

# KS2 Team Newsletter - Spring 2 2024



As our busy third half term draws to a close, the KS2 team would like to share some highlights from this time. We are all so proud of the children's enthusiasm for their learning and how hard they have worked throughout the second half of Spring term - they've been stars!

### This Half Term's Attendance

We aim for **96%** attendance as a minimum for each child. The attendance figures for this half term are below:

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Class 7 — Year 3— Miss Welford	95.1%
Class 8 — Year 3 — Mrs Jones	93.2%
Class 9 — Year 4 — Mr Beadle	96.1%
Class 10 — Year 4 — Mr Harker	95.8%
Class 11 — Year 5 — Miss Bowen	97.1%
Class 12 — Year 5 — Mr Newton	95.8%
Class 13 – Year 6 – Mr Curtis	94.5%
Class 14 — Year 6 — Mrs Osborne	96%
Class 15 — Year 6 — Mrs Coates	96.5%



Well done to Miss Bowen's class, Class 11, who are this half term's attendance champions!

#### Year 3

This half term the children responded to a request for help from Chef Gordon Ramsey to help him develop a children's takeaway menu. Year 3 undertook the role of designers – tasked with researching, designing, creating and evaluating their very own 'healthy sandwich' (for children) and packaging. The children had to learn basic skills of food preparation first, including safely using equipment to grate, peel and slice vegetables. They enjoyed the challenge of designing eye-catching packaging, which would appeal to other children, then assembling it, before finally making the actual sandwiches to put into them. Don't they all look amazing?! We hope they tasted yummy too!









#### Year 4

This half term, Year 4 have had the pleasure of visiting the Dolphin Centre for their swimming lessons. We had a great time learning how to swim. We put our heads under the water, learned how to float, practised kicking techniques, as well as learning lots of swimming strokes. We all learned valuable life skills about water safety. Everyone made great progress and some of us were even able to swim without water aids. Now we are more confident around water and can't wait for the next opportunity to swim again!





#### Year 5

This half term, we have had the pleasure of working with Rosie and Tyler from Durham Constabulary Mini-Police. We learned all about the roles and responsibilities of different police officers and what part they play in our local community. We also learned all about antisocial behaviours and how we can identify, prevent and report antisocial behaviour in our local community. Our favourite part of Mini-Police was when we got to dress up in their uniforms and see some of the equipment they use.















#### Year 6

This half term has been a very busy time for Y6. We had a visit from the Mayor to share details of a competition she is running, based on the Darlington Borough Council Crest. Our entries have been forwarded to the Mayor and we are hopeful that some of our work based on the Sockburn dragon (featured in the crest) will be chosen as one of the winners! Y6 also showcased their musical talents in an IN2 performance alongside the brass band 'Back Chat Brass'. We were very proud of the children, who performed with confidence and enthusiasm. Reading, Maths and SPaG homework acitivites have been sent home to enable the children to keep their minds active during the holiday period, ready for SATs tests, beginning the week commencing 13th May.









## A request from Year 6

To help raise funds for our amazing end of Year 6 Summer trip, the Year 6 pupils will be holding a jumble sale during the Summer term. If you have any good quality toys, books or games that you could donate for this, we would be very grateful! Details about the sale and further fund-raising will follow after the school holiday.

This half term's certificates:

Class	Courageous Pupil	Great Historian	Dedicated Designer Award	Confident Communicator	Excellent Effort
7	William Stephens	Elizabeth Coates-Carey	Archie Lockett	Anjoloaluwa Segun-Awe	Ashton Jones
	Ned Welch	Jacob Thompson	Poppy Schroeder	Faris Fadeil	Marina Hayden
8	Charlie Van Veen	Ezra Taylor	North Welch	Paulamarie Hartley	Aoife Bareham
	William Robson	Leo Fowler	Christine Harrison	Ellis Fort	Thomas Hiles
9	Mia Lyle	Teddy Bates	Amelia Stone	Ava-Elizabeth Britton	Billy Liddle
	Oyin Öloko	Elliana Rose-Wardell	Tomi Aluko	Nevaeh Gill	Brian Tomczak
10	Iylah Robson	Nirav Nishad	Elexis Harrison	Sara McCaw	Lucas Abel
	Lily Wilson	Jimmy Chapman	Isla-Jane Whiteway-Wilkinson	Chibumdum Godfrey	Annie Bareham
11	Polly Durham	Renee Alulu	Alice Baker	Chloe Bruce	Maisy Oxley-Park
	Natalie Irvine	Cade O'Neill	Nala Clarke	Mohammed Rashid	Samuel Esan
12	Faith Dixon	Aron Aziz	Rio Hepper	Colleena Harrop	Holly Barningham
	Joey McElvaney	Jayden-Lee Hills	Kanyinsolami Sanyaolu	Alex Robson	Logan Litten
13	Alexa Danby	Santiago Carneiro	Sophia Robson	Nethan Bhoopelly	Teigan Oxley-Park
	Shelby Harrison	Shardell Burnside	Scarlett O'Neill	Scarlett Coates-Carey	Ben Millard
14	Ozioma Godfrey	Elsie Longstaff	Susanne Boswell	Walter Welch	Luca-James Kennedy
	Junior Newbery	Layla Davison-Price	Lilly Galbraith	Lilly-May Glasper	Brooke Barton
15	Destiny Currie	Melissa Ngennge	Chloe Davies	Spencer Henderson	Isabelle Kennedy
	Ava Burnside	Alfred Chapman	Mason Bales	Leon White	Caitlin Charlton

