



NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2018

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| Tuesday 16 th | World Food Day - Collecting for West Tynedale Food Bank |
| Thursday 18 th | PTA Movie Night |
| Thursday 25 th | Parents Open Afternoon 3pm PTA Cake & Uniform Sale Maths Information Evening 5:30- 6:30pm Break up for Half Term |
| Friday 26 th | Teacher Training Day |
| November | |
| Monday 5 th | Reassemble after half term Parent Consultation Week Trail of Poppies to be created by school for Remembrance Sunday |
| Sunday 11 th | Remembrance Sunday |
| Tuesday 13 th | World Kindness Day |
| Wednesday 14 th | Year 4 Worship for parents 2:45pm Termly Governors Meeting |
| Friday 16 th | Children in Need |
| Wednesday 21 st - Tue 27 th | Road Safety Week |
| Thursday 22 nd | School Nurse in -Nasal Flu Sprays |
| Wednesday 28 th | Years 3 & 4 visit Great North Museum |
| December | |
| Wednesday 12 th | Crystal Conundrum Day (Maths) |
| Thursday 13 th | School Christmas Dinner PTA Pantomime - The Snow Bear Parish Hall |
| Monday 17 th | Whole School Winter Walk |
| Tuesday 18 th | Nativity at St James Church 2:30pm & 5:30pm |
| Wed 19 th | Reception/Year 1 & 2 Christmas Party |
| Thursday 20 th | Year 3 & 4 Christmas Party |
| Friday 21 st | School Breaks up for Christmas Holidays |

Harvest Festival - Thank you so much for your generosity in donating **£184** to our Harvest Festival collection, this money has been sent to Farm Africa. We managed to fill up 3 wellies!

Pet Show - We do hope you all enjoyed our first ever pet show. The high standard of entries made it difficult to judge! Again we would like to thank you in donating **£32** which will be sent off to the World Wildlife Fund.

West Tynedale Food Bank Collection - Next Tuesday 16th October is World Food Day and we will be talking to the children about how lucky they are to have such a wealth of foods to eat. We would like

to support the Tynedale Food Bank, so if any children would like to bring in donations of a tin/packet/box of food we will be donating them all to this charity. Please send in any donations from today onwards.

PTA Film Club Thursday 18th October The PTA are putting on another movie night which was well attended and hugely enjoyed by all last time. Please return your forms to the school office if you wish to purchase tickets for your child. Cost, just £5 which includes cinema style snacks.

🍰 There will be a Cake & Uniform Sale on Thursday 25th October in the school yard from 3:15. Any cake donations can be brought into school on the morning of. Thank you.

Open Afternoon - Just a reminder that on Thursday 25th October from 3pm parents are able to come to class to view their children's books and children can tell you about their learning so far.

Maths Information Evening - Thursday 25th October 5:30pm-6:30pm

Maths teaching has changed greatly over the years and sometimes methods that children now use can be quite confusing for parents. To help you understand maths in school now, we would like to invite all parents to school to learn a little more about how children are taught maths in school and to see some of the resources they can use.

Training Day - Please remember Friday 26th October is a staff training day therefore school is closed to pupils.

Parents Evenings- These will be held the week after half term but sign up sheets will be put up w/b 22nd October in yard.

School Breaks up for Half Term on Thursday 25th October and will return Monday 5th November.

Please see letter below from the Parish Council regarding Old Playground - Parking Issues

We would like to highlight to parents and carers of children attending Broomhaugh First School an issue which is affecting the school transport for older children attending Corbridge Middle School (CMS) and to ask for your help to resolve this problem.

For many years, children attending CMS and QEHS have been collected each morning from the Old Playground and dropped off again there on an afternoon. Numbers attending CMS have risen in the last two years and the bus company is now using a 70-seater coach for the school run which requires a large turning circle. There were a number of occasions during the last school year when cars parked on Whiteside Bank and the Old Playground prevented the bus from accessing the drop off point thus causing the County Council to make the decision to alter the afternoon drop off point to the main road, outside the Wellington pub.

Parents are concerned about the safety of young children alighting from the bus at this location which has poor sight lines for crossing the road, and traffic picking up speed once past the speed camera.

As a short term solution, and with immediate effect, we would like to ask anyone collecting children by car to NOT park in the hatched area highlighted red on the map below, between the following times:

08:00 - 08:40

15:30 - 16:00

Cars can still park perpendicular to the Spinney wall and there is ample parking further up Whiteside Bank or on Church Close and Meadow Park.

If it can be shown that we can keep this area clear, then the County Council will reassess their decision and hopefully agree to the bus reverting to its old route.

Long term, County Councillor Anne Dale has been working with the County Council and it is hoped that a crossing on the A695 will be installed within the next 12-18 months.

We thank you for your cooperation.

Broomhaugh & Riding Parish Council

