

Preston Grange Primary School



Newsletter - October 10th 2018

Before school

A reminder that there should be NO child on the yard before **8.45am** unless they are in Nursery or are on their way to breakfast club. Thanks for your support with this matter.



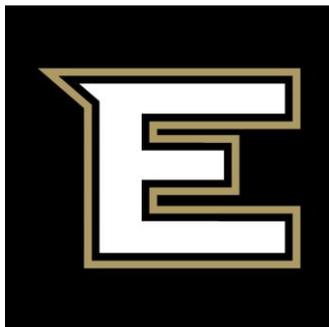
Harvest

Next Thursday we are having coffee mornings and afternoons. If you are able to help at any one of the sessions, we would be very grateful if you would contact the school office. We don't currently have many volunteers to serve coffee and help during the sessions. Many thanks.

Non-uniform day

This Friday 12th, we will be having a non-uniform day, and in return we would ask if you could send into school any items that we may use on a tombola and raffle stall at the Harvest Festival. Thank you so much!

Basketball game



On Friday 19th October our school basketball team will be playing at the half time at the Newcastle Eagles game at Sport Central, Newcastle. Tickets are available at a cost of £5 each, this includes team members and children also.

We have arranged for a coach to collect families from school at 6.15pm, and return to school leaving Newcastle at 9.15pm. If you've already submitted, please can you confirm the total number of tickets you need, plus how many seats you would like on the bus, thank you.

Breakfast Club

To comply with Health and Safety regulations and to ensure that our staffing to pupil ratios are correct, there is a limit to the number of children that we are allowed to take into Breakfast Club.

Recently, in addition to an increase in numbers attending, there is an increasing number of parents who either don't or forget to use the online booking system and just walk into breakfast club. If we have no notice of these extra children attending,

breakfast club can be full and when there is not the correct staffing to pupil ratios, it does not allow us to take in these children if they have not been on the list.

Consequently, as from Monday 15th October, children who haven't been booked in will not be allowed to attend and will be turned away.

If you are experiencing difficulty in booking please contact Mrs Royle who will be able to assist you. Please note, paying in advance with childcare vouchers does not guarantee your child's place, you still need to book online. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

School Councillors

Our councillors have now been chosen by the children in their class. Miss Knowles will be running the school council, and will meet with the children regularly to get their opinions and views on all aspects of school life.

The children will collect ideas after a discussion with their teacher and class, then take these suggestions back to Miss Knowles at the next meeting. In Summer term, the School Council voted for new recycling bins for the yard. Great suggestion, it is making it a lot easier at playtimes!

Here are this year's school councilors:

Reception: Oliver Cassells, Lottie Donaghy

Year 1: Sophie Harrison, Ani Ramesh

Year 2: Isabella Wilary, Aiden Nish

Year 3: Lacey Dickinson, Bradley Hatch, Ismah Alam, Noah Crass

Year 4: Josh Dowdell, Brooke Nolan, Erin Ponton, Matteo Treviling

Year 5: Neve Brown, Darcy Ridgway, Erin Gibson, Leo Glaholm

Year 6: Hayden Dunning, Daniel Fawson, Owen Ramsey, Taylor Leadbitter

Nursery

At half term, we are having a canopy built outside Nursery, covering some of the outdoor quad area so that the children will be able to have outdoor play in all weather! We think that this will be a fantastic addition to the outdoor provision for Nursery.

Reading meetings

Thank you to all Nursery & Reception families who attended the recent reading meetings. If you were unable to attend, please contact your child's teacher for a copy of the information that they discussed at the session.

If you read just **one** book a day to your child, they will have been read **1825** books by their 5th birthday.

Every Day Counts.

Every Book Counts.

Thank you!!

We'd like to say a HUGE thank you to the fantastic Friends of Preston Grange, for their hard work in fundraising for our school constantly. They have bought outdoor play equipment for the children at playtimes this term, plus cushions for our new reading tipi which the children requested. (shown here) They will also be funding book storage and fairy lights for the tipi.



If you are interested in helping the Friends, please leave your name with Mrs Royle in the office. We are always grateful for additional help. Thanks again to the Friends!

Our school football team

A BIG thank you to Simon Brown for his time, recently running trials and selecting our school football team! Well done to all of the boys selected; it is always a very tricky decision and there are never enough places for everyone. Thanks to all that attended the trials. Selected for the team:

Charlie Hunn, Dan Aitken, Jack Beck, Leo Glaholm, Daniel Fawson (not shown here), Jake Richmond, Joe Hunn, Owen Ramsey, Lewis Longstaff (not shown here), Matthew Tremble

With a training squad of...Ashton Williamson, Ryan Allen, Shriram Sathish & Deacon Blackley In addition to the children shown here, we will have a girls football team too!



Tracey Taylor, Headteacher, October 10th 2018