

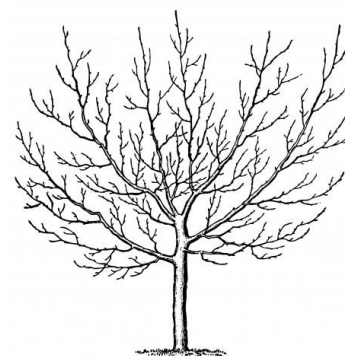
SOUTH GOSFORTH FIRST SCHOOL  
NEWSLETTER  
24.11.17

Dear Parents and Carers

It is about time for another update from school.

Firstly a polite request...

Please could parents make sure their children walk their cycles in and out of the school grounds and scooter **slowly**. The pathway is too narrow for pedestrians to avoid the children when they are moving quickly and we have had several near misses and some injuries. It is vital that children stay under the supervision of their parents or carers to ensure their safety and the safety of others. Thank you



We have been aware that in various ways we have been asking you to put your hand into your pocket, purse or wallet and donate towards either school events or National charities. We are always aware that it is not always possible to donate at the times at which these events happen and we would always encourage families to contribute where and when it suits them.

Thank you so much for your generosity and support.

- Halloween (or alternative ) costume day: £147.00



- Year 2 Coffee morning.
- This had a very different focus for the children and their parents and was so successful. £274.00
- Children in Need. This was a busy day in which we all walked or ran a mile and bought lots of cakes and raised an amazing £609.00



Reception Coffee morning: £124.00

The PTA are currently working hard to organise our Christmas Fair and parents are contributing towards hampers and the tombola. Thank you so much for everything you have sent to school so far – we do appreciate the incredible generosity of our community and we will look forward to seeing you at the fair on Saturday 2nd.

School is working with the PTA and interested parents to plan improvements to the outside space and it is intended that a significant amount of the money raised this year will benefit all of our children by making the yard a more pleasant (and less muddy) place to play.

#### Smart Walking for Year 4

Year 4 spent some time working with the team of pedestrian trainers and school staff. These are essential skills that will support them as they transfer to middle school.



### Class Assembly

Class 3 / 4 C shared some of their learning from their first half term in school. They were well supported by their families and thoroughly enjoyed being in the limelight. Thank you class 3 / 4C

### STEM visit (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths)

For the second year we were invited to send group of Year 4 girls to Westfield School for Girls. They took part in various STEM activities and thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Thank you to Westfield.

### Reception Eye Screening and The Flu 'sniffs'

We have welcomed several groups of people into school recently – and have had wonderful feedback about our children who have been polite, friendly and generally very well behaved. The flu 'sniffs' went without a hitch – well done everyone.

As you will appreciate this is a very busy time in school and we are all looking forward to seeing lots of you in school for Christmas performances. Please do look after your tickets and bring them with you to the performance.

Future events:

- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> – Reception Hearing Tests
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> – Reception Hearing Tests
- Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> – Year One Information Evening 5.30 pm

- Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> – Bike it Breakfast 8.15 – 8.55 (tickets now available from the School Office)
- Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December – Christmas Fair
- Performances – Please see school calendar on our website for dates and times

Have a lovely weekend  
Mrs Elliott and everyone here at school.