

NEWSLETTER

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We are absolutely delighted to finally have all of the children back in school. They have settled back into routines and expectations for behaviour and work immediately.

In our celebration assemblies over the past few weeks, we awarded the first children with prefect hoodies for consistently demonstrating high standards of behaviour and in their approach to learning. They have looked incredibly proud walking around school wearing them and have continued to be superb role models for their peers. Prefects will wear their hoodies for up to 3 weeks (depending upon the age of the children) before other children are nominated.

Our first children have also now been nominated to receive our school mascot bear, Percy the Panda. These children have been chosen due to going over and above in their efforts to be kind to others.

Dates to remember

Monday 29 March until
Friday 9 April
Easter Holidays

Monday 12 April
Back to school

Monday 3 May
Bank holiday

Monday 31 May until
Friday 4 June
Half term

Monday 7 June
Back to school

Friday 16 July
Last day of term



It has been fantastic to welcome some visitors into school over the past few weeks. Mrs Gill Kemp, from the School Improvement Service visited school 10th March to conduct a school improvement visit. Feedback is very positive reporting that routines are well-established and is enabling the school to continue to move forwards.



Mrs Walker-Maxey, who is a school Governor and Deputy Head Teacher at Norham High School visited a group of Y4 and Y6 children. This was an opportunity to gain pupil voice on improvements to the school over the past 12 months. The children spoke very confidently and with great maturity to express their views. Mrs Walker-Maxey was very impressed.



We would normally hold parents' consultation meetings in the spring term but decided to delay these until early in the summer term. This will allow staff to have the time to accurately assess where the children are following time away from school, and explain how the curriculum is being adapted to cover any gaps. Information will be sent out separately regarding appointments.



Today the children in Year 3 were looking very smart, showing off the new PE kit. Please remember the PE kits are only to be worn on the child's PE days and the rest of the week children must wear their school uniform.



Year 4 are running an after school drama club starting on Wednesday 22 April and running until 1 July, called Cruisin' with Crusoe. This will be in collaboration with the Big Foot Youth Theatre. Taking the story of Robinson Crusoe they will learn about his exciting adventures and the characters he meets along the way before bringing a version to life. The children are very excited to be part of this wonderful opportunity.



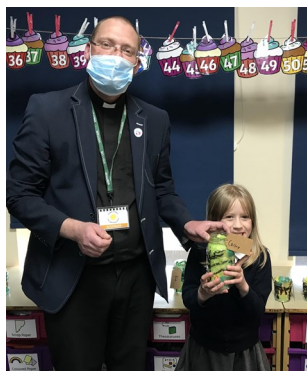
Many thanks to the Bay Foodbank and St Johns Church for the kind donations of Easter eggs. They were very gratefully received. Thanks also go to Mrs Gough a lovely lady who hand kitted lots of teddies for our children to take home. There have been smiles all round.



Many thanks to our wonderful Mrs Leslie who organised the Easter raffle. We managed to raise an incredible £417 for school and this will go towards some fantastic resources for the children.



On Wednesday all the children from Reception up to Year 6 joined in a live cooking event run by Phunky Foods. They worked in small groups to bake some very tasty hot cross scones. All the children had a great time making and eating them afterwards. The whole school was a hive of activity during the session. It was a fabulous event. Well done to Mr Bates who organised this.



This week the children have been decorating jars of hope. These will be handed delivered around our local community spreading hope and joy to many. Thanks to Rev. Lee for coming to bless all the jars before they go out into peoples homes.

