



Weekly Bulletin 28th April 2023

Headteacher's Message

Even though it has been a disrupted week due to the Industrial Strike Action children have still been able to take part in a number of enrichment activities this week. On Tuesday we held a PE Wellbeing day in school which was enjoyed by all children. Further information on this is shared below. Our Y1 and Y2 classes accessed tennis coaching from the School Sport Partnership Team and children from Y5 and Y6 continued rehearsals for their drama production 'Treachery at Traitor's Quay'.

We have also begun preparing to mark the occasion of the King's Coronation and this will take place on Friday 5th May. In school our Y2 children will perform their class assembly explaining about the event, Chartwells are providing a Coronation lunch and there will be class activities to help children understand what the event means for our country. For the day, children can come to school dressed in Red, White and Blue colours or simply their school uniform.

Each week I want to include a 'snapshot' of some of the things going on in school. For example, news from our ECO team, Worship group, V.I.P. (Very International People) and SNAG (School Nutrition Action Group). This week our focus is on PE across school and Mr Gowan has shared an update below.

Best wishes

Mr Rumbles

PE

This half term in PE we have lots of exciting opportunities planned for the children inside and outside of the classroom. In school the children in Reception will be receiving lessons from a specialist PE Teacher looking at ways of developing their Physical Literacy. In Y1 and Y2 the children will be receiving coaching from a PE Teacher in their Games lessons. In Year 3 and Year 6 the children are participating in a Health and fitness programme.

We have also had a Health and well-being focus day this week taking part in Yoga and Step-fitness workshops as well as having an assembly promoting the importance of our Health and well-being. The Juniors will be taking part in an exciting Quidditch day next month and the children in Year 3 and 4 will be taking part in an intra-school competition playing a game called Endzone.

Outside of the classroom we are offering a wide range of extra-curricular clubs as well as the opportunity for some of the children to take part in football and cricket competitions.

Mr. Gowan

Y4 Football

On Tuesday afternoon, nine Year 4 children attended a football tournament at Meadowfield Leisure Centre. They played 2 games in the group stage, winning both games without conceding any goals, then progressed to play two further games, winning both and becoming 2023 champions. A fantastic team effort and great teamwork by all. Thank you to all parents who came along to support the team.



Industrial Strike Action

The National Education Union (NEU) has balloted its members and they have decided to take Industrial Strike Action. School will be closed on the 2nd May. Please see the [Strike Letter](#) on the School website.

Dates

For a full list of school holiday dates please see the school website.

Thursday 27th April – School closed – Industrial Strike action

Monday 1st May – School closed for May bank holiday

Monday 2nd May – School closed – Industrial Strike action

Friday 5th May – Y2 Class Assembly – 9.05am

Friday 5th May – King’s Coronation Lunch and Celebration

Monday 8th May 2023 – Bank Holiday for the coronation of King Charles III

Tuesday 9th May – Friday 12th May 2023 - Y6 SATS week

Wednesday 10th May – Oriental Museum Trip – Y3

Friday 19th May – FOSS School Disco

Wednesday 28th June at 6pm – ‘Treachery at Traitor’s Quay’ – Drama Club Production

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#JoinInDMS Together with the DMS Training Youth Choir

Did you know Durham Music Service offers lots of opportunities to make music? Whether you have sung or played in one of our groups before, or at the start of your musical journey, Durham Music Service can’t wait to welcome you!

Playing or singing in a group is a brilliant experience: There’s the chance to make new friends during rehearsals, develop new musical skills and celebrate success at special performances for friends and family. We regularly perform at venues such as Gala Durham, Durham Cathedral and our home at Ushaw College Durham.

"I am lucky enough to visit Shincliffe Primary school each week, teaching brass and whole class ukulele to the young musicians. Getting to know the classes better, I have been *super impressed* with their singing where I have noted their enthusiasm, accuracy, expression and volume!

It is with great pleasure that I invite the young singers in Shincliffe to the DSM Training Choir, who rehearse every Thursday evening in Elvet Methodist Church, Durham from 4-5.15pm. I do hope your child can join the choir, usually only open to Y5 and Y6. However, on this occasion, Y4 students are welcome to attend this term, to experience the rehearsals before Y5." Mrs Wearmouth

If your child would like to join us, please click <https://www.durhammusic.org.uk/Event/durham-music-training-choir> to register.

If you have any question regarding any aspects of the choir, please email me. k.wearmouth@149@durhamlearning.net

Durham Music Service Brass Teacher

Christian Values

We are exploring the value of thankfulness and worship will be led by Mr Rumbles, Mrs Matthews, Fr. Bill, Fr. Peter and the pupils.

Some further information about this half term's value:

This half term we are focussing on Thankfulness as our whole school Christian Value. We will be looking at why being thankful is important and discussing what the children are thankful for in their lives.

Some things to think about:

- How can we express our appreciation and thankfulness in the life of the school?
- How can we demonstrate that we see the good things of life as a blessing and a gift rather than a right?
- How can we be thankful for more than just material possessions?

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