



Framwellgate Moor Primary School

Newsletter

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Welcome Back

A very warm welcome back to all pupils and families, it was lovely to see all of the children again. We look forward to working in partnership with you this academic year.

New School Holiday Timetable

The new School Holiday Timetable for the academic year 2016/17 can now be found on the school website along with the 2015/16 Timetable for this year.

Reception Parents

A Phonics workshop will take place on Friday 25th September at 9am for Reception Parents in our Meeting Room. Mrs Burgess and Mrs Field will discuss the teaching of phonics and give guidance on how you can support your child at home. We look forward to seeing you there!

Year 1 Parents

A Reading Workshop will take place on Friday 11th September at 9am for Year 1 Parents in the Year 1 Classroom. Miss Clarke and Mrs Smith will discuss the teaching of phonics and reading and give guidance on how you can support your child at home. We look forward to seeing you there!



Breakfast Club

The Munch Bunch Club is open from 7:30am each morning and led by Miss Field and Mrs Pratt. The cost is £3.00 per day. Please enquire at the main office if you would like to use this facility.

A Class Newsletter will be sent home on Friday 11th September giving further information of topics taught this term and tips on how you can support your child.



Cool Milk

All children are entitled to free milk at school up to a child's 5th Birthday. Cool Milk provides cartons of milk for each pupil once they have registered online. If you are a parent in Reception or Nursery, please collect a leaflet from your child's class and register as soon as possible.

Once a child is 5 years old they can still have a carton of milk with their fruit for a subsidised fee that again can be paid for when registering your child.

www.coolmilk.com

PE Kits

All children are provided with a school PE Kit. Children require a pair of plimsolls or trainers for all PE lessons.



Data Collection

Current details we have for your child/ren printed from our computer system have been sent home this evening. Please check all of the details and then send this back into school by Friday 11th September so that we can update your details.

Please ensure that the emergency contact number you give will be able to help the school in an emergency situation if we are unable to contact the other given numbers.

If your contact number changes please inform main office straight away.

Clubs in September – Y1 to Y6

The Clubs application Forms have been given out tonight. Clubs begin on Monday 14th September for a 10 week block. Club places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Clubs for Reception pupils will commence after Christmas.

Music Lessons

A specialist music teacher called Mrs Curry will teach Music to Year 1 and 2 pupils every Tuesday afternoon.

Year 3 pupils will be learning to play the ukulele with Mr James

Year 4 pupils will be learning to play a brass instrument with Mr James

Mrs Curry will be teaching Music to Year 5 and Year 6 pupils using glockenspiels and keyboard.

Mrs Curry will be leading a school choir and a school recorder club. Please look out for these on the After School Club sheet.

Dinner Money

The first 2 days will cost £3.90. Please send money into school via your child in a named envelope. Cheques need to be made payable to Durham County Council with your child's name and the word 'Lunch money' on the back please.

The weekly price for school lunch is £9.75

For those parents who wish to pay for the first half term, the cost is £72.15.

If your child is absent your lunch money payment for the following half term will be credited.

Packed Lunch/School Lunch

Please make sure that the Office knows in advance (1 week please.) if you wish to change from packed lunch to school lunch or vice versa.

We have had many instances where parents have asked older children to mention the change over to the Office and this has not happened. Parents are then billed for lunches not eaten. Please assist the school to make a smooth transition from Lunch to Packed Lunch and vice versa. Although children in KS1 are now eligible for Free School Meals it is still vital that the office are aware of pupils opting for packed lunch.

Collection from School

Reminder – for safety reasons, please notify us in writing or by phone call if someone other than the usual adult is to collect your child.

Pupils in the Nursery or Keystage 1 and Reception **must** be collected by their regular adult and not by a child/sibling.

School Uniform

Thank you for supporting your child to look smart in their appearance at school! They all look lovely in their uniforms and I have admired many pairs of new KS1 shoes today!

Earrings

Earrings are not allowed to be worn in school. If your child has permission to have their ears pierced during the holidays please assist your child in practising to take them in and out as this can be quite tricky at first. Wearing tape to cover ears at school can cause issues such as ears sweating and becoming infected. Please write a letter or let Mrs Dillon know at the Main Entrance Hatch if your child cannot remove earrings and tape is required.

Black Shoes - All pupils are required to wear black shoes for school.

Parents Consultation Afternoon

On Monday 16th November parents will have the opportunity to meet with their child's class teacher to discuss their progress. Appointment sign up sheets will be available from Monday 9th November at the main office. If it is more convenient, please e-mail school framwellgate.primary@durhamlearning.net with a suggested time and we will slot you in the closest possible appointment and inform you of this.

School Visits for Reception 2016 Intake

Visits for prospective Reception Class parents will take place at the following times:

Tuesday 15th September 2015, 9.00 – 10.00am **or** 12.45 – 1.45pm

Wednesday 16th September 2015, 9.00 – 10.00am **or** 12.45 – 1.45pm

There is no need to book for these visits, please arrive at the main office next to Chastleton Doctors Surgery.



Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
Friday 11 th September	Year 1 parents Reading Workshop at 9.00am
Tuesday 15 th September	Visits for prospective Reception Class parents, 9 – 10am and 12.45 – 1.45pm
Wednesday 16 th September	Visits for prospective Reception Class parents, 9 – 10am and 12.45 – 1.45pm
Friday 18 th September	Jeans for Genes Day Children can wear jeans to school for £1 to raise money for the charity 'Jeans for Genes'
Friday 25 th September	Reception parents Phonics Workshop at 9.00am
Wednesday 14 th October	Individual photos Pupils will have their photograph taken individually and with siblings who attend the school if requested.
Monday 19 th to Friday 23 rd October – Literacy Week	On Thursday 22 nd children are invited to dress up as a favourite character from a Book. Moved to Thursday this year as Adam Bushnell visiting this day.
Friday 23rd October Autumn Half Term	
Monday 2 nd November	Return to school
Monday 9 th November	Appointment sheets will be available for parents open afternoon.
Monday 16 th November	Parents Open Afternoon
Monday 7 th December	Christmas Disco's Children to purchase tickets in school nearer the time
Wednesday 9 th December	Caterpillar and Butterflies Nursery Christmas Singalong for parents to attend 9:30am or 1pm
Friday 11 th December	Y2/Y3 Show 1:15 in lower hall
Monday 14 th December	KS2 Cinderella Panto trip 1:15
Monday 14 th December	Reception/Y1 Christmas show 1:15 in the lower hall
Tuesday 15 th December	KS2 Christmas show 1:15 in the lower hall
Wednesday 16 th December	Nursery & KS1 Christmas Parties Pupils to come into school in party clothes
Thursday 17th December Break up for Christmas	
Monday 4 th January 2016	Return to school