

# Newsletter 9 – 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024

#### **Dates for Your Diary**

Here are some dates for your diary: 06.02.24-10.2.24 Children's mental health week
07.02.24 Safer Internet day
12.02.24 FOBS meeting 6- 7pm in school all welcome
14.02.24 Y5/Y6 Netball Competition, Newton Aycliffe
16.02.24 Break up for half term
26.02.24 Return to school

07.03.24 World Book day children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character.08.03.24 Mother's Day coffee morning in school hall all are welcome to attend



Congratulations to our Times Tables Rockstar this week ...

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

Sophie Slater, Jessica Stephenson, Scarlett Butterfield and Ava Linsley. Well Done!

#### Safer Internet day

Safer Internet Day 2024 will take place on the 6th of February 2024, with celebrations and learning based around the theme 'Inspiring change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online'. Mrs Makin will be doing an assembly on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February about how we can stay safe online!

#### Year 6 Booster club

Year 6 booster will be every Tuesday after school until 4:15pm, starting Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January. Mrs Makin looks forward to seeing the year 6 children there.

#### Play and Stay

Play and Stay Play and stay will be on the following Friday's this half term: 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> February. *Please note change of time these sessions will run from 2.15pm to 3.00pm.* 

#### **Reading Café**

Thank you to all those who attended our Reading café. We had a great time!



























# Learning Around School Blackbirds

We have been exploring some more in Blackbirds class. Last week we explored space and we made a huge class rocket to get through the solar system. This week we moved to under the sea, where we created some beautiful bubble painting pictures and have explored the depth of the ocean. We are looking forward to venturing into the leafy jungle next week.



## <u>Robins</u>

Robins have had a great time this week making their Mayan masks out of clay! Mayan masks played a central role in Maya culture. They were made for a variety of occasions and purposes. In fact, they were even used to decorate temples. The importance of the masks dictated how intricate the designs were. The most sacred Mayan masks featured complex and delicate mosaics made out of jade. Other materials used were stone, wood, gold, shell and obsidian (a hard, dark, glass-like volcanic rock).













## <u>Owls</u>

In Art and Design we have continued our work on Rimini Blu by trying out different tools to re-create the patterns that are special to Rimini Blu pottery. We used pen lids, Lego, Duplo and a special clay tool.





<u>After School Clubs</u> 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 give 24hrs notice of bookings or cancellationsPleasesendanemailtobutterknowle@durhamlearning.nettobook your childinto after school club or breakfast club.