

Rich fields of learning



Newsletter 8 - 15th December 2023

Dates for Your Diary

Here are some dates for your diary: -

18.12.23 Christmas parties, children can wear party clothes all day, parties start at 1pm, food provided.

19.12.23 Christingle service in school at 2pm all welcome, followed by refreshments.

19.12.23 End of term

04.01.24 Back to school

05.01.24 Play and stay 2pm

26.01.24 Reading café 9.00am- 10.30pm



Congratulations to our Times Table Rockstars this week:



These Children have beaten the time of 21 mins per week and were the highest in their year group.

Christmas lunch

Thank you to Lynn for a lovely Christmas lunch, the children and staff thoroughly enjoyed it. It was such a pleasure to see the children and staff sat together to enjoy a festive meal. Owls made some wonderful table decorations and we even had crackers.

Reading Café

On Friday 26th January at 9.00am-10.30am we are holding a reading café in school. Parents and Carers are invited to come along and take part in reading activities With refreshments. All are welcome.

Christmas Performance



The children were amazing! We were so proud of their confidence in the Christmas performance. Thank you for coming, we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did!

Recorder Concert

Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 put on a fabulous recorder concert. The children showed great confidence and skill as they played in front of their families and friends. Their teachers were super proud! A huge thank you to our wonderful recorder teacher; Mrs Unwin.

After School Clubs

Due to rising costs for the school, we will be raising our breakfast and after school club charges from January 2024. The cost of Breakfast Club will be £3.50 per day (extra £2 for the earlier start) and After School Clubs will be £3.50 for the first session and £4.50 for extended care.

Please be aware that after school club finishes promptly at 4.30pm. Although we understand that people are occasionally delayed if children are collected late on a regular basis a charge will be incurred for the next hour.

Friends of the school Christmas raffle

Thank you to all who supported the Christmas raffle! We raise an amazing £370 which paid for the coach to go to the pantomime.

Play and Stay

Play and stay will be on the following Friday's after Christmas: January 5th and 19th, February 2nd and 16th.



Learning Around School

Blackbirds

Christmas certainly hit Blackbirds this past couple of weeks. Along with all of the regular fun learning, we have managed to have some great crafting sessions. I won't spoil the surprises, but I hope you enjoy the crafts that your child will bring home for Christmas.



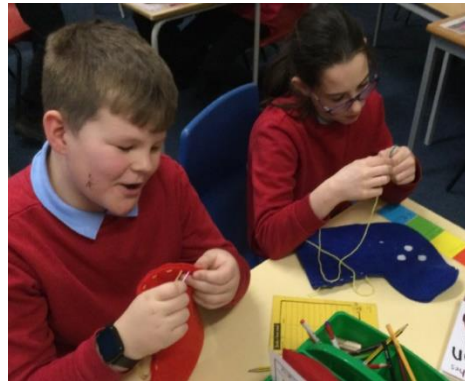
Owls

This week in Owls we enjoyed a smoothie making and healthy eating workshop from Chartwells. The children described the smoothies and the different flavours that they could taste. They compared these smoothies with the ones that they had designed and made.



Robins

Robins have been making Christmas stockings in D&T. The children designed their stockings, and cut out the designs. They made the front of the design before sewing them together. Robins are very proud of the finished results and the children had great fun learning new skills.



After School Clubs – From January 2024

Please give 24hrs notice of bookings or cancellations

Monday – Lego

Tuesday – Computers

Wednesday – Homework (not suitable for nursery children)

Thursday – Mindful Colouring

Friday – Puzzles/Board Games

Please send an email to:

butterknowle@durhamlearning.net to book your child into after school club or breakfast club.