

Preston Grange Primary School



Newsletter - September 29th 2015

Parents evenings

By now you will have received the appointment slip for parents evenings. We would be grateful if you could please return these to school as soon as possible so that teachers can allocate your appointment before the slots are full. Please note that as usual, a ten minute slot per child will be allocated. Due to other meetings that staff are involved in during the course of the week, they are unable to see parents on alternative times, unless in exceptional circumstances. Thank you for your support with this matter.



Coffee morning

Please remember that this Friday morning will be a coffee morning (9am until 10.130am), and we would love to see as many of our families as possible. There will be a cake competition for Year 5 and 6 children to enter, and a staff baking competition. Staff this year are baking a classic Victoria sandwich cake for judging, with a clue to who baked the cake. Please send in any donations of cake in the morning. All donations will be gratefully received.

School lunches

Catering have asked that we inform parents that they are no longer accepting cash payments for school dinners. The preferred method of payment is by using the online payment system JOINOS. Please could parents/carers email:

catering.services@northtyneside.gov.uk to request a Joinos Code and provide their child's full forename and surname, school, year, class, full home address and email address.

Catering services will then reply via email with a unique JOINOS code which will enable you to make online payments, view meals taken, view the menu and other useful information in relation to School Meals. Alternatively payment can be made by using North Tyneside contact centre by contacting 0191 643 2888 to make a debit/credit card payment over the telephone.

Christmas has come early !

At the end of last week, the children started making their Cauliflower Christmas card artwork. Each year we ask them to do an A4 piece of artwork which is then made into their very own Christmas card. Once they have done it, we tidy away the glitter until the start of December! You will receive a copy of their artwork and a letter with a form to complete, at the end of this week.



School website

Please see our website: www.prestongrangeprimary.co.uk for regular 'galleries' (photos of school activities) and news articles in between fortnightly Tuesday newsletters. These photos have been added recently: well done assembly photos, Year 2 measuring in Maths, Year 1 noun hunt, Year 4 Science walk, jeans for genes photos, Junior Athletics club.

Well done Charlie

On Saturday, Charlie Brunton in Year 4 was selected to be mascot at the Newcastle United home game. Charlie was on Match of the Day and on Sky Sports live. He met all of the team and had an amazing time. Well done Charlie !

Reception class photo

Each year, the photographer from the local newspaper comes into school to take a class photo of our new Reception class. This is then published in 'First Times' supplement to the Evening Chronicle, which shows several North east Reception classes from the North east. The photographer is coming to take the picture next Wednesday, and we will inform parents when the photo is due to be published.



3D fruits

Miss Knowles class this half term are covering a topic 'Fit for Life'. The children are learning all about a healthy diet, food groups and learning about different fruits and where they grow. Please see the website for a full gallery of photos of their own 3D fruits. Today they have been making their own healthy fruit smoothies.



Thank you

Thanks to all of the parents who have already sent in donations for the pantomime trip. Please note that any remaining contributions should be sent to the school office **by Friday 9th October** thank you.

Dates for your diary

Fri 2nd Oct - Year 1 at KS1 Agility event (Powerleague, North Shields)

Wed 7th Oct - Reception class photo (newspaper)

Thurs 8th Oct - Reception parents have lunch with your child

Fri 9th Oct - Christmas card order deadline (3.30pm. NB. no orders will be taken after this date)

Mon 12th Oct - parents evening

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Tues 13th Oct - parents evening

Wed 14th Oct - library van in school

Fri 16th Oct - Harvest Festival (9.15am)

Mon 19th Oct - Reception parents learning journey look

Tues 20th Oct - Year 5 & 6 Hoops 4 Health basketball training

Wed 21st - Halloween discos (pm)

Thurs 22nd Oct - Individual school photos (school photographer)

Thurs 22nd Oct - Year 6 to Crucial Crew (fire station)

Fri 23rd Oct - Wear it Pink Day (non uniform day for Breast Cancer)

Fri 23rd Oct - Break up for half term

Tracey Taylor, Headteacher, September 29th 2015