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Weekly Newsletter – Friday 26th September 2014

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Macmillan Coffee Morning: I would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who supported our Macmillan Coffee morning today. We had a fantastic turnout and it was lovely to see so many of you enjoying a cuppa and a chat, whilst being served by our fabulous School Council reps. I would like to say a special thank you to our parent helpers, Rachael Ross, Becky Dent, and Paul and Danielle Tissier, who did a fantastic job serving refreshments and on the tombola stall. Thanks as always to Mrs Makinson, who works so hard behind the scenes to organise, shop for and promote such events. Finally, we are very grateful to have received so many cake donations from parents and helpers. So far, we have raised almost £200 for Macmillan Cancer Support, which is wonderful and a cause close to so many of our hearts. Thank you very much!

Ford Castle Final Payment: Mr Lockey must have all final payments (£30) for our Ford Castle residential trip by next Friday 3rd October, please. Unfortunately, any late payments will result in your child's place being offered to someone on the reserve list. Thank you

EVFS Music & Movement Family Learning Activity: it was wonderful to see so many parents and carers attending the EVFS Music and Movement Family Learning club this week. Apologies for the short notice (Miss O'Connor did try to catch as many of you as possible that morning). The sessions will be on Wednesday's after school, 3.15-4.15pm until 5th November. An adult must accompany their child from EVFS (Nursery and Reception). Come along and join us!

Behaviour procedures reminder: I would like to remind parents about our Behaviour Policy. In WCPs, we have very high expectations of good behaviour from all pupils and our 5 Step Behaviour System is very effective in ensuring this is the case. Our Restart Room is used only in the severest of cases and parents are informed if a child has had a session in Restart. Any child who has been into Restart is given the opportunity to explain their actions and more importantly, to reflect on how they could have behaved better to prevent the incident. All parents and children are asked to read and sign our Whole School Agreement on entry into our school, to ensure we work in collaboration and to achieve the very best outcomes for every child. Copies of the Behaviour Policy are available at the office and as a link on the school website. Our system is used by several schools who have been impressed at our success. I would like to thank the vast majority of parents who continue to support and work in partnership alongside us, to ensure we achieve the best outcomes for your children in encouraging good behaviour, mutual respect and an ethos of taking responsibility for our own actions. Thank you.

Reading Around the World: Year 4 have already achieved their Reading Around the World treat: they earned 'air miles' for every time they were listened to by an adult at home and then watched a film, whilst eating French treats last Friday afternoon! Please try to listen to your child read for a few minutes at home every day: it makes the world of difference and helps them earn their class treat, too!

Astronomical Attendance: This week, the winners of Astronomical Attendance are Class 5, with 97.4% attendance, well done!

Reception: 91.5%

Y1: 97%

Y2: 93.2%

Y3: 97%

Y4: 96.1%

Y5: 94.6%

Y6: 94.2%





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Our 'Starts of the Week' this week are:

- Year 1: Bailey Bargewell Lowes for a great attitude in school this week
- Year 2: TJ Whittaker for super throwing and catching in PE
- Year 3: Ellie May Cooke for fabulous addition in maths this week
- Year 4: Ella Ross for brilliant Greek patterns
- Year 5: Tia Cooke for a very high standard of Literacy work all week
- Year 6: Joshua Gormally for a positive attitude towards problem solving in maths

Dates for your Diary: (please also check the school website diary pages for key dates throughout the year)

Thursday 9 th October	3.15pm PACT meeting for parents (refreshments served)
Friday 10 th October	Y6 trip to Beamish Museum all day
Monday 13 th October	1.00pm: E -Safety Assembly for Parents
Wednesday 15 th – Friday 17 th October	Y4 & Y5 residential trip to Ford Castle, Scotland
Monday 20th October	School Closed for Staff Training
Tuesday 21 st October	9.10am Year 1 Class Assembly, refreshments served afterwards
Thursday 23 rd October	Am: Y6 visit to Pizza Express & Durham Cathedral
Friday 24 th October	Harvest Festival Assembly: everyone welcome. Donations of tins, bottles and packet foods are very welcome for the Food Bank.
Friday 24th October	2.55pm: School Closes for Half Term

Mrs Page
Headteacher



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