



**Roseberry**  
**Primary & Nursery School**  
**Newsletter**

**October 2017**



I am pleased to report that our two new Reception classes have settled into school life very well and very quickly. Our ‘Meet the Teacher’ meetings were well attended by parents at the beginning of term and the pupils have attended a range of enrichment and sporting activities so far this term including:

- Year 6 have attended a transition event at North Durham Academy
- Years 4 & 5 are participating in a 10 week programme of FISCH activities and breakfast clubs (promoting health and physical activity)
- Whole school assembly by NSPCC to promote keeping safe, followed by workshops for Years 5 & 6
- Whole school Harvest Festival Assembly (attended by Rev John Lintern from Holy Trinity Church)
- Reception pupils participated in Winter Soccertots
- Year 6 Mini Police presented an assembly to the school about firework safety
- Year 1 visited Holy Trinity Church as part of their R.E. topic
- Years 3 & 4 enjoyed our Mayan visitor as part of their history topic
- Years 4 & 6 participated in a hockey tournament
- Year 3 participated in a dance festival
- Years 1 & 2 enjoyed a puppet theatre promoting books and literature

**DIARY DATES FOR THE REST OF THE TERM**

Monday 30/10/17	p.m.	Halloween Disco
Tuesday 31/10/17	1.30 p.m.	Mrs Jackson’s memorial service in school
Thursday 2/11/2017	2.50 p.m.	Fire Service delivering Safety During Bonfire Night Assembly
Friday 3/11/17	9.00 a.m.	Performance Poetry Competition (parents of class winners will be invited)
Tuesday 7/11/17	9.15 – 10.45 a.m.	EYFS Stay & Play Year 5 Gudwara visit Year 6 Mini – police – Mosque visit
Wednesday 8/11/17		Scarecrow Event (details to follow)
Friday 10/11/17	All day 1.30 – 3.00 p.m.	Author visit (Years 2 – 6) EYFS Stay & Play
Monday 13/11/17	All day	Year 6 – Safety Carousel
Monday 13/11/17	3.30 – 6.00	Parents’ evenings – details to follow
Tuesday 14/11/17		

Wednesday 15/11/17	4.30 – 7.30 p.m.	Year 5 Lumiere (behind the scenes visit)
Tuesday 21/11/17	Tues - Fri	Scholastic book fayre (buy reduced priced books for Christmas)
Tuesday 28/11/17	5.00 – 8.00 p.m.	Christmas market
Tuesday 5/12/17	a.m.	Rec – Year 6 pantomime visit
Wednesday 6/12/17	9.00 a.m.	Year 6 transition event to NDA (Technology)
Thursday 7/12/17		Year 6 Mini police visit to police control room
Tuesday 12/12/17	9.30 a.m. 2.00 p.m.	KS 1 Nativity KS 2 Christmas Production
Wednesday 13/12/17	10.30 a.m. 2.00 p.m.	Nursery Christmas Stay & Play
Thursday 14/12/17	9.30 a.m. 2.00 p.m.	KS 2 Christmas Production KS 1 Nativity
Monday 18/12/17	1.15 p.m.	KS 2 (Junior) Christmas Party
Tuesday 19/12/17	1.15 p.m.	KS 1 (Infant) Christmas Party
Wednesday 20/12/17	1.15 p.m.	EYFS Christmas Party
Thursday 21/12/17	1.15 p.m.	Christmas Lunch (pupils only)
Friday 22/12/17		Toy Day School closes for Christmas holidays
Monday 8/1/18		INSET Day – school closed to pupils
Tuesday 9/1/18	9.00	School re-opens for pupils

### **ATTENDANCE**

Just a reminder that, due to government regulations, schools are no longer able to authorise holidays in term time, unless there are **exceptional circumstances**. Penalty notices can be issued to each parent for each child. If parents are not able to take their family holidays during school holidays, the school needs evidence in the form of a letter on headed paper from their employers, to state that is the case. Also, if your child is ill for any reason, please contact the school as soon as possible to let us know what the problem is. From September 2016, schools are now responsible for issuing attendance letters and holding meetings with parents. The Education Welfare Officers now become involved when legal action is needed and enforcement proceedings commence.

**Our monthly 100% attendance draw for September, to win a Waterstones gift voucher donated by Teaching Personnel, was won by Taylor in Year 3. Well done!**



*Poppy & Leo checking out the cakes.*

### **MacMillan Cake Sale**

Thank you to all parents for supporting our very successful cake sale to support this worthwhile charity. We managed to raise a fantastic £441.12.

MacMillan will be attending Mrs Jackson's memorial service after the half term holiday, when we will be presenting them with a cheque for £943.12, which also includes the money raised from the charity run.

*Year 6 Mini Police teach their peers about firework safety.*

*"I never knew you should wear a glove when you hold a sparkler." (Ava Year 3)*  
*"You should stand well back from fireworks and don't go near them, especially when it's windy." (Chloe Year3)*



*"I didn't know fireworks were faster than Usain Bolt; a fire engine and a police car!" (Taylor Year 3)*

### **DURHAM FOODBANK**

A big thank you to all parents and relatives who sent in food for this local charity. Your support was fantastic this year – the most we've ever collected!





*Callum (Year 6) in action during hockey tournament.*



*Above/left  
Rev John plays his guitar for the children.  
Patrick dresses up as the vicar.  
Sophia at the church lectern.*

*Below  
Gardening Club show off their Silver Gilt trophy and certificate from Britain in Bloom.*



*Left to right:*

*Bobby  
Harry  
Jasmin  
Ruby  
Chloe  
Oliver  
Laila  
Lily*



### **HEADTEACHER'S WEEKLY AWARDS**

Well done to the following children for impressing Mrs Lee over recent weeks:

8/9/17 – Lewis (Year 5) for his positive behaviour and improved presentation skills;

15/9/17 – Elin (Year 2) for her brilliant Science work and cheery smile;

22/9/17 – Faith (Year 3) for her amazing English and Maths work and demonstrating her excellent swimming skills to the class;

29/9/17 – Keegan (Year 1) for his fantastic work in Maths and use of the part/whole model;

6/10/17 – Aaron (Year 3) for great presentation

13/10/17 – Sam (Year 6) for use of exciting vocabulary and making excellent inferences during reading lessons;

20/10/17 – Joseph (Year 1) for listening carefully during the visit to Holy Trinity Church and trying really hard with his work back in class.

### **September Birthday Wishes to:**

Ellie, Niall, James, Lola (REC) who were 5

Patrick, Bradley, Damon, Jack, Leo & Lee, (Year 1) who were 6;

Brodie (Year 2) who was 7;

Leah, Mackenzie, Grace & Ben (Year 4) who were 9;

Jay (Year 5) who was 10;

Chloe (Yr 6) who was 11.



### **October Birthday Wishes to:**

Kasha-Rae, Erin, Vinnie, Ava, Isaac, (REC) who were or will be 5

Keegan (Year 1) who was 6;

Lily-Rose & Daniel (Year 2) who were 7;

Ella (Year 3) who was 8

Willow, Leah & William who were 10.

