



LANCHESTER E.P. (Cont.) PRIMARY SCHOOL



Weekly Bulletin 2 – Friday 9th November 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would just like to say a huge thank you to all the choir and yourselves for last Friday night when they sang at the Remembrance Service at Consett Empire Theatre. I thought the children sang superbly and were just wonderful ambassadors for our school. Thank you for all of the support of parents and carers too.

Lisa Shaw from Radio Newcastle had a lovely afternoon in school with our children this week. She loved returning to her old school and thoroughly enjoyed the company of our children! She said she will let us know when this is due to be broadcast – one will be in the next few weeks and there will also be another which will go out nearer to Christmas.

It was lovely to see so many of you come to the Open Day on Wednesday morning and evening this week. I do hope you found it informative and helpful in making a decision for your child's future. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to ask! You are about to make the most important decision for your child so far!

Week Beginning Monday 12th November – Health and Well-Being Enrichment Week

We are holding a number of additional activities and lessons across school next week as we embark on our Health and Well-Being Enrichment Week. Different year groups will be taking part in a variety of lessons in their classes on keeping themselves safe and happy – this is both from a physical and emotional perspective. I am sure you will agree that this is an exceptionally important part of a child's learning.

Monday 12th and Tuesday 13th November – Erasmus+ Visit

Miss Hawke, Miss Rippon and Mrs Davis are travelling to our partner school in Ajka, Hungary next week for a transnational meeting. Whilst at our partner school, arrangements will be finalised with the Hungarian, German and Italian teachers for the children's visit to Germany during the summer term.

Monday 12th November – First Aid Training for Year 6

Our Year 6 children will receive some basic first aid training from 'First Aid for Life' on Monday. This is a really important life skill and I am sure they will all benefit from the training.

Monday 12th November – Open Evening for New Nursery Starters

Our open evening for our new Nursery starters takes place from 3.30pm until 4.30pm on Monday 12th November. Please remind any parents who have Nursery children starting in January to come along on Monday evening. Thank you.

Tuesday 13th November – Year 2 Trip to Wheelbirks

Year 2 are visiting Wheelbirks at Stocksfield as part of their Geography topic this half term. During their time there they will see how food gets 'From Farm to Fork' and will finish their day by sampling some of their ice cream!

Thursday 15th November - Year 6 at Newton Aycliffe

Year 6 are visiting The Work Place at Newton Aycliffe for a 'Safer Lives' Day, formally known as the Safety Carousel. There is a carousel of workshops based around the safety of water, electricity, internet and fire. All children need to be in school uniform and will need a packed lunch. They will leave school at 9am and return in time for the end of the school day.

Thursday 15th November - Anti Bullying/Now Press Play Workshop

We are holding a free anti-bullying week workshop immersive experience with Now Press Play on Thursday 15th November from 1.30pm until 3pm for local schools. If you know any school who might be interested in bringing a group of pupils along to this, let us know! A group of our children will also be working with the teachers and children from the other schools, demonstrating how the Now Press Play headsets work. I am sure that this will be another great experience for all.

Friday 16th November – Children in Need Day

We are supporting Children in Need on Friday 16th November and asking our children to come to school in non-uniform in exchange for £1 donation.

Foundation Stage News

A huge thank you to everyone who took part in this year's fundraising Treasure Hunt. You have helped to raise just over £480 which will be spent on resources to enhance outdoor learning. We look forward to letting you know how the money will be spent.

Thanks to all of you who have been in contact about 2BuildaProfile. We still have quite a few email addresses that have not been confirmed and are busy working through them to ensure all accounts are activated. In the meantime, we are continuing to add observations to your child's learning journals to which you will hopefully soon have access.

New Staff

I am delighted to inform you that we have appointed Mr Robbie McLoughlin as our new cleaner, Mrs Stephanie Shaw as a Lunchtime Supervisory Assistant and Miss Kate Pugh who will be working in our Nursery. I know that they will all be a great addition to our team and that the children enjoy getting to know them over the next few weeks.

As usual, if there is anything at all that you would like to talk about, or that is concerning you, please do not hesitate to contact me at school. We are here to help you and your child. We aim to send out the half term newsletter next week with all the important diary dates on for our Christmas activities so please keep a look out for it!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Jane Davis
Head Teacher