

Weekly Bulletin 27th October 2023

Headteacher's Message

Many thanks to all of you who attended parents' consultation appointments in order to speak with your child's class teacher earlier this week. Regular contact between home and school is vital in ensuring that we are able to work in partnership to support the progress and development of your children. If you wish to discuss anything more with your child's class teacher please do not hesitate to get in touch with the School office to book an appointment. The staff look forward to working with you over the coming term and implementing the strategies and approaches discussed at parents' evening.

On Friday 10th November you are invited to join us in marking Remembrance Day in school. Our service will begin at 9:05am with worship led by our Y6 children and Father Peter. Poppies will be available in school from Monday 6th November and money raised will support the work of the Royal British Legion.

As half term draws to a close, I extend our thanks to parents for working with us for the mutual benefit of your children. I wish you a restful half term break and I look forward to your continued support next half term.

Each week I want to include a 'snapshot' of some of the things that the children are doing in school. For example, news from our ECO team, Worship group, V.I.P. (Very International People) and SNAG (School Nutrition Action Group). This week our focus is on the work of our new School Council and an update is shared below.

Best wishes

Mr Rumbles

School Council

Our names are Olly and Isabel

Olly has been elected to be Chairperson of the School Council and Isabel has been elected for our School Council Secretary. To be elected, we had to present a PowerPoint to the whole school and tell them why we would be good for the roles of Chairperson and Secretary. The vote took place 2 weeks ago and everyone from Reception to Year 6 had to vote for the Chairperson and Secretary. The other classes have then taken part in a class council vote and two pupils have been chosen and will represent their class in School Council meetings. Hopefully, in our last year at Shincliffe Primary, we will get better sports equipment (especially football goals) and more non-school uniform days. We are aiming to make this school a better place and we are prepared to take everyone's ideas into account. We also hope to be able to do runs to raise money so we can have more fun activities.

All the best, Olly and Isabel

Parking

For safety reasons, please do not park directly in front of the school gates at any time. Please drive with extreme caution and care if you do need to access Beal Walk. Beal Walk and surrounding roads do not have pavements and are often used by our children, so it is dangerous to drive whilst people are walking to and from school. I thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Staffing update

Mrs Richardson will return from maternity leave after half-term to take up her roles as Deputy Head, SENCO and Y6 class teacher again. She will be working from Monday-Thursday with Mrs Leonard teaching on a Friday in Y6. I want to thank Mrs Gladstone for all that she has done during Mrs Richardson's maternity leave and I wish her well for the future.

Diary Dates

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

Monday 6th November – School re-opens after half term holiday Wednesday 8th November – Y1 Visit to Beamish Friday 10th November - Remembrance Service at 9.05am Monday 13th November – Nasal Flu Vaccinations Tuesday 14th November – Y4 Visit to the Great North Museum Wednesday 15th November – Y5 Class Assembly Wednesday 15th November – Y6 Festival of Languages at Durham University Wednesday 29th November – Y4 STEM Visit to Durham University Tuesday 5th December – Y3 Visit to the Great North Museum Thursday 7th December - Advent Eucharist – 9.05am Thursday 7th December – FOSS Christmas Fair – 3.30pm-5pm Tuesday 12th December - Nativity Performance Reception and KS1 - 10am Wednesday 13th December - Nativity Performance Reception and KS1 - 10am Thursday 14th December – Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day Thursday 14th December – KS2 Christmas Singalong – 2.45pm Friday 15th December - Christmas Community Worship – 10am Tuesday 19th December – School closes for Christmas holiday Thursday 4th January 2024 – School reopens after Christmas holiday Wednesday 10th – Friday 12th January – Y6 Residential Visit to Robinwood

Bonfire safety message from DCC

Did you Know

- On average, 130 fires on homes and buildings in the UK are started by fireworks every year.
- The majority of firework- related injuries happen at family or private parties.
- It is against the law to carry fireworks in public if you are under 18.
- It is an offence to throw or set-off a firework in the street or public place. This could result in prosecution and a fine of up to £5000.
- Fireworks must not be sold to anyone under 18.
- It is an offence to let fireworks off during night hours (11pm to 7am) except on Bonfire Night (midnight).
- It is an offence to take items from a property/garden (such as furniture) that has been left for refuge collection.
- Wheelie Bins are not free. If you take one away and destroy it you have committed a crime.

Fireworks Code:

- Stand well back.
- Never go back to a lit firework, even if it hasn't gone off, it could still explode.
- Never throw or put fireworks in your pocket.
- Always supervise smaller children around fireworks.

	THE FIREWORK CODE
	l. Only buy fireworks over the counter from reputable etailers.
2	2. Only an adult should handle and light fireworks.
3	. Fireworks should be kept in a closed box.
	. An adult should read and follow the instructions for ighting fireworks carefully.
5	. Fireworks should be lit at arm's length.
6	6. Always stand well back.
7	. Never go back to a light firework.
8	. Never put fireworks in your pocket.
9). Never throw fireworks.
	#BetterBonfire

FINAL REMINDER YEAR 6 PARENTS - Application for a Secondary School Place – September 2024

As you will be aware, your child is due to transfer to secondary school in September next year. The application process will be open on 5 September 2023. You will need to read the School Admissions online guidance for parents which is located on the School Admissions web page. This contains essential information that will help you in making your child's application. The guidance is available on our website www.durham.gov.uk/schooladmissions You must only complete one application and this must be to the Local Authority to which you pay your council tax (i.e. Home Local Authority).

If you live in County Durham, you need to complete an application to tell us which school you want your child to attend. You should list up to 3 school preferences and applying for just 1 school Does Not improve your chances of gaining a place at that school. You can apply for any school/academy in County Durham or in another Local Authority area.

Please apply on-line at www.durham.gov.uk/schooladmissions When you apply on-line you will receive an acknowledgement and you will be offered a school place for your child by email on 1 March 2024. Please save your log-in details as you may need these at a later date.

Please note that school places are allocated according to specific criteria which are different depending upon which school you apply for your child to attend. One criterion is "nearest school". If you wish to know your nearest school, please contact us.

If your child's offer of a school place is for an oversubscribed school (i.e. where there are more applications for a school than places available) we will offer your child a school place based on the child's/parent's address. We may request information on the child's/parent's address when we offer a school place and the onus will be on you to prove your address if asked.

If you do not wish to apply on-line, you can contact the School Admissions Team by email or telephone to request a form. Email: schooladmissions@durham.gov.uk or telephone

03000 265 896. Your application must be received by us at the address below by the closing date. We strongly advise you to return the application form to us by "Royal Mail Signed for™" or "Royal Mail Special Delivery Guaranteed". If you complete a paper application form you will receive a letter to inform you of the school place offered to your child on the 1 March 2024.

Please note for both on-line applications and paper application forms, you will be required to read the disclaimer and sign/tick the box to agree that the information you provide on the application form is complete and correct otherwise the offer of a school place will be withdrawn.

The closing date for receipt for on-line/paper application forms is 31 October 2023.

Yours sincerely DCC School Places and Admissions Team.

Christian Values

We are exploring the value of endurance this half term and worship will be led by Mr Rumbles, Fr. Peter, Mrs Matthews, Fr. Bill and our Key Stage Two pupils.

Further information on the value of endurance:

Endurance - is recognition that life is sometimes difficult and painful, and that it is important not to give up in the face of adversity.

Jesus endured rejection, abuse and the cross, and his followers are warned that they may well have to share that pain as persecution took hold. Discipleship is depicted as 'taking up the cross daily' and following in Jesus' footsteps (Luke 9:23).

We would like our children to continue their reflection and experience at home.

Some things to think about:

- How do we give pupils a better appreciation of the difficult situations that many people in the world have to endure and of the courage and resilience they show in the face of them?
- How do you help pupils understand that some things are worth working for even though they do not bring immediate results? How do we develop patience?
- What encourages and inspires you to persevere through difficult times in life?

If you would like to receive a copy of the Weekly Bulletin by e-mail please e-mail the school. <u>Shincliffece@durhamlearning.net</u> The Weekly Bulletins from previous weeks can be found in the parents' section of the website.

UK Health Security Agency

Should I keep my child off school? Yes

Until	
at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over	
48 hours after their last episode	
they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.	
their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics	
4 days after the rash first appeared	
5 days after the swelling started	
they've had their first treatment	
24 hours after they started taking antibiotics	
48 hours after they started taking antibiotics	



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but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever	
Head lice	Tonsillitis	
Threadworms	Slapped cheek	



Advice and guidance To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit https://grco.de/minfec.



For parents/ carers of children and young people with additional needs / disabilities in County Durham.



"MCT DURHAM PCF XXX"



The 30th friendly and informative parent carer conference organised by *Parents*.

To help inform and support you with the latest changes in Education, Health, and Social Care. YOUR opinion matters!

Wednesday 22nd November 2023.

10am- 2.30pm

Ramside Hall Hotel, Carrville, Durham. DH1 1TD

Information Stands and Registration from 9.30am.

All places must be booked in advance via Eventbrite.

Link to booking a place - HERE

Or find it on our website news section or via our Facebook page - "MCT Durham PCF - Durham parent carer page".

This conference is free. Refreshments and meal are included, places are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.







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Half term Holiday Camps

Multi-sports (5 - 12 years)

30 October - 3 November



durham.ac.uk/holiday-camps

Sports and Wellbeing Park, Stockton Road, Durham, DH1 3SE Free onsite car parking



LK OCTOBER HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUB HALLOVEEN FUN

PACKED WEEK

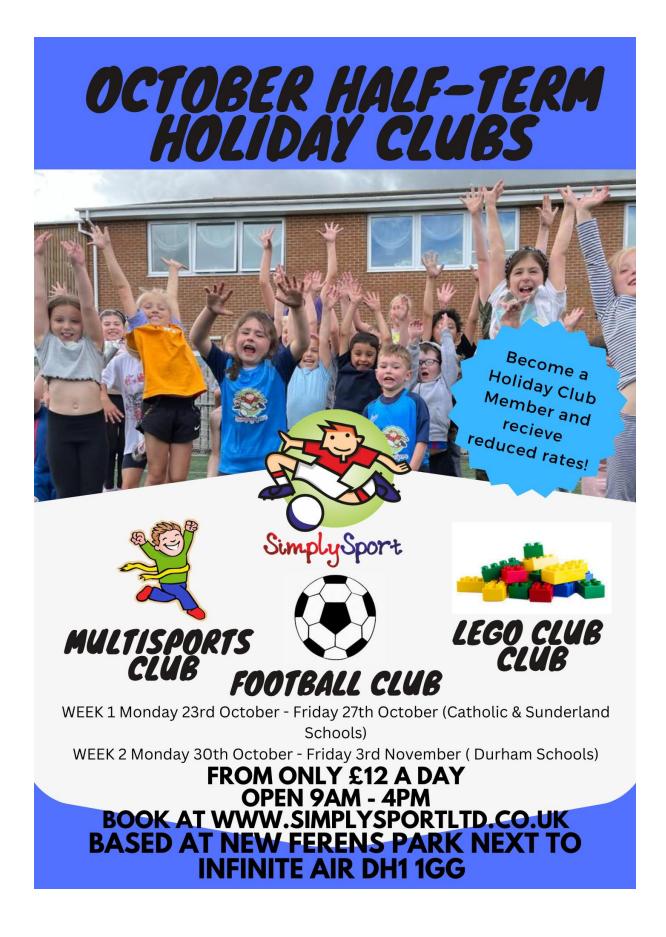
BOW SCHOOL, DURHAM 8.30AM-4.00PM £15 PER DAY PRIMARY AGED CHILDREN



30TH OCTOBER – 3RD NOVEMBER Please book via the link below: https://bookwhen.com/Lkhealthandwellbeing

or contact Leanne on: 07834205866 Ikhealthandwellbeing@outlook.com

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CAMHS Training Programme for Parents & Carers

The workshops are delivered live via Microsoft teams and free of charge for all parents and carers in Teesside (child does not need to be open to CAMHS)

Available sessions include:

- Understanding Anxiety
- Understanding Emotional Wellbeing
 Understanding ADHD
- Understanding Eating Disorders
- Typical Vs Atypical Sexual Development & Risk
- Understanding Self-harm
- Understanding ASD
- Understanding Sleep



To access the CAMHS parents and carers workshops, please contact: TEWV.CAMHS-Training@nhs.net And provide the following information:

- Which workshop(s) and date you would like to access
- Which locality you live
- Your name
- Email address
- The school(s) your child(ren) attend
- Age(s) of your child(ren)





Understanding Why Children Might Be Anxious About School

This is an awareness session to increase understanding of why children might be anxious about school, identify potential triggers and look at available support and strategies. This session is suitable for parents/carers of all school aged children but may be of limited value to parents of children with more complex needs

Tuesday 26th September-09:30-11:30

Anxiety (Two groups) this session looks at what anxiety is, what the triggers might be, how to identify it and how we can support our children and young people. *Tuesday 10th October 09:30-11:30—Over 11 years*

Tuesday 24th October 09:30-11:30 — 5-11 years

Emotional Wellbeing This session will focus on emotional wellbeing, what is it and how can we improve it for ourselves and our children.

Tuesday 14th November 09:30-11:30

To book places please email <u>tewv.countydurhamcamhstraining@nhs.net</u> or scan the QR code below to access the Trust website for further details. Please state which sessions (and dates) you'd like to attend. The sessions are aimed at parents of school aged children but parents of younger/older children are very welcome. The sessions will be led by a CAMHS trainer and will run on Microsoft TEAMS. If you have any additional needs, please mention this in the booking email.







Together for Better Darlington Parent Cover Forum www.darlingtonpcf.co.uk www.dccarers.or

www.dccarers.org Tel: 0300 0051213

www.mcddurham.co.uk



Child to Parent Violence and Aggression We will consider models of aggression in children and young people and identify key influencing factors. We will look to apply these models of aggression and consider them within the family / parent context and explore how aggression can become a pattern in households.

Wednesday 6th December 1:30pm-3:30pm

NEW SESSION—Understanding Sleep This workshop will provide an understanding of sleep cycles and importance of good sleep hygiene and routine. We will look at why sleep problems may occur for young people, possible causes and look at strategies to help your child develop good sleep habits.

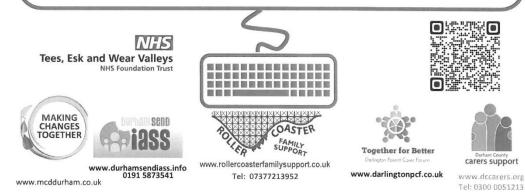
Wednesday 11th October 1:30pm-3:00pm

NEW SESSION—Understanding Behaviour Development in Children and

Young People This session will look at behavioural norms in the developing child and how adult behaviour influences this. We will look at the challenges parents and carers may face and how they can support their children and young people to develop resilience and manage risk as they grow to adulthood and independence

Tuesday 17th October 1:30pm-3:45pm

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Starting School

Will your child turn 5 between 1 September 2024 and 31 August 2025?

If so, you need to complete an application online to tell us which school you would like your child to attend from September 2024.

Visit **www.durham.gov.uk/primaryschoolplaces** where you can access a useful guide to help with your application. The easiest way to apply is online, if you are unable to apply online, paper application forms are available on request.

You still need to apply even if your child attends the nursery unit attached to the school, or already has a sibling at the school. You will also need to apply for a place in Year 3 in a junior school for an older child.

Applications open 5 September 2023 and close midnight 15 January 2024.

For more information please contact

School Places and Admissions Team www.durham.gov.uk/schooladmissions 03000 265896

