



# Bearpark Primary School Newsletter



**Friday 13th October**

## *Dates for the diary*

Fri 20th Oct— Halloween party Golden Time & school breaks up for half term

Mon 30th Oct—school re-opens for teaching purposes

Tues 31st—Sports coaching starts for Class 3

Tues 31st Oct—NEW sport after school club (more details to follow)

Weds 1st Nov—Drama after school club begins (more details to follow)

Fri 3rd Nov—Cookery with Sarah McAllister for Classes 1 & 3

Fri 10rd Nov—Cookery with Sarah McAllister for Classes 2 & 4

Thurs 16th Nov—Flu immunisation for pupils in YR—Y4

Thurs 23rd Nov—Y5/6 Sports Leadership training

Thurs 23rd Nov—Fun Fitness starts for 2 classes

Thurs 14th Dec—Christmas Journey: Storytelling & crafts (Church)

Mon 18th Dec—Xmas Production 9:30 am and 1:30 pm

Tues 19th Dec—Early Years Xmas party

Weds 20th Dec—KS1 party

Thurs 21st Dec—KS2 party

Fri 22nd —carol service at Church for Christmas celebrations

## Reading

We have just placed an order for some lovely new reading books to replace and supplement the current supplies in school. The books purchased for Early Years and Key Stage 1 will compliment to phonics based approach to teaching reading that the school uses and will reinforce learning that has taken place during the school day. We would encourage parents to read with their child as regularly as possible, ideally on a daily basis.

## Accelerated reader

As children's reading skills develop they will move onto the Accelerated Reader programme where they will read at home and school and then do an electronic quiz based on the book. We are aiming for children to be reading a total of at least 30 minutes per day and to achieve at an average success rate in quizzes of 85%. This will significantly help with your child's progress in reading and there are rewards to be earned!

## School Football Team

The school football team had mixed results in their matches this week. They won one game 1-0 with a great goal from Tyler. They were narrowly beaten in their other two games with a couple of lucky goals for the other teams.

It was great news overall to find out that they have performed so well over the season that they have earned themselves third place in the league. Well done to the football team! Mr Dickinson and the rest of the school are very proud of you.

## Mini Police

We welcomed the local PCSO's to school last week to help Mrs Robertson interview potential candidates for the roles of Mini-Police officers in school. The successful candidates will be announced next Friday in special assembly. Well done to all who took part!

## Early years Outdoor Area

We received a small grant to develop the outdoor EY's areas. Nursery and reception have both benefitted from a large artificial turf area in their outdoor learning spaces to develop the environment and provide a pleasant space to construct and be creative.

## Celebrating Success

### This week's achievers:

Headteacher's Award: Jess for determination and positive attitude to school life

Class 4: Mischa for excellent writing

Tyler for determination to improve reading

Class 3: Archie for a positive attitude to learning and great behaviour

Rubie for determination to improve her work

Class 2: Kailem for a positive attitude to his work

James for a positive attitude to school life and being a great friend

Class 1: Lucas for good classroom learning behaviour

Nursery: Jaxon showing determination and bravery

### Presentation Award:

Class 4: Corey

### House Points:

Class 3: Tillie

Brancepeth 947

Class 2: Ellie-Mae

Lumley 936

Class 1: Harvey

Durham 1046

### Attendance:

Class 1 with 95.8%