



Butterknowle Primary School

Newsletter- Friday 26th April 2019

Whole School Attendance this week is 97%

Blackbirds - 98%

Owls - 99%

Robins – 95%



Congratulations to **Owen** who was last term's winner of the book raffle.

Congratulations to the Easter Egg Competition winners

Pre-school - Lucy

Reception – Seth

Year 1- Sophie

Year 2- Teddy

Year 3- Oliver

Year 4 - Esme

Year 5- Ioan

Don't forget to return the booking form for April/May.

Please note your child will not be automatically booked into either breakfast club or after school club unless we have received the booking form.

After school clubs:-

Monday - Outdoor Games

Tuesday - Forest Schools (outdoor clothes required)

Wednesday - Football Club

Thursday - Homework Club

Friday - Board/card games

Year 2 SATS Booster Sessions.

Thursday 2nd May will be the last session.



Play and Stay

Come and join us on a Friday morning 9.30-10.30 am 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.

Teesdale League Football Match

On Wednesday 1st May we will be taking Year 4 and Year 5 pupils to this event. Make sure you have football boots and shin pads. It starts at 9.45pm at Staindrop School.

Allotment News

During the holidays the school elves were busy in the allotment clearing and preparing it for the children to use. Blackbirds will be starting to plant a variety of edible delights. Please can you ensure that your child has a pair of wellies in school as the grass can be quite wet and muddy! If there are any volunteers who would be able and willing to come and help us lay some paving slabs/ re-lay some paving slabs, please can you see either Mrs Harrison or Mrs Harmer. Thank you



PE Kit

Due to Health and safety please can you ensure that all children (Nursery – Y5) have an appropriate PE kit. This includes a white t-shirt, red/ black shorts, dark jogging bottoms and a pair of trainers (a pair of socks if wearing tights). We seem to have recently had an increase in leggings and bra tops!! Thank you

Polite Reminder:

We have noticed an increasing number of children are regularly arriving late for the start of the school day. Arriving late is disruptive for the children's learning and for teaching. We would ask that all the children are on the playground ready to go in with their class when the bell rings at 8.55 am so that lessons can start promptly at 9.00 am. Thank you for your support.

Governor Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a parent governor. We would be particularly interested in someone who could take responsibility for monitoring safeguarding in school. If you think you might be interested, or for more information about the role, please contact the school office to speak to Mrs Carr. The closing date for applications is Friday, 3rd May.

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.
- Easter egg prizes

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: Thursday 2nd May in school, please come to the staff entrance. The meeting starts at 6pm. All are welcome.**

Dates for your diary

- Wednesday 1st May Football Tournament
- Monday 6th May **Bank Holiday** school closed
- KS1 SATs May
- Thursday 16th May ' Pie, Pea and Bingo night
- Wednesday 22nd May Y3 and Y4 Cricket, Raby Castle
- Thursday 23rd May N,R,1,2 trip to Durham Cathedral – letter to follow.
- Thursday 13th June FOB's sponsored walk @ 6pm
- Monday 24th June – Woodland Football Tournament 10am
- Thursday 4th July Family Rounders TBC
- Wednesday 10th July Sports Day
- Thursday 18th July School disco TBC
- Friday 20th July End of Term assembly 9am

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