



Rich fields of learning



Newsletter 13-18th June 2021



Congratulations to all our stars

Nursery: Ayda, Soren
Blackbirds: Sonny, George
Owls: Scarlett, Ben
Robins: Maddison, Esme

FOBS Dare to be

Thanks for supporting this event we raised £38.60

National School Sports Week

Next week and this year's theme is 'Together Again.' The Youth Sport Trust are urging schools to get involved by holding sporting events throughout the week. So look out in the next newsletter and see what we did.

30 Days Wild

As part of the Wildlife Trusts 30 days wild project. Nursery children have had a fabulous week. They have experienced walking barefoot on different surfaces (grass, sand, pasta and water), took a photo of

something natural, drew wild flowers and gone on a wild flower hunt.

Small school bags can be brought to school

With the weather warming up we are aware that there is only so much that your child can carry. Hats, sun cream, books can now be brought to school in a small bag.

- Children are to still come into school on their PE days in PE kits.
- Please remember to send water to school for your child to drink throughout the day this reduces the risk of wasps in the school building who are attracted by the nice sweet smells of Squash!

A gentle reminder....



We understand that parking outside school is difficult and there is limited space, however we would like to remind everyone to park considerately and away from the yellow markings outside the school. The markings are there to make the area safer for the children and

families coming to and from school and to ensure that there is space for cars to pass safely along the road.

Many thanks for your support with this.

*Please don't allow children to climb along the railings on the school premises.

* Please could you provide your children with a sunhat and sun cream on hot days.

Sports Day Arrangements

Blackbirds (Nursery and Reception) will have their races from 11.15 – 11.45 and one adult will be able to attend per family. We will ask you to observe social distancing and wear a face mask whilst on the premises.

Owls (KS1) will have their races from 1.15 – 2pm and one adult will be able to attend per family. We will ask you to observe social distancing and wear a face mask whilst on the premises.

Robins (KS2) will have their races from 2.15 – 3.15pm and one adult will be able to attend per family. We will ask you to observe social distancing and wear a face mask whilst on the premises. We appreciate that this is a compromise, but we are trying to make the day work as fairly and as well as we can within the current restrictions.

Blackbirds Reading Books

Please could Reception boys and girls bring their reading books in to school daily? However, Thursday is the main day when we hear all the children read and change their books.





Wanted for Blackbirds Class

We are looking for some simple cause and effect toys, such as shape sorters or pop up animals to use in class. If you have any toys like this, which you no longer use, we would be very grateful for your donations.



The school photographer will be at school on Tuesday 22nd June to take class/group photographs. Please do not send your child to school in their P.E. kit.

Staindrop Taster Sessions



The year 5 pupils had a fabulous afternoon last Friday at Staindrop Academy. The session topic was 'food' and the children made pizzas, adding their own toppings.

School Meals

School meal prices will increase by 5p from **1st September 2021**
School Pupils to £2.15
Nursery meal prices to £2.26

Learning around school

Owls had a special delivery of caterpillars which are growing every day and we have had the opportunity to have on loan some stick insects to support our learning on life cycles.



*****HOMEWORK*** ROBINS**

All children have been given their homework sheet last week. As well as reading and times tables, we are looking at the Victorians. The children should choose one task to complete per week.

Please remember to upload your photos of your chosen completed task onto class dojo by Friday each week so we can celebrate your fantastic work!

If you are unsure about the homework, please speak to Mrs. Dauber or Mr. Adams.

Thank you

Covid 19 Update Just a reminder to everyone that if a child or another member of your family has Covid-19 symptoms, everyone should isolate until a PCR test has been carried out and a negative result returned. LFT tests are for asymptomatic testing only. Covid-19 symptoms are currently listed as: Change in taste or smell, high temperature and persistent cough. Plus linked to the Delta variant: sore throat, runny nose, headache. Many thanks for supporting us to keep everyone safe.



Blackbirds class have loved taking part in our Random Acts of Wildness this week for our 30 Days Wild Challenge. We had lots of fun taking bark rubbings and finding birds in the outdoor area.

This newsletter is available on the school website butterknowle@durhamlearning.net or a paper copy is available on request.