



Butterknowle Primary School

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Newsletter 5 - Friday 5th October 2018

Whole School Attendance this week is 96.5%

Blackbirds – 97%

Owls - 92.5%

Robins – 100%

Well done Robins Class – full attendance all week!

Bring it On! Event at the Beacon of Light



Year 5 pupils had a fantastic trip on Wednesday, learning all about the world of engineering. They carried out a wide range of 'hands on' activities, which included driving diggers and helping Network Rail to mend train tracks. The children talked with computer programmers and asked questions about their jobs, but one of their favourite activities was to build a bridge. Teamwork skills were brilliant, helped perhaps by the tubs of treats which were on offer for every activity completed! Thank you to our volunteer, Mrs Waddington, for joining us on this visit.



'The Christmas Truce' Christmas Play

This year the whole school Christmas performance will be on **Friday 14th December at 4pm at Butterknowle Village Hall**. The children will stay on at school at 3.15pm and then will be escorted to the Village Hall ready for the performance at 4pm. Make sure you book time off for this show!

Save the date.

Our popular Community Christmas Dinner takes place on **Wednesday 19th December 2018**. Details and booking forms to follow.

Harvest Festival Assembly 10th October.

We would like to invite parents, carers, family, Lynesack church members and friends to our Harvest Festival celebration on Wednesday 10th October at 9.00 am in school. Donations of tinned food, cereals, pasta, rice, biscuits, etc. can be dropped off at school. There is a basket at the main entrance for your donations.



KS2 Friendly Football Match against Woodland School



After School on Wednesday 10th October we have been invited to take part in a football match against Woodland, starting at 3.15pm. We need help from parents to transport children to the match. If you are able to offer a lift to a member of the team could you please let Ms Fenoughty know or alternatively contact Mrs Brown in the school office.

Introducing our School Council Members

Congratulations to our new school council members, as voted by each year group.

They will be working hard all year to represent the voice of the children in our school. They are:

Seth,
Harvey,
Owen,
Maddie,
Hannah, and
loan





Congratulations to Mrs Dauber who found out this week that she has achieved her MA in Creative Writing, with **DISTINCTION!** What a clever teacher. Well done Mrs Dauber.



Parents Evening Monday 15th October

Letters have been sent out with appointment times for Parents evening. If you need to rearrange your allocated time please contact the school office.



Butterknowle Boots Project

We still need your stories of Butterknowle on the ‘‘Story Me’ sheet, please return them to school as part of the project.

Nursery children starting school next year.

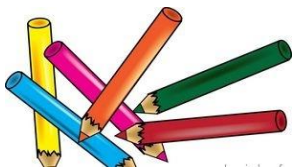
Have you completed your application to Durham Schools Admission before the deadline on 12 January 2019, **even if they come to our pre-school?** Complete your application online at www.durham.gov.uk/schooladmissions.

If you need any help with this online application, please come into school and we can provide you with assistance.

Flu vaccination. All children in Reception, Yrs R, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 are eligible for the seasonal ‘flu vaccination this autumn. Please refer to the NHS letter, consent is via the link as requested by 28th September however if you have missed this deadline they have now extended this date. Please use one of the following links to consent for your child to receive the vaccination: www.hdft.nhs.uk/nasalflu-consent or <https://onlineformsflucddt.hdft.nhs.uk/CountyDurham>

WANTED

Kirsty Brien, Esme and Seth’s mum is going to Tanzania during and after half term. She has asked if Butterknowle children would like to donate a pencil each for her to take to a local school. While she is in Tanzania Kirsty is planning to Facetime with us at Butterknowle. Please bring them to school before half term. Thank you



NEXT WEEK.....

- Wednesday** – Harvest Festival at 9.00 in the hall
KS2 Friendly Football Match against Woodland School starting at 3.15pm
- Friday** Flu Vaccinations for children in R,1,2,3,4,5

Dates for your diary

Don’t forget to keep checking your newsletter and website for new dates.

- Wed 10 Oct Harvest Festival Assembly at 9am in school
- Fri 12 Oct Flu immunisation in school (R – Year 5 only)
Stay and Play 9.00 – 10.30
B’birds and Year 1 swimming
- Wed 17 Oct Tag Rugby (Yrs 3,4) at Staindrop School
- Thu 18 Oct Multiskills (Yr 5 only) at Staindrop School
- Fri 19 Oct B’birds and Year 1 swimming
Fri 19 Oct *Break up for half term (previous date was Wrong – sorry!)*
- Mon 29 Oct School starts**
- Wed 31 Oct Hallowe’en Day at school
- Fri 2 Nov Robins Class and Yr 2 swimming
Stay and Play 9.00 – 10.30
- Thu 8 Nov WW1 Workshop in school
‘In the pink’ film showing at 7pm in school
- Fri 9 Nov No Stay and Play
Whole school remembrance at 11am
Robins Class and Yr 2 swimming
- Fri 7 Dec Christingle at Lynesack Church 2pm
- Tue 11 Dec Sport Festival (EYFS) at Staindrop School
- Thu 13 Dec Sleeping Beauty Pantomime Trip to Georgian Theatre, Richmond. Details to follow.
- Fri 14 Dec Christmas Jumper Day
Christmas Play at Village Hall 4pm
- Tue 18 Dec School Christmas Party
- Wed 19 Dec Community Christmas Dinner at 12pm.
- Thu 20 Dec End of Term Assembly at 2pm
Close for Christmas holidays

Tue 8 Jan School starts for Spring Term