



Newsletter 12-24th March 2023

Dates For Your Diary



27/3/23 - Y3/4 Orienteering

- 2pm Easter Assembly
- Easter Crafts judging
- Easter egg raffle

28/3/23 - SEND parents meetings 8.30am-10.30am

29/3/23 - FOBS Movie night 'Matilda'

31/3/23 - End of Term.

18/4/23 - Return to school

21/4/23 - Reception, Year 1 and 2 start swimming

Staff update



This week we welcomed Mrs Rogers in Blackbirds who will be covering Mrs Cowper's maternity leave. Mrs Rogers has extensive experience in Early Years and we are delighted that she will be working with us.

Swimming

Year 3,4,5 & 6 will have their last swimming session on Friday 31st March.

Starting Friday 21st April Reception, Year 1 and year 2 will be going swimming at Teesdale Leisure Centre. Please can all children bring their swimming kit to school in a bag with a costume, towel and they will need goggles if they are in big pool. Swimming hats can be worn but are not essential.



Red Nose Day

Thank you to everyone who supported our Mother's Day coffee morning raising money for Red Nose Day we managed to raise £153.00!



British Science Week

Last week the children enjoyed an afternoon of science activities and a visit from a 'real' scientist to celebrate British Science Week.





Easter Assembly



Everyone is welcome to join us on Monday 27th March at 2pm for our Easter assembly. Each class will be doing a performance in the assembly and we will be joined by Revd Lloyd. The winners of the Easter crafts will be announced and the Friends of Butterknowle school will be running an Easter egg raffle, tickets are 50p each.

Easter Crafts Competition



This year the FOBS are running an Easter crafts competition. The children are invited to enter 1 entry based on an Easter craft e.g. Easter bonnet, decorated egg, card etc. There will be a winner chosen from each year group. Please can all entries be in school no later than Monday 27th March as the judging will take place prior to the Easter assembly.

Movie Night



The FOBS are holding a movie night on Wednesday 29th March 3-5pm. The film being shown will be Matilda. £2.50 to include refreshments.

Bookings to be made via parent pay by no later than Friday 24th March.

Wanted Chocolate Easter Eggs



The FOBS are running a chocolate Easter egg raffle. Please bring any donations into school no later than Monday 27th March as tickets will be on sale at the Easter assembly.

WANTED

Blackbirds need the following items:
Dressing up clothes
Baby doll equipment and accessories

If you think you can help please see Mrs Fawcett-Smith who will be able to provide you with further information.

Learning Around School This Week

Blackbirds



This week, Blackbirds have been very sporty. We had a fantastic time at Staindrop Sports festival on Tuesday. The children especially liked the treasure chest game, playing dodgeball and doing 'funny dancing!' We have also had fun in school using the PE apparatus. The children love to climb, jump, balance and do different rolls.

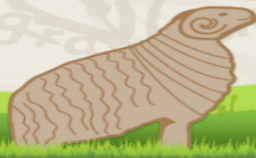
Owls

This week the children wrote their own version of George and the Dragon. The year one children drew a story map and then told their story which was videoed.

We continued learning about Captain Cook and wrote a sailor's survival guide.



PIC-COLLAGE



Rich fields of learning



Robins



Robins have been preparing to make our felt phone cases by practicing different stitches and making patterns.

Community Notices

Proposed Solar farm at Blue stone farm please visit the following website for further information.

<https://www.bluestonesolarfarm.com/support-bluestone-solar-farm> www.bluestonesolarfarm.com

CRAFT DAY – WOODLAND VILLAGE HALL

6th April from 10am until 3pm

Age 4 upwards:

£15 per child, this is for five hours of childcare by qualified and experienced staff. Arts and crafts activities, snacks and refreshment provided. Your child will be in a safe and fun environment learning new skills.

The following activities will be available

- Cutting/sticking, painting, colouring
- Hand/finger feet painting
- Junk modelling
- Pasta art/play dough/slime making
- Acrylic paint pouring
- Decoupage/sewing/crystal making
- Glass and ceramic painting
- Acrylic keyring making/Polymer clay keyrings
- Wooden signs/wooden animal painting
- Clay modelling
- Collages
- Threading activities
- Bring your own T-shirt to decorate

Places are limited, please contact Sarah.
Contact details as follows to book a place.

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<https://www.facebook.com/thehive116ww/>

Don't forget Clocks go forward on Sunday morning



Afterschool Clubs

(To commence Monday 17th April)

Monday – Arts/Crafts

Tuesday – Forest School (Please bring clothes and wellies to change into).

Wednesday – Computers

Thursday – Homework

Friday – Games/Puzzles

To book your child into after school club or breakfast club, please send an email to:

butterknowle@durhamlearning.net

The newsletter can be found on the school website www.butterknowle.durham.sch.uk If you require a paper copy of the newsletter please inform the school.