

NEWSLETTER

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Student teachers

I am pleased to inform you that we have 3 student teachers from Sunderland University joining us in Years 6, 4 and 2. They will be with us for the next few months and will offer support to the class as well as teaching some specific groups within the class.

Supply Teachers

It is sometimes necessary for us to use Supply Teachers in School. These are used when teachers are on courses or they are unwell. In order to ensure your child's education is not affected we always employ a fully qualified teacher. We endeavour to use Mrs Twist at all times. Some of you may remember she worked in our Y1 classroom last year. She is an excellent teacher who knows the school and your children. If Mrs Twist is not available, we will also use Mrs Forsyth who also is very qualified and has many years of teaching experience. As always your child's education is at the heart of everything we do.



This term we have changed the way we are having our dinner at school. We now have two sittings, one of which comes in at 12:00 and the other 12:20. This is working much better as all the children are sat quietly together at their table enjoying their meal. Instead of one class at a time this meant that children were always up and down from the tables. This has made our lunchtimes at school a much more pleasant experience for both the children and staff.



There will be a chance to see all of the photos that were taken at Robinwood on January 31st between 3:30 till 4:30. This will be a drop in session so that the

children can show their parents the photos and discuss the trip.

Dates to remember

Thursday 31 January

Robinwood drop in session

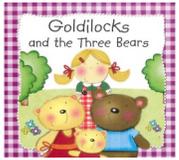
Friday 15 February

Final day at school before
Half Term



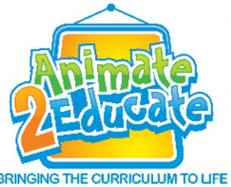


Yesterday children in years 1 to 6 had the opportunity to go to the Theatre Royal in Newcastle to see Goldilocks and the Three Bears. It was a magical pantomime, packed full of hilarious routines and dazzling special effects. If you have not paid for the ticket, please bring £7 ASAP to the office.



Also our wonderful cook Amanda made us all a delicious Christmas dinner which some parents still have not paid for. Please bring your money to the office ASAP.

It is very important that all trips and events are paid for. Any children who have not paid for either the panto or the Christmas dinner will not be able to go on any further trips without payment first as we must recoup these costs.



This week our year one class had a wonderful visit from Mr Martin Bailey. He was working with our children to explore how robots work, which ties in with their current topic of robots and inventions. They used coding to move the robots around the class and even had a turn themselves, they were mesmerized. All the children really enjoyed the lesson and they can use the skills that they have learnt in class.



The library bus came to visit our school yesterday. The children really enjoy going to pick a book from the library bus and now after every visit from the library bus we invite parents to come and share a book with their child. Yesterday some of our parents came into school at 3pm before they picked their children up to share with them the book that they had chosen. This helps to finish the day on a lovely 'high note', helping the children really get into the love of reading.



On Monday years 3 and 4 went out on the fabulous trip to the Discovery Museum. They had a great time learning about inventors of the past and how inventions are made. Then they went to see the bridges over the Tyne which were spectacular and learnt about how the bridges work. The knowledge they gained from this trip was then used to design their own inventions and they had some wonderful ideas from unicorn maker to smile maker. They all had a great time, the children said they especially liked the marble game as groups of them had to join in to make it work.



Could all parents please make sure that their child has wellies in school due to the turn in the weather. If you have any spare wellies that you no longer need please bring them into school and we will make good use of them.



Our early years are looking for some donations of children's helmets. If you have any spares that you no longer require please bring them along to school. These are going to be used in our early years outdoor area so the children can ride the bikes.