



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 a different kind of week with many different opportunities occurring. Being a Head Teacher is never dull and I often get to the weekend wondering what on Earth my job description may entail if it was entirely accurate... I started the week lending a hand (and a face) to the PTA as I was placed in the stocks for children to throw wet sponges at; on Tuesday, I was a proud spectator at the Gateshead School Sports Partnership Awards Night where our amazing Y6 Hockey Team were presented with their winner's trophy for Sports Team of the Year (County Level); on Wednesday, I was a musical director for our talented Year Five and Six singers as they showcased some stage and screen numbers while Thursday evening included a visit to the PTA AGM where I was truly humbled by the efforts, positivity and teamwork from this amazing group who do all they can to support our children.

With only a week left of the academic year, we are all reflecting on all we have achieved as well as looking forwards to all that is yet to come. While Year Four had their first experience of transition today, there is our official transition day on Monday; during this day, Year Six will enjoy a wonderful outdoor pursuits experience on our school field funded by our school as a gift to them. For the rest of the school, we will welcome our youngest members for taster sessions, while older children will move to their new classrooms with their new teachers. We invite all children to go straight into their new classrooms at the start of the day. As usual, Early Years, Year One (current Reception) and Year Two (current Year One) will line up in the same place and we will ask Year Three (current Year Two) to line up in their usual place where Mrs Scott will greet them and walk them in through their new side door. How exciting!

Rest assured, we will all be on hand to calm nerves and talk to the children about how exciting changes are. We do ask that, as families, you support your children by sharing the positives of change and the wonderful experiences that they are about to have - it really does make a difference. Please also remember that, as a school team, we have years of experience of children's transitions and we ask that you trust that we will do what is right for your child with kindness at the heart of all we teach.

You will be receiving your child's end of year report on Tuesday and we hope that you will be happy with the progress they are making academically and socially. If you do have any questions, you can speak with your child's teacher. If your child is working below the expected standard in any subjects, please try not to worry. We will ensure that support is in place to help your child to make progress. We are ambitious for all of our children in so many ways and will always make the decisions we know to be the right ones for your child.

Have a lovely weekend! Remember, Miss Knox has organised a wonderful **Cancer Run event on the school grounds this Sunday 11am – 2pm** and all are very welcome to join and say a big thank you to the charities that have supported our families so well over the past few years. See you there!

Mrs Green

Key Dates

Monday 14th July

- Meet The Teacher Day / Y6 Outdoor Activities Day
- PTA PLUS (Pre Loved Uniform Shop)

Tuesday 15th July

- Y6 trip to York Maze
- End of Year reports sent home

Wednesday 16th July

- 2:00pm Musical Assembly

Thursday 17th July

- 6pm Year Six Leavers Performance

Friday 18th July – Final Day of the academic year

- PTA Break the Rules Day – see their adverts which will be shared over the coming week...!

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

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Nursery

Children in Nursery shared the book “Starting School” by Janet Ahlberg. They made “goodbye bags” and talked lots about the transition in September to new schools or new classes – exciting times! They particularly enjoyed sharing a special first sports day with friends and grown ups.

Change winner: River S

Year One

Year One have been sharing “Lighthouse Keeper’s Lunch” and “Mathematician Like Me”. During writing, they have continued to write their narrative based on “The Sea Saw” while, in maths, they have concentrated on shape and pattern. As part of history, they talked about sea safety in Grace Darling’s time compared to now. They thought about ‘What makes us special’ in PSHE and also created sliders with up and down / side to side movements.

Change winner: Sam C & Joel K

Year Three

In Year Three, children are continuing to enjoy “The Land of Roar” while, in their writing, they have been using fronted adverbials, expanded noun phrases and prepositions in their own disaster stories. IN maths, they have compared, added and subtracted volume and capacity. They thought about what life may have been like in Roman times, looking at artefacts. In science, they looked at how light travels and sorted materials that block light as well as some fun outdoor shadow experiments. Children ordered their own ice creams in French which was definitely the highlight of the week!

Change winner: Olivia H

Year Five

Year Five explored the story of Hercules, focusing on who he was, when he lived and what challenges he faced. They used their maths knowledge this week to solve problems involving time and money. After a variety of animal life cycles, Year Five turned their attention to the different life stages of a human. Everyone had a fantastic day on Monday at Sports Day; it was a sure highlight for the whole class!

Change winner: Autumn LJ

Attendance Target: 95.9%

Reception

Children in reception have been reading “Sharing A Shell” and also rewritten the story writing their own sentences. In early maths, they have focused on number bonds to 5 and 10 while also thinking about the related subtraction facts.

Children have looked at bridges over the River Tyne.

Children enjoyed making ladybird models with moving wings! The children have been thinking about the exciting transition into Year One as they welcomed some special mystery readers in the form of Mrs Greenwood and Mrs McCaig! Children really enjoyed sharing their songs to buddies and grown ups this week, too.

Change winner: Hermione T

Year Two

Children in Year Two have shared “The Honey Bee” by Kirsten Hall. They have published non chronological reports all about bees to show what they have learnt. In maths, children have looked at measures, specifically money making amounts while, in geography, they talked about journey lines (how to travel to different countries and where in the world they are). In PSHE, children enjoyed thinking about the exciting transition about to happen. They loved performing their recorder skills to a real audience!

Change winner: Henry L

Attendance Champions: 99.3%

Year Four

Year Four have produced some thoughtful pieces of persuasive writing and they thought about plastic pollution, matching their geography theme of sustainability. In PSHE, they thought about what makes us unique and, in music, they listened to classical music. As part of French, they talked about the weather while, in science, they learned specifically about invertebrates.

Change winner: Isabella M

Year Six

In maths, children revised some arithmetic skills while, in history, they learnt about Alexander the Great and his empire. They thoroughly enjoyed design technology this week as they made their own pizzas, after designing them and creating a ‘business’ with a logo, slogan and menu. Year Six thoroughly enjoyed watching their reception buddies in their singing performance – they were very proud big Fellside brothers and sisters!

Change winner: Sophie J

Attendance Target: 95.9%