



# Roseberry Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

May 2013

## SATS

We are very proud of our Year 6 pupils for their superb efforts in this year's SATs tests. Without exception, every child tried their best and we hope they achieve the success they thoroughly deserve. Well done, Year 6!

Year 2 pupils have also worked extremely hard this week in their KS 1 SATs. Keep up the good work!

## PAEDIATRIC FAMILY FIRST AID

Two sessions have now been held, with a further two scheduled for 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> June, if any new parents want to attend.

## ROSEBERRY GETS COOKING

Our after-school cookery club has started again and this term the theme is

### RICE, PASTA & PULSES.

Once again, I'd like to say a big thank you to our parent volunteers who give up their time every week in order to develop the children's cooking skills.



## **YEAR 5 ATTEND MINI MINING GALA**

In April, Year 5 took the school mining banner to Beamish museum to parade in their first ever mini mining gala. As usual, the children were a credit to our school and were complimented on their outstanding behaviour and perseverance with the banner in the high winds.



## **FIREFIGHTERS' CHARITY**

Thank you to all parents who sent in clothing donations this month. We managed to raise £17 which we will put towards resources for the pupils.

## **DIARY DATES**

INSET DAY – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June. School closed to children. (This date has been changed from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.)

MEASUREMENT CHALLENGE WEEK – Begins 10<sup>th</sup> June

Year 6 to visit Gala Theatre to see 'The Wind Road Boys' – Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June

SUMMER FUN RUN – Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June

FIDDLEPICKS CONCERT – 14<sup>th</sup> June

YEAR 1 PHONICS TEST – Week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> June

SUMMER FAYRE – June 26<sup>th</sup> at 1.15 p.m.

DISTRICT SPORTS MEETING – 26<sup>th</sup> June at 6.00 p.m.

Y5/6 VISIT TO DURHAM UNIVERSITY – 27<sup>th</sup> June

YEAR 6 TRANSITION WEEK – begins 1<sup>st</sup> July

Y3/4 SANDCASTLE CHALLENGE – 5<sup>th</sup> July

DISCOVERY WEEK to FRANCE – 8<sup>th</sup> July

SPORTS DAY – 16<sup>th</sup> July a.m. – KS 1 and p.m. – KS 2

YEAR 6 LEAVERS' ASSEMBLY – 17<sup>th</sup> July at 9.15 a.m.  
COMPARSO BATAOLA BRASS BAND – 17<sup>th</sup> July p.m.  
END OF YEAR DISCO – 18<sup>th</sup> July

### **INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL AWARD**

As part of our work towards gaining this prestigious award, Mrs Subashini Weerasinghe, from Gonadeniya Maha Vidyalaya School in Sri Lanka, has been visiting us this week. She has told our pupils about her country and culture in a special assembly where she presented us with a culture box. She has observed lessons across the school and delivered lessons about pets to Year 3 pupils. Did you know the Sri Lankans keep squirrels in cages? They are let out to play in the trees and then they come back at night time. She read a traditional tale to Year 4 who completed art work to go back to Sri Lanka and Year 5 worked with Mrs Weerasinghe to create Wesak lanterns. Year 6 learned a Sri Lankan song and produced Christmas crafts for the pupils back in Sri Lanka. It has been an enriching experience for all concerned and we hope to continue our partnership next year.



Year 3 pupils draw their pets for Mrs Weerasinghe.

Mrs Weerasinghe demonstrates to Year 5 pupils how to make a Wesak lantern.



## **ROSEBERRY WINS THE FORGE ARTS PROJECT COMPETITION**

Our work with local artists, Louise Mackenzie on sea sculptures and Susan Warlock on our anti-bullying mosaics, was recognised by The Forge as the best arts-based projects of the term across the county. Our award can be viewed in the school office. Well done to all the children who participated – Years 5 and 6 for their ‘coastal creations’ and the whole school was involved in the creation of the mosaics, from the design to the end product. Children developed a whole range of art skills and the award acknowledged the originality of the projects and the strong teamwork.



*Coastal Creations*



*Mosaics*



*Winning Art*

## GYMNASTICS ACHIEVEMENTS

Well done to the Dubov family for their winning acrobatic gymnastics display at the national finals in Basingstoke on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May. Tatiana won the national final in her year group; Ariana achieved 5<sup>th</sup> place; Katerina achieved 3<sup>rd</sup> place and Santiago won 1<sup>st</sup> place. What a talented family!



If you want to find out more about gymnastics or just enjoy a fun day out, Deerness Gymnastics Academy is holding a Summer Fayre on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 10am-3pm. This is a fantastic day out for all the family, with fairground rides; bouncy castle; face painting; burger and ice cream van; gymnastics display; hook a duck; psychic clairvoyant; portrait photography; crafts, cakes, games and so much more. For further information please contact **0191 373 9419**.

## **NURSERY PROVISION FOR TWO YEAR OLDS**

If you have a 2 year old child and are entitled to free school meals, you will qualify for 15 hours free nursery provision. We are hoping to start this provision in the autumn term. If you are interested in this, please call at the school office for further details.

The staff would like to wish you all an enjoyable Bank Holiday (hopefully a sunny one) and we'll see you back on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June**.

