

Preston Grange Primary School

Newsletter - June 7th 2016



Tennis teams

Well done to our Year 3 tennis team, who came 2nd in a recent tennis tournament between local schools. We are very proud of them. Also, congratulations to our Year 4 tennis team who won 1st place in their recent tournament. We are really proud of you all, and well done for bringing the trophy back to school! Thank you to the parents who accompanied the children to the tournaments.



Preston Grange has got talent final

On the last day before half term, we held the final of Preston Grange has talent. The acts in the final were all amazing, and it was an extremely difficult decision for the School Council. In 3rd place, it was Taylor and Deacon as 'Dance Academy' from Year 3 who performed a dance and actions along to Pompeii by Bastille. In 2nd place it was Millie from Year 4, who sang Shawn Mendes hit 'Stitches' and did a fantastic job. In 1st place were the Year 6 girls; Charlotte, Chloe and Anna, who performed an acoustic version of Fight song by Rachel Platten. They really impressed the audience singing without the music. Please see the website for a full gallery of photos.

Thank you to all of our children who showed immense courage in performing in front of the whole school in the heats. It is such an achievement for all of them, and we are so proud of each and every one of them. We are proud there are so many talented children at our school. Thank you also to Mr Burgess for organizing and managing the whole of the PGHT competition; the children have really enjoyed participating and watching the performances.



Packed lunches in school

At school we recognise the important part a healthy diet plays for a child's wellbeing and their ability to learn effectively and achieve. We believe that the school, in partnership with parents and carers, can make a major contribution to improving children and young people's health by increasing their knowledge and understanding of food and helping them to make healthy food choices.

We aim to provide ongoing guidance on the content of packed lunches, developed in consultation with children, catering staff, governors & parents. Packed lunches should include some fruit and/or vegetables e.g. piece of fruit or fruit juice, dried fruit, cherry tomato, raw carrot, cucumber wedge etc. Sweets, sugary drinks and bars of chocolate should not be included. Fizzy drinks are not allowed in school.

'Sponsored 100' event

A HUGE thank you to all of our families for the support in raising so much sponsorship from the 'sponsored 100' event just before half term. We are really grateful. Please can you send any remaining sponsor money into school as soon as possible, thank you.

Macmillan charity stall

A group of Year 4 girls: Millie, Lucy, Eve, Rebecca, Lauren and Jess H, are going to be running a stall in order to raise money for Macmillan the cancer charity. The girls will be selling small items which have been donated, such as: small toys, bath bombs, toiletries etc which will cost between 10p, 20p, 50p or £1. They will run the stall each Thursday morning at break time, helped by two Year 6 school councilors. They would be grateful if any parents/Grandparents had any items that you would like to donate (must be in good condition or new) for their stall. Please send in any small items if you are prepared to donate into school over the next few weeks, thank you. Please also send any small change into school with your child on a Thursday morning, should you wish them to buy something to raise money for the charity. We would ask you to please give your child clear instructions as to whether you give them permission to buy anything from the stall or not thanks.

Freeze Pop Friday

Please remember Freeze Pop Friday is back! Every Friday, ice pops will be sold at 20p each after school on the Key Stage 1 yard.

Dates for your diaries

(Never let anyone tell you that Primary schools wind down towards the end of term!)

Mon 6th June - children return to school

Tues 7th June - Year 5 at Kirkley Hall (forest skills)

Tues 7th June - Years 3,4 and 6 to Wizard of Oz (at JSCHS, pm)

Thurs 9th June - Girls football team to Norham High (after school)

Fri 10th June - class photographs (Tempest)

Fri 10th June - Years 2 & 3 at Reading Festival (Langdale, pm)

Fri 10th June - Magistrates in Year 6 (pm)

Mon 13th June - Year 1 Phonics test

Tues 14th June - Year 5 class assembly

Tues 14th June - Year 6 'Techy Tea Party'

Wed 15th June - Year 1 Phonics test

Thurs 16th June - Girls football team at JSCHS

Thurs 16th June - Newcastle Eagles basketball coaching - Year 6
Thurs 16th June - Father's Day tuck shop (AM playtime)
Fri 17th June - Year 3 at Kirkley Hall (forest skills)
Fri 17th June - Magistrates in Year 6
Tues 21st June - Year 2 class assembly (9.15am)
Tues 21st June - Year 1 to Kirkley Hall (Forest skills visit)
Wed 22nd June - Year 4 to Robinwood residential
Fri 24th June - Water rockets afternoon in Year 6
Fri 24th June - Year 4 return from Robinwood
Fri 24th June - last date for uniform orders (to be ready for September)
Fri 24th June - Orchestra children to music collaborative at King Edwards Primary (all day)
Wed 29th June - New Reception parents; meeting in school 3.45pm
Thurs 30th June - New Reception children in school (1.15-3.15pm)
Thurs 30th June - Fire Service visit for Year 2 & 5 (pm)
Fri 1st July - Party in the park; choir to the Rising Sun (1.00-3.15pm)
Tues 5th July - Reception to Kirkley Hall (forest school visit)
Thurs 7th July - New Reception children in school (1.15-3.15pm)
Thurs 7th July - transition to new classes (pm)
Fri 8th July - End of year reports to parents
Fri 8th July - Year 6 to the beach all day
Fri 8th July - Year 6 Italian meal and sleepover in school (collect 9am prompt Saturday 9th)
Mon 11th July - Open afternoon (1-3pm)
Tues 12th July - Year 6 parents 'have lunch with your child'
Wed 13th July - Sports Day (1.10pm - 3pm)
Wed 13th July - Nursery parents meeting 3.45pm
Thurs 14th July - New Reception children in school (1.15-3.15pm)
Thurs 14th July - Year 6 leavers assembly (2.45pm)
Fri 15th July - Year 6 to Beamish Wild all day
Fri 15th July - Year 4 CSI Detective Day (JSCHS staff)
Fri 15th July - Choir performing at The Sage (rehearsal day time, performance evening)
Tues 19th July - Last day of the school year for children
Wed 20th July - Teacher Training Day

Tracey Taylor, Headteacher, June 7th2016