

LANCHESTER E.P. (Cont.) PRIMARY SCHOOL



Weekly Bulletin 3 - Friday 29th September 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have a very busy week in school next week with our first creativity week based around Reading, the arrival of our Book Fair and a number of different events taking place. Hopefully you will be able to come along to some of them.

Monday 2nd October – Girls Football Team in Action

Our girls' football team are playing at Delves Lane Primary School on Monday 2nd October. They are doing exceptionally well and playing so well as a team. Keep it up!

Tuesday 3rd October - Play in a Day for Year 3 (Mr Stephenson's class)

Lisa Moffatt from the Lynx Theatre Company is coming to school on Tuesday to work with Mr Stephenson's class. Starting with a drama workshop, this then leads to rehearsals and then a performance at the end of the day for the other children. The children will learn how to project their voice, act and work together.

Tuesday 3rd October at 2.15 pm - Online Safety Talk for Parents

At 2.15 on Tuesday afternoon, parents will be invited into school to learn a little more about how to keep your child safe online. Mr Bailey will help you learn a little more about this very important topic which is essential for us all to know. Tea and coffee will be available and following this, at 3 p.m., the Book Fair will be open in the Junior Hall.

Tuesday 3rd October - Book Fair Open: 3 – 4 pm in Junior Hall

Our book fair will be open in the Junior Hall from 3-4 pm for sales. Feel free to come before collecting your child at home time for early Christmas present purchases, or bring your child along once they have finished school. The school receives 60% commission on all sales so it really helps boost our reading resources across school too!

Tuesday 3rd October - Meeting in School at 6 p.m. re possible PTA

We pride ourselves on having a really good relationship with our parents and we really do work well as a partnership. However, we have never been able to establish an active Parent Teacher Association. So, if you are interested in being part of such a group of people, please come to school at 6 p.m. on Tuesday where we can talk about the opportunities and possibilities. It will be great to see you there.

Wednesday 4th October – Play in a Day for Year 3 (Mrs Coyle's class)

Mrs Coyle's class will enjoy a day working with Lisa, starting with a drama workshop, leading to rehearsals and then a performance at the end of the day for the other children.

Wednesday 4th October - Harvest Festival for Foundation Stage & Year 1

Our younger children will be celebrating Harvest in school on Wednesday. We are asking all children to donate an item of food which we will then be able to donate to the People's Kitchen in Newcastle and to local food banks.

Wednesday 4th October – Glass Cross Project

Janet from the Crushed Chilli Glass Gallery will be working with Miss Jackson and all of the Art Leaders from Y2 – Y6 to design and create a beautiful glass cross for the new entrance to our school. It is going to be based on our Easter Service of a cross of daffodils – representing new life. I am sure this will be a very special creation which the Art Leaders will thoroughly enjoy being part of.

Wednesday 4th October – Boys 'A' Football Team in Action

Our boys 'A' football team are playing at St Mary's on Wednesday 4th October. Again, they really are loving their games and are representing the school with such good sportsmanship.

Thursday 5th October – Harvest Festival in All Saints Church for Years 2 – 6 at 10 a.m.

All parents and families are welcome to join us for our Harvest Festival Service starting at 10 a.m. which will be led by Year 4. We are asking children to bring some items of food in that we can donate to the People's Kitchen in Newcastle and to local food banks. Alternatively, monetary donations can also be made at the end of the service.

Thursday 5th October – Fairy-tale and Superhero's Dinner

This is a special menu for our Book Fair Week and one which we are inviting all children to enjoy. For this occasion, if children wish, they can dress up in character for the day. Nursery, Reception and Year 1 children can come to school in their fancy dress (no weapons of any sort though please!!) and any children in Years 2 – 6 can bring their costume to change into for lunchtime, after the Harvest Festival Service. Please note, that if children are not dressing up, then school uniform must be worn. Thank you. This offer of dinner is only open to Nursery children who currently stay in school over the lunchtime period.

Thursday 5th & Friday 6th October – Coffee Afternoon at 2.30 p.m.

Our book fair will be open at the coffee afternoon on Thursday from 2.30 until 4 pm. Come along and join us for a coffee and a chat!

Nursery News

Stories for this week in Nursery are 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt', 'Aargh! Spider!', 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff', 'The Disgusting Sandwich' and 'Some Dogs Do'. Our Song of the Week is 'Five Little Men in a Flying Saucer'. All children now have their own trays in Nursery. Please check these every day and take home their fantastic work. Can we also remind everybody to clearly label their child's clothes/shoes so they can be matched up with their owners at the end of the session? Thank you.

Old £1 coins

Please note that we will not be able to accept any of the old £1 coins in school after next Friday. Thank you.

Gibside Overnight Visit for Years 3 & 4

An overnight visit has been organised for Years 3 & 4 at the Stables at Gibside, National Trust on Monday and Tuesday 18th and 19th June 2018. A parents' information session will be held after half tem with prices and itinerary but I wanted to give you some advance warning.

Parents Evenings: Reception - Year 6

Parents Evenings will be available to book via eSchools from Monday 2nd October. The dates for these are Tuesday 17th October and Wednesday 18th October from 3.45 – 6.00pm. You should also be able to access this booking system from the eSchools app for the first time. If you need your eSchools log in details, or would like a member of the Office Team to book you an appointment, please email school.office@lanchesterep.net and they will do their best to help.

Nursery Parents Evenings

Nursery Parents Evenings will also be held on Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th October. Information of the times available will be given to parents next week, and these will be available to book on eSchools from Wednesday 4th October.

Advance Notice

The children have been asked to sing at Blackhill Methodist Church, Consett on the afternoon of **Saturday 4th November at 3 p.m**. We will be rehearsing over the next few weeks and hope to be able to present a concert with a variety of music (including some Yanomamo songs from last year!). Please keep this date free!

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.