



## **Weekly Bulletin –11<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

### **Headteacher's Message**

We marked World Mental Health Day in school today. We held a whole school assembly and completed activities in class looking at ways in which we can all look after our mental wellbeing. Thank you to Mrs Marsden and Mrs Caygill for organising whole school and class activities.

Today, those of you with children in Years 1-6 will receive your child's termly progress report. This report provides you with relevant information in preparation for our parental consultation evenings which will take place on Monday and Tuesday next week. The report provides a starting point for conversation with your child's class teacher in order to agree the next steps for working together in partnership to continue to support progress in school. Parents of children in Reception class do not receive a report, but have the opportunity to meet with Mrs Short next week. Please be aware that appointments are for 10 minutes and please do support the teachers in keeping to their appointment times.

As part of parents' evening Taylor Shaw (our Durham County Council school meals contractor) will be offering tasting samples for parents. This is so that parents are able to taste some of the dishes prepared in school. The Taylor Shaw staff deployed at our school have been working with colleagues from other schools to further develop menu choices and you are invited to sample these.

Best wishes  
Mr Tait

### **Diary Dates**

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October – Progress Reports (Year 1 – 6)  
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October – Parents' Evening  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October – Parents' Evening  
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October – School Photographer  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October – Y2 George Stephenson Workshop at Beamish Museum  
Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October – Y4 Trip to the Bethany Christian Centre  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October – Break up for October half term  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November – Return to school for Autumn Term 2  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November – FOSS Disco (Infants 5.45-6.45 and Juniors 7-8 pm)  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November – FOSS Bags to School  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November- Flu Immunisations (NHS)  
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 5:00pm – Y6 Robin Wood Parents' Meeting  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November – Y5 Architecture Workshops  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November – FOSS Christmas Shopping Evening  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November – Y1 Toys Workshop at Beamish Museum  
Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November – FOSS Christmas Fair

For a full list of school holiday dates please see the school website.

### **Further dates for diary**

Bags to school - Wednesday 3rd June 2020

Discos - Friday 31st January 2020, Friday 15th May 2020 . Infants 5.45-6.45 and Juniors 7-8 pm

Easter coffee afternoon - Wednesday 1st April 2020

Summer Fair - Saturday 27th June 2020

### **Newsletter**

- FOSS Update – FOSS will be starting the Christmas fundraiser in the next couple of weeks so watch out for the lovely art work coming home in your child's bag. Then you can enjoy selecting a choice of; Christmas cards, mugs, coasters, placemats, mouse mats, teddies, shopping bags and Teflon oven pads all personalised with Christmas picture your child has created making fabulous stocking fillers for all the family.
- If your child is wishing to change to *Packed Lunches* please inform the school office with one week's notice.
- BRASS LESSONS – Date Change – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 11:00am – 1:30pm instead of Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November.

### **Medical**

There have been a number of cases of Threadworms within the School. This is a highly contagious condition. Please see the information below from the NHS website. We would appreciate parents' collaboration with reinforcing good personal hygiene which is proven to significantly reduce the risk of spreading.

*Threadworms (pinworms) are tiny worms in faeces. They're common in children and spread easily. You can treat them without seeing your GP. You can buy medicine for threadworms from pharmacies. This is usually a chewable tablet or liquid you swallow. Treat everyone in your household, even if they do not have symptoms.*

*Symptoms can include: extreme itching around the anus, particularly at night and irritability, waking up during the night and possibly bed wetting.*

### **Energy Drinks and Drugs- Year 6 Workshop**

This week a lady came in to School to talk to the year 6 class about energy drinks and drugs. We found out lots about what energy drinks do to our body. We also found out that some energy drinks can contain up to 19 teaspoons of sugar. The lady who came in also told us that an average allowance of caffeine, for an adult, per day is equal to 8 spoons of coffee. Many drinks with caffeine inside are not recommended for children under the age of 16.

### **Christian Values**

We are exploring the value of endurance and worship next week will be led by Mr Tait, Mrs Matthews, Fr. Bill and our Key Stage Two pupils. We will be thinking about the story of the Good Shepherd

If you would like to receive a copy of the Weekly Bulletin by e-mail please e-mail the school.  
[Shincliffe@durhamlearning.net](mailto:Shincliffe@durhamlearning.net)

The Weekly Bulletins from previous weeks can be found in the parents' section of the website.

FOSS Christmas Shopping Evening - Thursday

21st November 2019

**Would you like to be a seller at this event?**

The popular FOSS Christmas Shopping Night will be held in the school hall on Thursday 21st November 6.30-8.30pm. The event raises funds for the school and offers a lovely night of shopping together with mulled wine & mince pies.

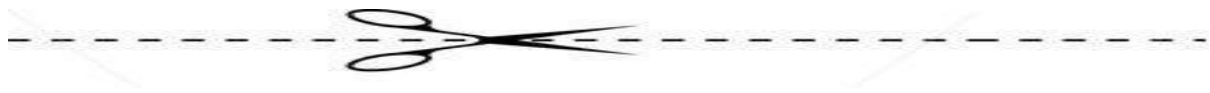
We invite a variety of stall holders to attend the event.

As spaces are limited we are initially asking parents/guardians/friends of the school if you would like to have a stall at the fair.

If you are interested in being a seller please complete the slip below and return to the school by Friday 11th October. Please let us know what type of products you would like to sell so we can ensure a variety of Christmas stalls. We cannot guarantee everyone a space but we will reply to requests ASAP.

Each attending stall will be charged a standard flat fee of £12.

If you have any queries please feel free to contact FOSS by email [foss.shincliffe@gmail.com](mailto:foss.shincliffe@gmail.com)



FOSS Christmas Shopping Night – Stall Entry Form – Please return by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Products to be sold \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile contact \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

## FOSS Website and Amazon Link

### Help FOSS raise money every time you buy on Amazon

For those of you who aren't aware when you go to the FOSS website <http://www.shincliffe-foss.org.uk> you will see a big Amazon logo

When you click on the logo, you will be taken to Amazon as usual, where you can browse and purchase just as you normally would.

It costs you nothing extra. Amazon then sends FOSS a percentage of the purchase price.

It's that simple! The rate varies by product category and number of items purchased in a given month, but it's typically 5% or more of the purchase price. Even small purchases can help push us into a higher rate tier and thereby earn us more on all purchases.

You can easily add the link to your home screen on your mobile device so you never forget

### Quick instructions to add to home screen

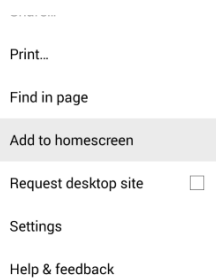
#### Android devices

Launch Chrome for Android and open the FOSS website [www.shincliffe-foss.org.uk](http://www.shincliffe-foss.org.uk).

Tap the menu button and tap Add to home screen.

You'll be able to enter a name for the shortcut and then Chrome will add it to your home screen.

The icon will appear on your home screen like any other app shortcut



#### iPhone, iPad

Launch the Safari browser on Apple's iOS and navigate to the website or web page you want to add to your home screen. Tap the Share button on the browser's toolbar — that's the rectangle with an arrow pointing upward. It's on the bar at the top of the screen on an iPad, and on the bar at the bottom of the screen on an iPhone or iPod Touch. Tap the Add to Home Screen icon in the Share menu. You'll be prompted to name the shortcut before tapping the Add button

