



PARKHEAD WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS



Dear Parents, Carers, Pupils and Friends

DATE: 23rd September 2011

YEAR 2 CIRCUS SKILLS

Year 2 enjoyed a full day with a circus skills teacher this week as part of their PE topic and learning about skills and talents. They explored many skills such as juggling, spinning plates, Chinese ribbons and Diablo's. They especially enjoyed using peacock feathers and looked at balancing tricks!

YEAR 5 LIBRARY VISIT

Year 5 visited the library in Winlaton this week and all took a book out to keep in school. Our local police officer Chris Cooke accompanied the group and chatted to the children about road safety.



KS1 PARENTS

Please remember that KS1 parents are invited to an achievement assembly every Thursday at 2.50pm in the KS1 hall to celebrate their children's successes.

Please remember when you are picking up and dropping off your children at the KS1 yard to wait by the goal posts to avoid congestion around the doors. This is to ensure that all children are safe and the teacher can clearly see which parents are there for each child and they are safe. We appreciate your support in this important safety matter.

Thank you to all the parents who have encouraged the new year 1 children to come into school on their own this week!

Dates for your Diary

Now the Autumn term is underway we have listed important dates for your diary so you are aware of parent events and children's activities. We will be publishing Christmas dates in the next few weeks so you can get these in your calendar and plan accordingly.

- WEDNESDAY 19TH OCTOBER AT 9.30AM—Harvest assembly in KS1 hall for KS1 parents
- FRIDAY 21ST OCTOBER AT 10AM—Harvest service at St Pauls for KS2 parents
- HALF TERM—24th—28th OCTOBER
- 3RD NOVEMBER AT 1.30PM —Halloween disco for KS1 children
- 3RD NOVEMBER AT 3.30PM—Halloween disco for KS2 children
- 3RD NOVEMBER AT 2PM—KS2 Interhouse Football
- 4TH NOVEMBER AT 1.30PM- KS1 Interhouse Football
- 14th—18th NOVEMBER—Antibullying week
- 14TH NOVEMBER BETWEEN 3.30PM AND 5.30PM—Parents evening in classes for whole school

Achiever Awards for writing were presented today to the following children:

Year 1EM: Bobby Norman
 Year 2T: Luke Cummings
 Year 3AG: Alexandra Mason
 Year 4S: Lewis Lorraine
 Year 5B: Robyn Mason
 Year 6RS: Beth Johnson

Year 1HM: Dan Peart
 Year 2H: Charlotte Jackson
 Year 3S: Lauren Allen
 Year 4M: Charlie Westen
 Year 5j: Benjamin Hynes
 Year 6NS: Chloe Prior

Well done! We are very proud of you all!



JEWELLERY

Please remember that watches are the only jewellery permitted in school and that this conforms with cluster policy and health and safety guidelines.

FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Parkhead football team will take part in their first match of the season next week on Wednesday 28th. The match will be held at Parkhead and Rowlands Gill, St Josephs Blaydon and Whickham Parochial Primary schools will be playing. Parents are welcome along to the school field to support the team. Good Luck!



CLUBS

Thursday after school club

We are now running 2 films on a Thursday after school. Children can choose between an animated or Disney type film or another film with a more complex plot. Film club is £3 until 5pm and children get hot dogs and popcorn served during the film!

NUFC after school club

NUFC are running a football club on a Monday after school between 3.20pm and 5.30pm children can attend our after school club and get a light snack at 4pm then do their football coaching between 4.30pm and 5.30pm.

ZUMBA

We are thinking of starting a Zumba class on a Wednesday for children. This would be between 3.20pm and 5pm. Children would get a light snack and 40 minutes of Zumba class with a trained instructor!

Please telephone the club staff to register your interest on **0191 433 4145**

SCHOOL MEALS and UNIFORM

Please can you make sure you inform Mrs Hunter in the school office whether your child is having packed lunch or school meals and whether they are entitled to a free school meal. School meals are £1.90 a day or £9.50 per week. Please ensure it is in a labelled envelope with your child's name, class and amount. **The school is owed a large sum of money in school meal outstanding debts and we would appreciate it if you could please pay either weekly, monthly or termly in advance so we can manage this appropriately. Please understand it is the school that bears the cost and not Gateshead council.**

If you haven't already done so please can you pay for any uniform ordered before the summer holidays at the school office as soon as possible.



BOOK SWAP

Mrs McDermid has organised a book swap club for parents and children to use all year round. There is a bookshelf in the school reception area in the KS2 building. The idea is you bring in a book you no longer want and swap for anything on the shelves! The shelves are bare at the moment so we would be very grateful for any donations or swaps that you may have! Thank you!



TOAST CLUB

Toast club continues this year at mid morning break for all children in YEAR 1 AND 2 and KS2. We sell wholemeal toast at 10p per slice and fresh orange juice at 20p (not 15p apologies) depending on the season we also send a selection of fruits. Remember to send the money in with your child each day.

