



Fellside Community Primary School

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Fellside Matters

Commitment, Confidence, Change, Creativity, Challenge, Collaboration, Curiosity.

Ambition for all.

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Mrs Green's Weekly Message:

It has been an incredibly busy week at Fellside. Children in most years have taken part in assessments so we can see how best to support them as they move to their next year group while many of our Year Six children spent time at secondary school a part of transition. All children have conducted themselves wonderfully and we can't praise them highly enough.

Our School Improvement Partner, Mr Winch, spent the morning with me on Wednesday. Mr Winch wanted to know more about our writing progress as he knew that this was something that, as a school, we wanted to improve upon. He shared his positive views on what we are achieving in writing from the Early Years up to Year Six as the outcomes are already impressive. When he asked about our next aims, I shared my ambition for the rest of our curriculum and told him how hard our teachers are working to become leaders of their subject areas, embracing responsibility, finding out pupils' views and working with me to improve the knowledge of our children. When he comes back in the Autumn Term, he is looking forward to seeing our hard work in action. Finally, he had a peek at the work going on around our White House; he can see that we are moving towards more purposeful outdoor areas for all children and is overwhelmed at the support from our Fellside community to make it happen.

Mr Winch was also interested to find out more about our inclusive ethos and how well we are supporting our most vulnerable children. As an expert in this field, he was incredibly impressed with the research we had undertaken as a school team which has led to our new calming corner provision. We have attached more information regarding this for you to read so that you, as families, can understand what we do, why we do it and, importantly the difference it will make. Please find more information attached.

Next week, the PTA uniform bin will be out collecting good quality, clean, Fellside branded uniform that your child has grown out of. Thank you to all of our PTA stars who will be able to turn this uniform into "PLUS" (Pre-Loved Uniform Shop), supporting sustainability and saving money in the process.

Mrs Green

Key Dates

Monday 7th July

- Sports Day (Fellside Road Gates open at 1.10pm) **Fun Club are closed on Monday afternoon.**
- PTA Finish Line Fair after school

Tuesday 8th July

- Reception Big Sing Assembly
- Y6 SATs Results
- Y6 Hockey Team to Gateshead Schools Sports Awards

Wednesday 9th

- Robotics Event
- Nursery Sports Day
- Broadway at Fellside Show

Thursday 10th

- Girls Football Friendly
- PTA Annual General Meeting – all welcome

Friday 11th July

- Year Four extra Meet the Teacher Day
- Y2 Recorder Performance for Families 2.45pm

Sunday 13th July : 11am-2pm

- Children's Cancer Run

Monday 14th July

- Meet The Teacher Day
- Y6 Outdoor Activities Day
- PTA Pre Loved Uniform Shop

Tuesday 15th July

- Y6 to York Maze

Wednesday 16th July – 2.00pm

- Musical Assembly

Monday 21st July to Friday 29th August

- Summer Holidays

Please continue to check our website, which is updated regularly with key dates.

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Nursery

Nursery children enjoyed sharing the book "The Smartest Giant in Town" by Julia Donaldson. They learnt all about road safety and had a final sports day practise ready for next week. They all thoroughly enjoyed their exciting visit to The Glass House where they sang their hearts out!

Confidence winner: Freya H

Reception

Reception have enjoyed sharing "What the Ladybird Heard". In maths, children talked about capacity while filling containers and using "o'clock" when talking about time. Children talked at length about the River Tyne which separates Newcastle and Gateshead, something they are confident to do now they had their visit to The Glasshouse to take part in the Mini Sing. They loved going on the bus and spotting places they knew!

Confidence winner: Bisha L

Year One

Year One children have been reading "The Sea Saw" alongside "Grace Darling". In their own writing, they have written their own versions of the Sea Saw narrative.

Children have taken part in maths assessments wonderfully and we are so proud of them. As part of history, they have talked more about Grace Darling and what life in a lighthouse might have been like. Children completed their wonderful 'junk model animals' using their art and design skills.

Confidence winner: Olivia B and Miles M

Year Two

Year Two have enjoyed "Flat Stanley and the Magic Lamp Continues" together while also writing their own non-chronological reports about bees. In maths, they have looked at 3D and 2D shapes, revising and naming them and their properties. In geography, children compared Europe to South America while, in computing, they began to use pictograms on digital technology. As part of PSHE, children discussed stereotypes in gender and age when thinking about careers. Year Two children completed summer assessments and Ms Thornber wants you to know how proud she is of everyone's attitudes!

Confidence winner: Hannah W
ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS 99.3%

Year Three

Year Three have been reading "Land of Roar" while also completing their news reports on Mount Vesuvius' eruption using past tense, adverbs of time and dialogue. They talked about Hadrian's Wall, thinking about where, when and why it was built. During art, children produced their water-coloured ombre backgrounds for their final piece of artwork. During science, they discussed sun safety. Mrs Scott would like you to know how proud she is of everyone during their end of year assessments.

Confidence winner: Aurora T
ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS 99.3%

Year Four

Year four have been learning about sustainability in geography while, in computing, they have used Logo to code. Within RE, they learnt about religious symbolism and, in PSHE, they discussed what makes them them! As part of music, they listened to classical music and discussed it while, in science, they used flow charts of characteristics of living things.

Confidence winner: George P

Year Five

Mr Todd would like to express how proud he is of the children who have worked tremendously hard in their Year Five assessments. During history, children learnt when and how the Vikings took control of Lindisfarne and how life changed for the locals. In cricket, Year Five put their bowling, batting and fielding skills to the test by playing games of Quick Cricket. During science, they explored life cycles of plants, insects, birds, amphibians and reptiles.

Confidence winner: Edan C
ATTENDANCE TARGET: 95.9%

Year Six

Most of our children spent two days of transition in their new schools and seemed to have enjoyed the experience a great deal. No nerves needed – Fellside children are wonderful! Back at Fellside, they have shared "Who Let the Gods Out" and learnt about the Trojan Horse in history. As part of their art and design, they have finished their felting patches (and they have also been working hard on props and scenery for their special show).

Confidence winner: Joseph B and Lola G