

Roseberry

Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

July 2014



Family Technology Day

The challenge this year was to design and make a model vehicle to transport a football team to the World Cup. This popular event was well-attended and the winning families were:

1st prize - The Dubov family with their helicopter

2nd prize – The Darby family with their train 3rd prize – The Bowman family with their flying car

4th prize – The Carter family with their bus

Every family who participated did extremely well. Shame our football team couldn't do the same! A big thank you to Mrs Dorward for organising the event and to Mr Laverick, our vice chair of governors, for judging the final models.





School trips

- **EYFS** visit South Shields
- Years 1 & 2 visit Seven Stories in Newcastle
- Years 3 & 4 complete the Sandcastle Challenge
- Years 5 & 6 visit Alnwick Castle



Broomstick lessons at Alnwick Castle





Sandcastle Challenge



South Shields



Residential trip to Robinwood

Miss Blakeney and Mrs Mowbray accompanied a group of Year 5/6 pupils on this popular residential trip to the Lake District. The activities promote team building and problem-solving skills in an adventurous setting. This was an especially poignant time for Mrs Mowbray as the current Year 6 pupils were her first Reception class, and in her words, she saw them in so she wanted to see them out. A fantastic time was had by all. Many of the pupils' memories in this week's leavers' assembly focused on events from Robinwood, especially the piranha pool!



District Sports at Durham County Cricket Ground

Our Year 6 pupils designed a colourful banner to celebrate 50 years of the district sports. Our team did very well with the following children reaching the finals:

Samantha B, Ellie B, Megan B, Liam E, Kane B, Bethany T, Ariana D.

Megan came 2nd in the overall competition for the ball throwing and was beaten by only 1cm. Well done, Megan!





Drama Club Presentation

Miss Allison's drama club treated everyone to a wonderful and humorous production: **Roseberry's Got Talent!** Who will forget Mr King and Kingsley; Mrs Malpass's dancing darlings or Mrs Stanton, whose rare talent for shouting was showcased? There were many more examples of pupils mimicking the goodnatured staff of Roseberry. Well done to everyone concerned.



Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

That time of year has come again when we say well done to our Year 6 pupils, and thank them for all their hard work during their time at Roseberry. They are a real credit to the school and we wish them every success as they transfer to their secondary schools in September. Mrs Morton attended the assembly, along with her new baby boy, Ollie, to say goodbye to the class she has taught for three years.

SUMMER FAYRE

Thank you to everyone for attending the summer fayre and helping us to raise £1300 towards school funds. A big thank you also goes to the Friends of Roseberry School (FORS) for all their hard work and effort in organising the fayre. Winners of the raffle and games have been notified in a separate letter.



Drama Club 2014

PARTY ANIMALS IN EYFS

Our youngest children were treated to a visit by a selection of 'party' animals.



Town crier opens summer fayre

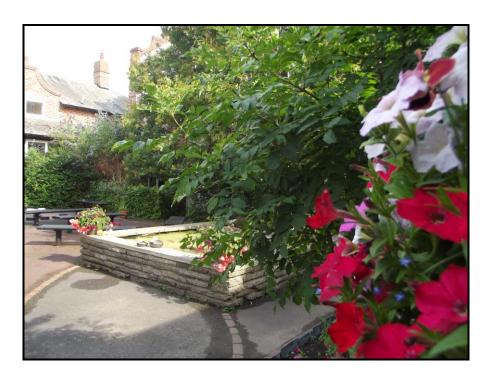






Left - Zoe V handles a tarantula, one of a range of animals, arranged by Sure Start to visit the children in nursery. Other exotic animals included giant tortoises; lizards, geckos and snakes.

Above – our newly planted bed in the quadrangle.



GARDEN COMPETITION

Our quadrangle garden has been entered into Cestria Housing's local competition under the category of school garden. We will find out the results in September. Fingers crossed! A big thank you to Mr King and our year 5 children for planting, watering and weeding the garden to make it look so nice, as well as parents who donated plants.

GOODBYES

I'm sure you will all join us in wishing a fond farewell to Mrs Mowbray who is retiring after 35 years' of outstanding service. She has taught most of our pupils and quite a few of their parents too! Although she is retiring, you may see her in school on Thursdays as she is teaching Year 1 on Mrs Dunn's day off.

Also leaving, to take up promotion in a Gateshead school, is Mrs Dorward. She has served the school well for the last 12 years and we wish her every success in her new role.

Miss Howie, our teaching assistant in nursery, is also moving to take up a full time position in another school. We wish her every success for the future too.

School closes on Friday 18th July for the summer holiday and reopens on Tuesday 2nd September. The staff of Roseberry wish you a very happy holiday!

