



Rich fields of learning



## Newsletter 16- 20<sup>th</sup> May 2022

### Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May



You are invited to join us at 1.30pm on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May for our Jubilee celebrations. There will be games along with cake, refreshments and an ice cream van. All children who attend school will be getting an ice cream or ice lolly paid for by the school. Ice creams will be available for parents and siblings to purchase for £1.30 each.

### New Starters

If your child is due to start Reception in September you are invited to attend a meeting to be held in school with Mrs Fawcett-Smith on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June at 3.30pm in Blackbirds class.

### Reminder:

- PE – Up until the summer holidays all children will continue to have PE on a Thursday and Friday.
- Reception children after half term starting Friday 10<sup>th</sup> will not be swimming instead they will be doing Jungle Gym at the Leisure centre on a Friday afternoon. Year 1 and 2 children will be continuing with swimming for the rest of the term.
- Please could our parents check to make sure that all children have their names written inside their school uniform. This will really help to make sure they get their own jumpers and cardigan back if they go missing.
- Just a reminder that Reception now need to bring their reading book into school on a Monday please.
- Also, as we spend a lot of time learning outdoors, on sunny days could you please apply sun cream before school and then send it to school in a named bottle for them to put on at lunchtime. Please advise us if they require any assistance to do this. They will also need a hat to protect their head.

### Year 6 and Year 2 SATS

All the children have worked hard and given 100% to their recent assessments. Well done Year 2 and Year 6!

### Football Friendly

On Wednesday after school the football team played a friendly against Woodland. Both teams played well and showed a great deal of perseverance and team work. The final score was 6-2 to Butterknowle. Well done!



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### Cricket Sessions Run by Raby Castle Cricket Club

On Wednesday Owls and Robins enjoyed a session with the Cricket coaches from Raby Cricket club.



Cricket with Raby Cricket Club



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## Learning Around School Blackbirds



This week in Blackbirds, we have been finding out about how to keep ourselves healthy. We have looked at healthy food and had a go at making a healthy snack. We blended together chick peas, lemon juice, oil, garlic, pepper and spices to make our own hummus. Everyone dipped their peppers in and had a taste. "That was tasty!" "It's nice!" "I like my pepper!" "It was lovely hummus, wasn't it?"

## Owls

Owls have been learning about time and enjoyed an interactive session outdoors drawing clocks and learning about anticlockwise and clockwise. In music this week the children composed their own music in small groups.



## Robins



Robins have been creating kites in celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. They created their designs before bringing them to life. We will hopefully display them next week.

Robins have thoroughly enjoyed their cricket sessions over the last 2 weeks with some children showing a keen interest in joining the cricket club. The coach was very impressed with their behaviour this week and said he would love to come back to Butterknowle!

## Junior Training at Raby Castle Cricket Club

We run four junior teams at the club Under 9s, 11s, 13s and 15s. Each team plays in the South West Durham Junior Cricket League.

Our training sessions are run on a Tuesday Evening starting at 18:30pm at the Cricket ground at Raby Castle.

If any of the children at Woodland or Butterknowle would like to come to training please contact Scott Hedley details as below for further details.

Email Address: [Smh281994@outlook.com](mailto:Smh281994@outlook.com)

Phone Number: 07590537953

## After School Clubs

**Monday** - 3.30-4.30 Football Club Years 3-6 (booking essential)

**Monday** -- 3.30-4.30 Football Club Years R-2 (booking essential)

There is no charge for Football Club.

**Tuesday** – Cookery

**Wednesday** – Board Games and Jigsaws

**Thursday** – Homework Club

**Friday** – Loom Bands

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



## Community Events/Notices

*Join us to Celebrate the  
Queens Platinum Jubilee  
at our Community Event*

**Butterknowle Village Hall**  
**Sunday 5th June 1-8pm**

**Homemade Afternoon Tea 1-3pm**  
(For one £8, For two £15 or Childrens Box £4)  
**Must be booked by 23rd May**  
Contact Carolyn 07496882756 or Hayley 07725856849  
to get your afternoon tea order form

Bar	Games
Pimms Stand	Toddler Play Area
Facepainting 2-4pm	Raffle
Magician 4-5pm	Arts & Crafts Table
Disco 5.30-8pm	And more ....

Proceeds to be split between the village hall, friends of the school, sea scouts and toddler group.

To celebrate the  
**Platinum Jubilee**  
of **Queen Elizabeth II**

St John's Church Luncast are inviting you to a  
**Family Picnic**

In the church grounds  
On Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June at 2pm  
**Refreshments provided**

**Fun and Games** for all the family, including, a treasure hunt, party games, craft table and much more.

**Kids competitions** to be judged on the day.....

- (1) Best dressed teddy bear in jubilee style
- (2) A poe of flowers fit for a Queen

## WE NEED YOU .....

Friends of Butterknowle School are having a revamp!

Due to new arrivals at the school and people's personal commitments changing.

We are seeking new, active members to join our group. It's a friendly group where we share ideas, plan activities and run events all in the hope to raise funds for the children of Butterknowle School.

In the past such funds have contributed towards school trips, treats, movie nights, Easter eggs, selection boxes, Santa Clause and lots more.

If you can attend the odd meeting and give a little time to help set up and run events please email your interest to the school or pop along to our first meeting at The Royal Oak at 5.30pm Monday 13th June.

## SCHOOL CONNECT PROJECT

HELP YOUR SCHOOL TO RAISE FUNDS BY DONATING YOUR UNWANTED CLOTHING INTO THE CONTAINER SITUATED WITHIN YOUR SCHOOL!

REMEMBER TO INVITE THE COMMUNITY TO DONATE!

REMEMBER ONCE YOUR SCHOOL HITS £1000 WE GIFT THE SCHOOL AN APPLE TREE TO PLANT WITH THE CHILDREN

WHY IS RECYCLING IMPORTANT?  
- RECYCLING REDUCES WASTE SENT TO LANDFILLS  
- RECYCLING PREVENTS POLLUTION  
- RECYCLING HELPS REDUCE YOUR CARBON FOOTPRINT

REMEMBER TO SPREAD THE WORD AND ENCOURAGE DONATIONS THROUGH YOUR SCHOOL CLOTHING CONTAINER. THIS CAN INCLUDE FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS TO HELP WITH FUNDRAISING FOR YOUR SCHOOL










### **Lunchtime Supervisor**

Lunchtime Supervisor fixed term/Temporary contract

Salary: Grade 2 (£9.78-£9.98 per hour)

Required for Monday 13th June 2022

Our Governors seek to appoint a Midday Supervisor to work as part of a friendly staff team for securing the safety and welfare of pupils during lunchtime in the main hall and playground areas. The role will involve assisting with the setting up of the dining area each day, assisting pupils to collect meals and after the meal is finished, supervising play in the playground.

Butterknowle Primary School is a smaller than average school which has high expectations of both staff and children. We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our children and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

You will work 6.25 hours per week 11.45am until 1pm, Monday to Friday, term time only.

Closing date for applications is: Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May 12.00 noon.

Application forms are available from the school, please contact Joy Brown at the school office.

Application forms to be returned via e-mail to [butterknowle@durhamlearning.net](mailto:butterknowle@durhamlearning.net) or to the school at the address below.

### **Dates for Your Diary**

- **24<sup>th</sup> May – KS2 Trip to Life Centre, Newcastle**
- **25<sup>th</sup> May – Y3, Y4 Cricket Competition at Raby Castle Cricket Club**
- **25<sup>th</sup> May – Queen’s Diamond Jubilee School Fete**
- **26<sup>th</sup> May – Y3, Y4 Multi Skills Festival at Staindrop**
- **30<sup>th</sup> May to 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Half Term Holiday**
- **6<sup>th</sup> June School Closed**
- **7<sup>th</sup> June Year 1 Phonics Screening week**
- **7<sup>th</sup> June – Photographer in school for group photographs**
- **8<sup>th</sup> June New Starters, Reception Meeting 3.30pm with Mrs Fawcett-Smith**
- **9<sup>th</sup> June – School Trip Beamish Y1-Y6**
- **17<sup>th</sup> June – Father’s Day Breakfast**
- **29<sup>th</sup> June -1<sup>st</sup> July Robinwood Residential**
- **11<sup>th</sup> July – Whole School Sports Day**
- **12<sup>th</sup> July – Reception Festival at Staindrop Academy**
- **13<sup>th</sup> July – Y5, Y6 Athletics Competition at Staindrop Academy**
- **13<sup>th</sup> July – Summer Play at Village Hall 6pm**