



Butterknowle Primary School



Newsletter- Friday 1st March 2019

Whole School Attendance this week is 99%

Blackbirds - 100%

Owls - 97.5%

Robins – 99%



Book worm class of the week:

Congratulations to

Robins – 70%

Robin's class map of Butterknowle

We couldn't miss out on the fantastic weather this week so we took the opportunity to do some mapping fieldwork in



Butterknowle. We have been looking at maps of places in Europe and the UK. This week we used aerial mapping devices and created a satellite map of the roads in Butterknowle.

We used the map as we walked along the road and located



where we were at different places on the map. It was interesting to see Butterknowle from above and from street view as we walked along. In various places we stopped and took photos to help us make 3D maps of the local area. Back in the classroom we created 3D maps of Butterknowle by drawing pictures of the places we visited and added these to the maps.

WANTED

Blackbirds Class are continuing their work around Fairy Tales and will be moving onto 'The Three Little Pigs', to enhance their learning about money and home DIY, we would like to make a 'B&Q' style shop in our classroom. If you could spare the odd spare carpet tile, or pack of paint brushes or roll of wallpaper to help us develop this, we would be very grateful. Also if you are a builder, plasterer, plumber or are in the trade and would be willing to come in and help enhance the children's learning by showing them how to build a wall or a simple fence please let us know as this would be a fabulous experience. Many Thanks.

KS2 Activity Morning

Robins' class had a fabulous activity morning on Thursday. They took part in a carousel of activities: Spider's Web, Toxic Waste, Football and Rugby. These challenged the children's



thinking and team-working skills as well as their athletic abilities. Hannah Straughan commented, 'It was the best day ever!'

A big 'thank you' to Kirsty Brien and her team of excellent students from Newton Rigg College.



Beamish Trip

Please return your slip which were sent home before half-term so we can finalise the arrangements.



Owls Class

This week the year 1 and 2 learnt about anti clockwise and clockwise turns and programmed the blue bots to reach various destinations on the map of Great Britain. They have also started learning about the Great Fire of London. On Monday they will be continuing with a workshop run by Durham University in school , so watch this space.....

Change of supplier for school uniform



Change of supplier for our school uniform. This change is as a direct result of Tesco not supplying school uniform anymore.

We have looked at other providers but still feel that 'My clothing Ltd' offers the best value for money.

'My Clothing Limited is the UK's largest provider of school wear. With access to the finest school wear manufacturers, we produce branded uniform from a varied and large range of high-quality garments. My Clothing Limited is becoming well known for its fast and efficient delivery and is constantly looking to find new, innovative ways to expand our offering in order for schools and parents to have a convenient one stop shop. We pride ourselves on delivering the best easy to order service at affordable prices'. Further details will be available on the school website or at www.myclothing.co

After school clubs:-

- Monday - Computers
- Tuesday - Arts & Crafts
- *FISCH for children in years 3-5 until March 26th**
- Wednesday - Football club with Mrs Davison and Mr McNab
- Thursday - Homework Club
- Friday - Board/card games

Thursday is World Book Day.



We will be marking this day with children invited to dress up as their favourite book character. We are also running competitions in school to design the best book cover. This can be for a real book (fiction or non-fiction), or an imaginary book! Children are invited to

write a story with themselves as the main character. There will be prizes for best entries. Entries can be submitted to school after half term and they will be judged on World Book Day. Design your book cover on A4 sized paper. Good luck everyone and get thinking!

Friends of Butterknowle School

As well as arranging our own events the friends also fundraise throughout the year which enables us to pay for, or contribute funds towards lots of activities and investment within school. These include;

- Travel costs for school trips meaning reduced costs for parents
- Christmas gift for each child
- Equipment for school
- Treats for children such as ice creams on school trips or sweets and juice at the pantomime.

Our meetings are very informal and relaxed. We welcome any parent, grandparent & carer etc. to attend meetings and share their fundraising ideas and support in activities when able. **Our next Friends meeting: Monday 11th March in school.**



Play and Stay

Come and join us on a Friday morning 9.30-10.30 for our Play and Stay session. All are welcome to come and take part in a range of activities. We ask for a 50p contribution towards refreshments and resources.



Bishop Auckland Girls FC

Bishop Auckland Girls FC have been successful in their application to run an SSE Wildcats Football Club , in association with Durham FA

Open to girls in school years 1-6. If you would like further information please contact : Alysha.Cook@DurhamFA.com

Dates for your diary

- 6th March Nursery and Reception trip to Wharton Park, Durham - back for 12.00
- 7th March World Book Day
- 15th March Red Nose Day
- 20th March Owls and Robins trip to Beamish museum back for the end of school.
- 26th March EYFS Festival
- 27th March Mother's day afternoon tea 2pm we will let you know when booking is open on parent pay
- 1st April Parents evening and showing of Butterknowle Boots
- 5th April End of Term assembly and Easter Egg presentation.

Paper copies of the newsletter are available on request as well as the school website butterknowle@durhamlearning.net