

Stay and Play Sessions and Book Look

Thank you to everyone that came to school today for our Early Years Stay and Play sessions and Book Look for Years 1-6. It was fantastic to see your children so eager to share their learning with you. We hope you enjoyed visiting your child's classroom and seeing all the fabulous work they have produced so far this year.

We look forward to welcoming parents/ carers who are coming to the Stay and Play sessions on Thursday at 9.15am until 10.15am.



Swimming

Tuesday 30th January will be Class 7's final swimming session. Class 8 will commence their sessions on Tuesday 26th February.

Year 6 - Dance City Workshop

On Wednesday, as part of their PE lesson, Year 6 will be taking part in a Dance City workshop. Your child does not need anything extra for this session, but please make sure your child has their PE kit in school on this day.

Early Years Clothing Donations

Our Early Years are currently looking for donations of clothing that your child might have outgrown, as our stock of spares is running low. We have plenty of jumpers and cardigans, but are in short supply of items like tights, socks etc. Please hand any donations to staff in Early Years or the school office.

Forest Schools

On Wednesday, Nursery will be taking part in an educational forest school lesson led by our forest school leader, Chris. Please ensure children wear suitable clothing and footwear for the weather and bring a waterproof coat. We also ask that any long hair is tied back for this session.

NSPCC Number Day—Friday 2nd February

This year we will be marking NSPCC Number Day in school with a maths themed non-uniform day and maths activities in school. Children can come to school in clothes with numbers, patterns, shapes or anything else they can think of linked to maths. If you would like to donate to the NSPCC, you can do so via this link:

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Newsletter

Monday 22nd January 2024



Stars of the Week

Our stars of the week for last week are:

Nursery: Leo & Libbie Class 1: Noah Class 2: Jayden
Class 3: Alex Class 4: Lewis Class 5: Ariana
Class 6: Reuben Class 7: Isabelle Class 8: Riley
Class 9: Emmeline Class 10: Harriet Class 11: Aadhya
Class 12: Rosie Class 13: Martha Class 14: Lydia
Whole School Award: Bobby (Class 9)



Absence Reporting

Please can we remind parents and carers that all absences should be reported to the school office by no later than 9.30am each day. If your child is unable to attend school due to illness, you can leave a message on the absence line by choosing option 1 when you telephone school. Please ensure you let us know your child's full name and the reason for their absence when you leave a message.

Poverty Proofing the School Day

As a school we remain aware of the current rising costs of living and the impact this has on all families. We are working with Children North East's Poverty Proofing[®] team to ensure pressure on household income doesn't have a negative impact on any child's education.

Next week, the Poverty Proofing[®] team will be in school speaking to all pupils, teachers and governors and would like to get your views as parents/carers too. They will be discussing things such as access to trips, after school clubs and the costs of uniform.

Ahead of the team visiting school, we would be really grateful if you were able to complete the parent/ carers questionnaire. A letter with further information is attached to this newsletter. The questionnaire can be completed on paper or online. If you require a paper copy, please visit the school office.

Big Garden Birdwatch

This week, children will be talking about Big Schools Birdwatch and seeing which birds they see on school site over the next few weeks. You may have seen adverts on TV about Big Garden Birdwatch week, which is this weekend. If you are interested in taking part in this national event, please visit [Big Garden Birdwatch \(rspb.org.uk\)](https://biggardenbirdwatch.rspb.org.uk) to see how you can join the world's largest garden wildlife survey.

