



## Newsletter 11- 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022

### Artsmark Awarded

This week we received the good news that we have been awarded a silver Artsmark for the work we do.



**Artsmark  
Silver Award**  
Awarded by Arts  
Council England

### Sporting Events

- On Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February, Y5 and Y6 pupils are attending a netball competition please can children be in school no later than 8.45am as the bus will be leaving promptly.
- On Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> February Owls will be attending a multi skills event at Staindrop Academy children will need to be at school no later than 9.00am as the bus will be leaving promptly at 9.05am

### After School Clubs

To start after the half term holidays:-

**Monday** - 3.30-4.30 Football Club Years 3-6

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There is no charge for Football Club - (booking essential).

**Tuesday** – Art/Drawing

**Wednesday** – Science experiments

**Thursday** – Homework club

**Friday** – Computer animation

Please send an email to [butterknowle@durhamlearning.net](mailto:butterknowle@durhamlearning.net) to book your child into after school club or breakfast club or return the booking form provided.

### Year 2 and Year 6 Revision/SATS Club

Mrs Harmer and Mrs Makin will be running a club for year 2 children and year 6 starting after half term on a Tuesday 3.15-4.15pm this will run from March 1<sup>st</sup> until 5<sup>th</sup> April Each session will focus on a specific aspect of maths or English and the children will take part in a range of activities.

There will be no charge.

If you would like your child to attend please let Mrs Harmer or Mrs Makin know.

### P.E.

If your child has long hair, please ensure that it is tied back on the days that they have P.E. They can bring a hair bobble to school if they can tie their own hair. Earrings where possible should be removed.

KS2 have PE on Thursday and Fridays (swimming)

KS1 have PE on a Thursday and Friday with the coach.

EYFS have PE on Thursday and Friday with the coach

### School Meals

Please note the price of a Primary School lunch will be increasing from 4<sup>th</sup> April 2022. Please find the new meal prices below.

VAT on Private Nursery and Adult Meals also returns to the standard rate of 20%.

### Primary and Day Special

- Pupil £2.20
- D.C.C. Nursery £2.20
- Private Nursery (Governor Lead) £2.64 (£2.20 + 20% V.A.T.)

### Brass lessons

Middleton and Teesdale Silver Band, DCC are offering Y4 and Y5 pupils **FREE lessons** for one year. Instruments and music tuition books will be loaned free, hire of instruments are normally £32.25 term, there will be 30 lessons in total.

### Half term Sports club at Barrington

"Multi Sports, Dance, Swimming & Football, 9-3pm, Monday to Friday for 4-11-year olds only £5 per day. Advanced booking required. Contact Lewis on 07962175023"

### World Book Day

This year we are celebrating 25 years of Harry Potter. On March 3<sup>rd</sup> it is World Book Day, children are invited to come to school as a witch, wizard or a muggle!

### Dates For your diary:

- Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February – High 5 Netball Competition Y5 & Y6 at Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre (pupils will need to arrive at school at an earlier time of 8.45am)
- Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> February – Y1 & Y2 Multi Skills Festival at Staindrop Academy. **Please note the bus will be leaving at 9.05am.**
- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March – World Book Day
- Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March Owls and Robins trip to Durham Cathedral (more information to follow)
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March - Comic relief children are invited to come to school in non- uniform and the school council will be selling cakes
- Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March - Mother's Day afternoon tea booking essential
- Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March - Parents evening face to face in school (appointments will be sent out)
- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April -Easter egg competition entries brought into school
- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April am - KS1 Orienteering bus leaving at 9.05 am
- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April - 2pm Easter assembly, all welcome.



### Learning around school

#### Blackbirds

This week in forest schools they had a lovely time exploring and getting rather muddy! lots of giggles could be heard.



#### Owls

Owls this week continued learning about lighthouses and designed their own light house structure before having a go and building one.



#### Robins

Robins took part in an exciting art workshop run by the TCR



## BEAVERS

### **BUTTERKNOWLE BEAVERS**

We currently have spaces for a few new Beavers to start our group after the February Half Term.

*Our Beaver Colony meets  
in Butterknowle School  
on Friday nights during term time  
6 -7.15pm  
for boys and girls aged 6-8years.*

The Beaver Colony is part of Butterknowle Sea Scout Group which provides Beavers, Cubs and Scouts for young people from across the Upper Gaunless Valley. It is a great way for them to meet new people, make friends, have fun and adventures.

*Come and Join the Adventure*  
To find out more contact Jane at [butterknowlescouts@gmail.com](mailto:butterknowlescouts@gmail.com)

