



Head Teacher Mr L Gallon

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A snapshot of learning at Farne....The Beavers are Back!

Last Friday, Year 1 and 2 pupils from both Cheviot and Farne enjoyed a visit from 'The Beavers'. The idea behind the workshop is to encourage pupils to write about their experiences through a range of writing genre, such as recount, description and stories. A fabulous time was had by all and the Beavers reported that they were very impressed with all of the children!



Year 5 Medieval French Dance

Year 5 composed and performed a fantastic dance last week called '*Danse Macabre*' (Dance of Death) to parents and carers.



Safer Internet Day

Thursday 9th February is Safer Internet Day. All pupils will be given a safety talk about keeping safe online (appropriate to their age) and enjoy learning experiences centred around this year's theme of '**Be The Change: Unite For A Better Internet**'. A workshop about Internet Safety for parents/carers will also take place on **Friday 10th February from 9am-9.30am** (with tea/coffee) in our school hall. If you have any questions or concerns please come along to this workshop, which will be delivered by Julian Hughes, (our educational ICT consultant).

School Places for September 2017

Places for our Reception class should be allocated on 18th April. Year 6 parents and carers will be informed on March 1st (by the Civic Centre) about Year 7 places.

After School Clubs

Thursday's Multi Skills, Dance and Art Clubs will be **CANCELLED** next week (**Thursday 16th Feb**), due to the Valentine's Disco. All other clubs will be on as usual next week.

Attendance from September 2016 to 3.2.17	
Year Group	Attendance
Reception	96.1%
Year 1	98.1%
Year 2	94%
Year 3	96.4%
Year 4	95.7%
Year 5	94.3%
Year 6	94%
School Total	95.6%
School Target	96%

Valentine's Disco

The Friends of Farne have organised a Valentine's Disco for pupils from 3.15-5pm on Thursday 16th February. Tickets will be £1 and available from **Tuesday 7th February** from the school office. Raffle tickets to win a Valentine's Hamper will be on sale tomorrow too at 50p per strip.



Staff Updates

Mrs Hood left our school last month to spend more time with her family and in her place we have Mr Wilson, working in Year 3. Miss Lockhart will be supporting teaching and learning in Year 2.

Mrs Watson is still poorly and in her place we have Miss Burchell working in our Pufflings (every morning) and in our Reception class on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons.

Mrs Thompson is our new SENDco and she will be working in our school on Wednesday mornings, all day Thursday and Friday mornings. Mrs Thompson replaces Mrs Nimmins and is working with pupils across the school.

Mr Gallon continues to support Cheviot Primary School this term, working as their interim Headteacher.

**Thank you for your continued support.
Mr L P Gallon Headteacher.**

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February	
14 th	Parent/Carer Consultation Evening
15 th	Parent/Carer Consultation Evening
17 th	Break up for Half Term
27 th	Pupils return to school
March	
22 nd	Mother's Day Lunch Day 1
23 rd	Mother's Day Lunch Day 2
April	
3 rd	Going 4 Gold Spring Assembly (Invite Only)
7 th	Pupils break up for Easter Holidays
24 th	Pupils return to school on this day
May	
8 th	Year 6 SATS week (Monday 8 th - Thursday 12 th May)
22 nd	Y5 Y6 Broomley Grange week!
26 th	Break up for Half Term
June	
5 th	Pupils return to school on this day
14 th	Dine with Dad Day 1
15 th	Dine with Dad Day 2
23 rd	Healthy Fun Day (PE kits needed)
July	
3 rd	Year 6 Kenton Transition Week 1
10 th	Year 6 Kenton Transition Week 2
18 th	Summer Fayre (details tbc)
19 th	Nursery Red + Green Sports Day 1pm (both groups)
20 th	Key Stage 1 Sports Day 9.30-11.30
	Key Stage 2 Sports Day 1-3pm
21 st	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 9.30am
	Break up for Summer Holidays

Parent/Carer Survey Results 2017

As promised in the last newsletter, please find attached the survey from our annual parent and carer school questionnaire. Overwhelmingly, responses were very positive again this year about our wonderful school.

Please remember however, that if you are unhappy about any issue in school, you can always come into school to talk about it. We have an 'Open Door Policy' which means we will always find time to listen to your concerns or comments.

Parent/Carer Open Evenings

A quick reminder.... Open Evenings are on **Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th February**. Sign up sheets will be in the school hall from today (please sign up after 3.10pm!)