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Windy News

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Anti Bullying Week 2022

This year during Anti-Bullying Week pupils and staff are coming together to reach out and stop bullying. Bullying affects millions of young lives. But it doesn't have to be this way. This year's campaign is focusing on If we challenge it, we can change it. And it starts by reaching out.



The children started their learning about anti bullying this week with our odd socks launch event and an assembly to discuss what bullying looks like and who they can reach out to. A huge thank you to everyone who came to school in their odd socks. The idea behind wearing odd socks is that children can showcase their individuality and at the same time we can recognise difference and celebrate what makes us unique. The children took part in designing pairs of odd socks in school and took part in a range of different activities linked to preventing bullying.

Road Safety Week 2022

As part of our Safeguarding curriculum, the children have been learning how to stay safe around roads. This is a particular emphasis for us as a school as we are so close to a busy and dangerous road. The children took part in a range of activities and the LA Road safety team came into school to deliver road safety sessions in Years 3 and 4.

Children in Need Day 2022

Thank you to everyone who took part in our Children in need fundraiser. We managed to raise a huge £509.82 and would like to thank you all for your generosity.

Lengthening the school day

You will all be receiving a link to a questionnaire via PING linked to the possible solutions for lengthening the school day. Please look out for it and make sure you have your say.

November 2022

What's happening?

- ◇ **Dates for your diary**
- ◇ **Adverse weather procedures**
- ◇ **PTFA**

Charitable Giving

The School Council are hoping to organise a reverse advent calendar for the Gateshead Food Bank during December. More information will follow.

PE Uniform

Please can I remind everyone that on PE days the children need to wear grey or black leggings or joggers, a white t-shirt and a school jumper or cardigan. Coloured tracksuits, jumpers and hoodies are not part of our school uniform. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

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PTFA

A huge thank you to all parents and pupils who helped support the PTFA Halloween disco. We managed to raise £300. We have also managed to raise £260 through the Cauliflower cards fundraiser.

The PTFA do a fantastic job of raising money through a range of different events. They are always looking for new members to help with ideas or to come along and lend a hand. If you think you could help the PTFA in anyway, please email us at p.t.f.a.windynook@outlook.com

There will be a PTFS stall at the Christmas Fayre if anyone would like to help support the PTFA members.

Remember if you are doing any on line Christmas shopping Don't forget the PTFA are registered with

www.easypundraising.org

All you need to do is register at the site and then when you do any on line shopping if you go through their site first they will make a donation to the school PTFA.



Winter Weather Procedures

As winter approaches we need to think about our school procedures in the case of bad weather.

The adverse weather policy, which outlines our school procedures, has been shared on the school website for your information. As always we will endeavour to keep the school open in all circumstances, however on occasions, Health and Safety concerns mean we do have to close the school. We will try to let parents know through School Ping and the school website as soon as possible if this is likely to occur —please refer to the policy for more information.

Article 19: The right to be safe

Additional Bank Holiday

I am sure you are aware that the government have announced that there will be an additional bank holiday on Monday 9th May 2023 in celebration of the King's coronation. Please be aware that KS2 SATS will take place for the remainder of that week.



Christmas Dates for your Diary

Please note that some dates may change due to circumstances beyond the school's control.

Thur 24th Nov	Reception vision screening
Thur 24th Nov	Year 6 Oaks parents evening
Thur 24th Nov	Meeting for new Nursery parents 4pm
Thur 24th Nov	Governors Curriculum and Standards
Mon 28th Nov	School Photograph Day
Thur 1st Dec	Cheerleading festival
Fri 2nd Dec	Christmas show for KS1 and KS2
Wed 7th Dec	LKS2 trip to the Baltic
Thu 8th Dec	Christmas Show for EYFS
Fri 9th Dec	Christmas Fayre
Mon 12th Dec	Nursery Christmas performance
Tues 13th Dec	Reception Christmas Performance
Wed 14th Dec	Reception Christmas performance
Wed 14th Dec	Year 6 Dental Survey
Thu 15th Dec	KS1 Christmas Performance
Fri 16th Dec	KS1 Christmas Performance
	Christmas lunch in school
	Christmas jumper day
Mon 19th Dec	Nursery Christmas party —afternoon
nursery can attend for the morning session	
Mon 19th Dec	KS1 Christmas party pm
Tue 20th Dec	KS2 Carol Service- St.Albans Church
Tues 20th Dec	Reception Christmas party am
Tues 20th Dec	LKS2 Christmas party pm
Wed 21st Dec	UKS2 Christmas party
Wed 21st Dec	School breaks up for Christmas holidays 3:15pm
Mon 9th Jan	School reopens for Spring term

School gates

Just a reminder the school gates will not be open until 8:40am every morning so that staff have time to set up the classroom.

REMEMBER SCHOOL IS CLOSED ON THURSDAY 22ND AND FRIDAY 23RD DECEMBER 2022 FOR STAFF TRAINING. WE WILL RETURN TO SCHOOL ON MONDAY 9TH JANUARY 2023.

Remembrance Day

A huge thank you to the staff who organised our Remembrance Day event and displays in school. The children were extremely respectful as they listened to the Last Post and stood in silence next to our poppy garden to remember those soldiers who had lost their lives.