this visit. If you would like to learn more about the festival go to [www.JuiceFestival.co.uk](http://www.JuiceFestival.co.uk)

# YEAR 2 SKIPPING WORKSHOP

On Wednesday morning this week our Y2 pupils had a fun packed morning learning different skipping techniques. They learnt double jumps, speed skipping, pairs and fun team skipping. They will be practicing their skipping skills over the next few weeks as they develop a routine to perform at the The Skipping Festival which will be held at The Parks Sports Centre in February.



# Newsletter goes Hi-Tech!

You may have noticed that as from last week we will no longer routinely issue hard copies of the newsletter. It will still be produced on Thursdays, but it will be circulated as an attachment via our new text messaging service *MarvellousMe*. This is why it is more important than ever to ensure you register on the *MarvellousMe* site. A few hard copies will still be printed and will be available from the Nursery or the school office on request.



# Christmas Performances

## DATE/TIMES



This item was printed in last week's Newsletter but we thought it would be a good idea to publish this again in case anyone missed this important information.

- Monday 11 Dec – Dress Rehearsals**
- Tuesday 12 Dec - Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 evening performance at 6.00 p.m.**
- Wednesday 13 Dec – Years 3, 4 5 & 6 afternoon performance at 2.00 p.m.**
- Wednesday 13 Dec – Nursery, Rec, Yr1 & 2 evening performance at 6.00 p.m.**
- Thursday 14 Dec – Nursery, Rec, Yr1 & 2 afternoon performance at 2.00 p.m.**

We do hope that this gives everyone the opportunity to join us for these very special occasions.



# Half term holiday

**No School** Please remember that school will be closed for the half term holiday from **Mon. 23 October to Fri. 27 October. School reopens on Monday 30 October (8.15 – 8.30 for Breakfast Club).**



Miss Duffy is hoping to welcome lots of parents, carers, relatives and friends to the meeting she has arranged for **THUR. 19 OCTOBER (3.30 to 4.30)**. The discussion will focus on sharing information regarding the formation of a Parent, Teachers & Friends Association. The role of a PTFA is to encourage closer links between home and school. PTFAs are best known for their fundraising work, but they have a useful social function too. Fundraising events provide an opportunity for parents, staff and pupils to get together, which is very important in developing community links. If you cannot join us for the meeting, but are interested in being a part of this group, please give Miss Duffy a ring, she will be happy to discuss this with you.

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