



October 2018

More than half way through our first half term and there is so much to celebrate and so much to look forward to in the remaining 2 weeks. I am immensely proud of the positive attitude of all school council nominees and I know that the voters had a very difficult job choosing the council members for their class. There is a section on the elections later in the newsletter. Thank you to those parents who attended the EYFS reading information events and those who attended the Robinwood information event. We hope the information is useful to you and helps you to support your child. A huge thank you to all who supported the MacMillan coffee and cake morning on Friday. Once again you have been incredibly generous and helped us to raise £150.00. Your baking talents leave me speechless and I really think many of you should enter GBBO!

We have hosted two Teaching School events recently which has meant that there have been visitors in school. I am extremely proud of pupils and staff for the calm and respectful way they have moved around school and I have received many positive comments from Headteachers and school leaders. Letters have been sent out advising families of our new Twitter accounts. Please follow us as it provides an added opportunity for you to keep up to date with your child's activities in school.

Mrs Shaw

Attendance

Our current whole school attendance is **96.1%** which is slightly below our target of 96.5%

w/c	Whole School	Winning Class	% (of winning class)
3/9/2018	93.8%	REC RE	99.4%
10/9/2018	97.4%	3GL 4JH 5JG	100%
17/9/2018	95.4%	IBK 4BD	100%
24/9/2018	94%	13RB	99%

Fiddler's Green Memorial

On Sunday 23rd September our fantastic school choir were invited to open the Fiddlers Green event at North Shields Fish Quay. We were proud to have been asked to open this important local event which commemorates the anniversary of the Fiddlers Green sculpture which is a memorial to those fishermen who headed out to sea from North Shields and never returned. Choir sang for 25 minutes ending their slot with the Fiddler's Green Folk song. They performed brilliantly! A huge thank you to all families to gave up their time on a sunny Sunday morning to bring their child to this event. All choir members were given fruit and a drink and free rides!



Macmillan Coffee Morning

On Friday 28th September we hosted the Annual New York Family Bake Off. Thank you to all our families who took part and donated their cakes to the Coffee Morning. A grand total of £153.27 was raised which will be sent to the Macmillan Cancer Support charity.

Once again there were so many possible entries but our chosen winners belonged to: The Dunn family, the Kerr family, The Millers, the Dickinson's, The Hendleman family, the Leylands and the Henry family. We are already looking forward to next year's bake off!



School Council Elections

On Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th September we held our School Council Elections. Well done to everybody who stood in front of their year group and made a speech. Mrs Shaw announced the results in assembly and your new School Council members are:

Year 1 - Cerys McNeil Watson and Kai Derkaoui

Year 2 - Lacey Storey and Zak Hunter

Year 3 - Lexi Spellman and Oscar Blight

Year 4 - Maisie Lough and Josh Scott

Year 5 - Amy Dowse and Ethan Sykes

Year 6 - Olivia Hendleman and Jayden Jackson.

We have a new twitter account @NYPSSchoolCounl - follow us to keep up to date with what we are doing.

OPAL update

Opal would like to say a massive thank you to our caretaker, who was very busy over the summer holidays building our train, we are loving it! The School Council has created and voted for the official names of our train and boat. Congratulations to Rosie Fleming whose name of 'The New York Flyer' has been chosen for our train and to Amy Dowse whose name of 'HMS Achiever' has been chosen for the boat. If you haven't seen them yet, please come and have a look.

Last week, our OPAL shed also arrived, but sadly blew down in the wind, boxes are on order but we need them filled. Please have a look at our OPAL wish list to see if there is anything you can help with or put us in touch with someone who could help. Please follow us on our new Twitter account @NYPSS_OPAL



- Dressy up clothes-dresses, shirts, ties, hats, shoes etc
- Fancy dress- princesses & hero's etc
- Blankets and sheets
- Suitcases
- Old bike tyres/inner tubes
- Cars/trains/dolls etc (small)
- Construction jackets, helmets, fences, cones etc
- Bird boxes and feeders
- Old scooters
- Plastic crates (different shapes and sizes would be fantastic)
- Lego
- Barbie/action/superhero figures
- Small animals

Census Day Lunch golden ticket winners

On Thursday 4th October we took part in the North Tyneside School Meal Italian Pizzeria Day. The children were able to dress in red, white and green, choose from a variety of pizzas. All children were on the hunt for the elusive golden tickets with our winners being able to choose from a huge selection of prizes!



Bring it On - STEM Event

On Wednesday 3rd October, pupils from Year 5 attended the 'Bring It On' STEM Exhibition at the Beacon of Light, Sunderland. Pupils were treated to a variety of different zones including the Civil, Subsea and Digital Zones. All children enjoyed engaging in a range of STEM activities which ranged from driving a digger to experiencing virtual reality! After an enjoyable day, pupils ended the event in the Big Bang Zone and enjoyed chatting about their amazing experiences all the way home.



New York Sporting News

Congratulations

Three Year 6 boys were invited for trials for the North Tyneside County Under 11 football team. All the boys represented the school fantastically and played very well. Congratulations to Harvey Crawford who was successful in being selected in the North Tyneside squad.



Multiskills

On Tuesday the 25th of September Year 2 (The Rabbits) attended a Multi Skills Sports Festival at the Parks. The children showed great sportsmanship and teamwork skills when completing a range of sporting activities. The children thoroughly enjoyed our first Year 2 outing and have shared the activities that they enjoyed most with Year 2 Foxes.



Swimming

During Autumn 1, Year 4 Tigers have been attending swimming lessons on Monday afternoons. All pupils have worked hard to improve their swimming skills. Each week, they have worked on new swimming strokes, building their stamina and growing in confidence week on week. Miss Drake and Miss Evans are really proud of their hard work and dedication.



Newcastle Eagles

On Tuesday 22nd October Year 5 were treated to a session with Newcastle Eagles Basketball team. They came to share the importance of being active and leading a healthy lifestyle. Each class spent some time learning dribbling and basketball skills



Reminders

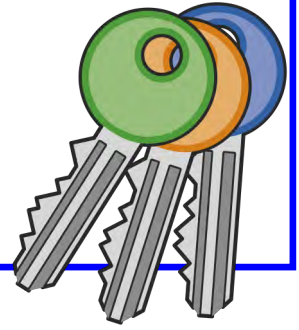
Parking

Can we ask parents not to park in the disabled bays outside the Premier Shop as we have had a number of complaints about users not being able to access these bays as required.



Lost Keys

A set of keys have been found in the yard last week. If you are missing a set, please call into the office



Breakfast Club

Can we remind parents that breakfast club runs from 8:00am—8:45. Please do not drop your child off before this time.



Attention all Vegetarians

Please note that school gravy and jelly is suitable for vegetarians. If you have any queries please let us know.

Bikes and Scooters

When parking bikes and scooters in the Foundation Stage yard please make sure that you put them in the bike rack and don't leave them lying on the ground. We are working hard to develop the areas in the garden and need to keep this area free from trip hazards. Many Thanks.

Governing Body

The term of office for one of our parent governors terminates in November. The governor Mrs Nicola McNeil-Watson is willing to take on the role again. However, if you feel that you would like to contribute to our governing body, please contact the school office to collect an application form.

A meeting took place with the neighbourhood Inspector today and she has the following message to convey:

Police are aware of an increase in reports of anti-social behaviour in the streets around New York Primary School stretching over to the Tamar Close area. Additional patrols have been put in place and a number of youths who have been involved in the disorder have been identified and visited by police, these youths have been spoken to in company with their parents. Those identified as having been involved in criminal offences are being interviewed and could face prosecution. A multi-agency approach will be taken to tackling the issues raised by residents - police and council will be working alongside the school. Both agencies are working closely together and those persons involved could face action in relation to their tenancies.

I would like to take this opportunity to appeal to the residents to report any incidents to Police or North Tyneside Council. Please call Northumbria Police on 101 for any non-urgent incidents. Information can be passed to North Shields Neighbourhood Policing Team via e-mail at northshields.npt@northumbria.pnn.police.uk or to North Tyneside Council on Community.Protection@northtyneside.gov.uk

The Community Protection team from North Tyneside Council will be using their new CCTV enforcement van in the area during the next few weeks, the van works evenings and weekends and is there to capture environmental crime and on-going ASB

I would also like to appeal for any parents who have children out in the area to ensure that they know where their children are and that they are not engaging in this type of behaviour.

Michelle Caisley Neighbourhood Inspector - North Shields Neighbourhood Policing Team.

Dates for your diary

- Wednesday 10th October - Y6 to Robinwood
- Wednesday 17th October - School Council Event at Quadrant 9-12
- Tuesday 23rd October - EYFS & KSI Harvest Festival 9:15am
- Wednesday 24th October - KS2 Harvest Festival 9:15am
- Wednesday 24th October - Halloween Disco EYFS & KSI 3:15 - 4:15 / KS2 4:15 - 5:15
- Thursday 25th October - Parent Book Look 9:15 - 11:00 & 2:00 - 3:00
- Friday 26th October - Finish for half term.
- Monday 5th November - Children return to school
- Wednesday 7th November - Parents Evening
- Friday 9th November - Remembrance Assembly
- Friday 16th November - Children in Need
- Thursday 22nd November - EYFS Nursery Rhyme Welly Waddle
- Friday 7th December - Christmas Fayre - 2:00pm
- Tuesday 11th December - KS2 Christmas Performance 1:30pm & 6:00pm
- Wednesday 12th December - EYFS & KSI Christmas Performance 1:30pm & 6:00pm
- Thursday 13th December - Christmas Jumper & Lunch day. Christmas Scene in a box judging day.
- Friday 14th December - Family Christmas Crafts am & pm
- Monday 17th December - Year 1&2 Christmas Party
- Tuesday 18th December - EYFS Christmas Party
- Wednesday 19th December - Carols in the Yard 9:15am
- Wednesday 19th December - Year 5&6 Christmas Party
- Thursday 20th December - Year 3&4 Christmas Party
- Friday 21st December - Children finish for Christmas
- Monday 7th January - Children return to school.