



No 21 Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2020

## Next Week's Events

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February** -  
Celebration Assembly 3.00pm  
in the dining hall

FREE sports club until 4.30pm  
**followed by** Pay & Play after  
school club

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February**- FREE  
sports club until 4.30pm  
**followed by** Pay & Play after  
school club

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February**-  
Craft after school club with  
Mrs Simpson

SAT's club continues for Year  
6 pupils 3.30pm - 4.30pm at  
INFANT building

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February**-AJ  
Academy after school club,  
followed by Pay & Play

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February**-  
Swimming sessions continue for  
small group of children

## Future Diary Dates

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March** - Forest  
Schools starts for year 3 & 4  
children.

World Book Day - children  
come to school dressed as a  
book character, if they so  
wish.

## THINGS TO REMEMBER - KS2

Signed reading records Monday

Orange spelling books every  
day

Reading books every day

Full school uniform Wednesday

Trainers every Friday

Musical instruments every  
Friday

## THINGS TO REMEMBER - KS1

Full school uniform Wednesday

Trainers every Friday

## Achievers

**Class 3 Achiever:** Erin for good use of exciting vocabulary

**Class 2 Achiever:** Leo for a huge effort to complete work during the lesson

**Head teacher's Award:** Millie for a mature approach in class in all subject areas

**Values Award:** Paige for being a good role model in school

## Heads Up!

The unbeaten run for Sunderland is over but there have been plenty of winners in school this week! It was great to see the pupils share their achievements in assembly I enjoyed looking at the pictures of Harper sharing his black belt and Amelie reading her story!

I've enjoyed spending time with pupils at the after-school club this week! As well as popcorn they are fortunate to take part in a number of crafts organised by Angela. The after school club is a strength of the school and we are fortunate that Connie will be taking over from Angela after half-term. The current arrangements for the after-school club means that the school is running the provision at a considerable loss. I am reviewing staffing and it maybe that after school on certain occasions there is only one adult available to supervise the club. I would like to stress that this will only happen as a last resort and that we will never compromise on the safety of pupils or staff. We would like to grow the numbers of pupils who attend clubs after school as the provision is a key strength of the school and much needed by working parents.

Ollie in Class 1 impressed me with his 'Den Building' skills this week. The imagination of young minds never ceases to amaze me and it is a real joy and privilege to work with children and share in their learning. The Class 1 Team are great at creating exciting learning opportunities for your children.

## Piece of Cake

It was great to meet parents last night and chat about the school and get their opinions on how we can move forward together. It was great to get an understanding of the issues that are important to parents and I've already started working through a list! I'm hoping to hold another event in the next half-term and to provide further opportunities for parents to engage with their children in school activities.

Thanks for your continued support

Richard Linsley  
Headteacher



### **Celebratory Assembly**

Our celebratory assemblies are proving very popular. Parents are invited to attend at 3pm on a Monday afternoon, at the dining hall. The children are awarded with certificates and they showcase work they have done during the week.

### **Tag Rugby**

Some of the children are taking part in a tag rugby event next Tuesday, at Richmond School. Those involved were given a letter yesterday.

### **Judo**

On Wednesday, in addition to our usual sport session, the whole school will be doing Judo. This is something we have not done in school before and it should be great fun. Children should come to school in usual PE kit and be dropped off at the junior building.

### **Mrs Simpson**

Next **Wednesday** will be the last day in school for Mrs Simpson (Angela), who has been running our after school club since June. If anybody needs to see her before she leaves, please make sure they do so before then.

### **Valentine Disco**

A reminder that the Valentine Disco, kindly organised by the parents and friends of the school, will be taking place next Friday from 4 - 6pm, at the Village Hall. Pay on the door, at a cost of £3.50 to include food and drink for the children.

### **KS2 trip**

The junior children will be visiting the Wensleydale Creamery in Hawes and Dales Countryside Museum on 3<sup>rd</sup> March. This visit has been organised as part of their topic work on National Parks.

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