Leadgate Primary School – Friday Newsletter

Caring, Sharing, Learning Together

Friday, 4th October 2019

This day in history

<u>1883</u> The Orient Express departs on its first official journey from Paris to Istanbul.

1911 1st escalator installed on the London Underground at Earl's Court Station.



Whole School Attendance

Year 1 = 93.3%

Year 2 = 98.2%

Year 3 = 96.3%

Year 4 = 93.0%

Year 5 = 96.1%

Year 6 = 93.6%



Be part of Lumiere 2019

A series of creative workshops have been organised that will give an opportunity to contribute to the festival before it returns to Durham in November. As well as building excitement for Lumiere and spreading the joy of creativity, the Bottle Festoon workshops aim to raise awareness of plastic pollution.

There is a free session at Consett library on Saturday 19th of October from 10am-12. Schoolchildren, community groups and families will turn used green and white plastic bottles into glittering, icicle-like chandeliers. Their finished creations will form part of Bottle Festoon, a spectacular art installation to be displayed at Lumiere in November.

Sports Update

Another busy week for sport! On Monday the girls played in the Derwentside Girl's League at St Patrick's. Thank you to Lucy, Tianna, Kayley, Abbie B, Imogen, Emily W and Macey-Leigh.

We were the host school on Thursday for the Cross Country. A magnificent effort in some fantastic results for the girls. Congratulations to Millie, Lucy, Jesamine and Abbie-Leigh.

Reminder – CONTACT FORMS

Please ensure you return your contact forms to school as soon as possible – this will enable us to update all emergency contact details.



Congratulations

Well Done Year 2 for the best attendance in Lower School and Year 3 for the best attendance in Upper School.

Our school target is 97%.

Grants for School Shoes and Coats

With Winter fast approaching we would like parents to mindful of the available grant for shoes and coats. Thornhill Primary now administers the School Benevolent Fund on behalf of all schools across County Durham. This is a registered charity which offers a grant towards shoes and coats for school pupils.

A grant of up to £35.00 can be awarded towards a winter coat and up to £35.00 for a pair of shoes depending on parents/guardians meeting a number of criteria.

To apply for the school benevolent fund, go to

http://www.durham.gov.uk/schoolbenevolentfund

download and complete School Benevolent Fund Application Form and return to:

School Benevolent Fund Thornhill Primary School Thornhill Gardens Shildon County Durham DL4 1ES 01388 772 906



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Calendar Dates and Diary Information

All dates will be repeated in the weekly newsletter and may be subject to change.

Tuesday 8th October - Year 6 Class Assembly, 9.10am

Wednesday 9th October - Year 5 Class Assembly, 9.10am

Thursday 10th October – Year 4 Class Assembly, 9.10am

Friday 11th October - Year 3 Class Assembly, 9.10am

Monday 14th October - Lower School Parents Evening, 3.20 - 6.00pm

Tuesday 15th October - Year 2 Class Assembly, 9.10am

Tuesday 15th October - Upper & Lower School Parents Evening, 3.20 - 6.00pm

Wednesday 18th October - Reception Class Assembly, 9.10am

Wednesday 18th October – Upper School Parents Evening, 3.20 – 6.00pm

Thursday 17th October - Year 1 Assembly, 9.10am

Wednesday 24th October – Halloween Disco Upper School, 3.15 – 4.45pm

October Half Term Friday 26th October – Monday 4th November

Tuesday 12th November – Flu Immunisations

Friday 6th December - Upper School Christmas Fayre, 2.00pm

Wednesday 11th December – Nursery / Reception Christmas Assembly, 9.10am

Wednesday 11th December - Church Christmas Service 10.30am at St Ives Church Leadgate

Friday 13th December – Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 17th December - Lower School Christmas Assembly

Tuesday 17th December – Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 18th December – Lower School Christmas Party

Thursday 19th December - Upper School Christmas Assembly

Thursday 19th December – Upper School Christmas Disco

Thursday 19th December – Last Day of Term

Christmas Holidays Thursday 19th December – Monday 6th January

Children's Book Trail

The purpose of the trail is to encourage families to explore the local area and find out a bit more about what is on our doorstep. The theme of the trail is Children's Books with hundreds of books available to borrow or swap at the dozens of locations on the trail. The trail covers Shotley Bridge, Ebchester, Medomsley, Leadgate, Blackhill, Castleside, Consett and surrounding areas.

Locations on the trail are fairly evenly split between indoor and outdoor. For the indoor locations we are pleased to be working with a number of businesses and other organisations such as Consett Library and The Land of Oak & Iron who operate out of the Lodge in Blackhill Park. The outdoor locations are primarily made up of local landmarks, some well-known, some less so. The start of the Book Trail is due to coincide with the start of the October half term on Saturday 26th October.

