

Newsletter 3-14th October 2022



Dates For Your Diary

Here are some dates for your diary: -

- 17th October Cross country Y5/Y6 children
- 19th October Y3/4 Tag rugby 9-12pm, Staindrop
- 19th October Harvest Festival, School Hall 2pm, all welcome
- 21st October Halloween Activity Day
- 24th to 28th October Half Term Holidays
- 2nd November Parents evening 2-5pm
- 11th November Remembrance Day service at the war memorial 11am
- 14th November- Antibullying week odd sock day.
- 16th November Influenza Immunisation Programme
- 16th November school photographs
- 16th November FOBS movie night 3.30-5.00pm
- 18th November- Children In Need
- 7th December Christmas play at the Village hall
- 16th December Panto Pinocchio at The Georgian Theatre Royal

Foodbank Donations

This year for our Harvest Food Collection, we are delighted to support our friends at TCR The Hub. The Hub provide care packages throughout Teasdale and would appreciate support by bringing in items such as - tinned meals such as meatballs, spaghetti, beans and sausages, tinned veg with a ring pull lid, tinned fruit with a ring pull lid, pasta and pasta sauce, rice, quick cook packet meals such as noodles, rice, pasta. Quick cook desserts such as sponges, rice pudding, custard. Squash and juice, tea, hot chocolate and coffee, sugar and flour, salt and pepper, stock cubes, tinned fish with a ring pull lid, shampoo, shower gel, toothpaste, soap, flannels and sponges. Disinfectant spray, washing up liquid, washing powder or liquid, sponges and cloths. Refuse sacks, biscuits, cakes, coloured pencils, coloured and plain paper, glue sticks.

Items can be brought into school from Monday 3rd October please put all donations in a plastic bag. Thank you for your support.

Parents Evening Wednesday 2nd November

Appointments have been sent out this week for parents evening on Wednesday 2nd November. If you are unable to attend please contact the school office

Uniform Swap

We are planning on holding a uniform swap. If you have any good quality second hand school uniform that no longer fits your child and would like to donate it for the uniform swap, please send it in to school. There will be an opportunity at parents evening for children and parents to look and see if there are any items that could be of use saving money and the environment.



The Dales Partnership Facebook Page

The Facebook page shared by the schools is now up and running and you

can see it by using the link below. We will update it regularly with information and pictures about what has been happening in school.

https://www.facebook.com/The-Dales-Partnership-105156162228206

Tell Tale Twit

On Wednesday Robins and Owls had a visit from a



storyteller who told the children alternative versions of stories in a very animated way. There were lots of giggles and ooos!



<u>Coats</u>

As the weather changes please can you ensure that your child brings a coat to school which is named.

Start of the School Day

Thank you to everyone who is arriving promptly for the start of the school day which gives the children a calm and positive start to their day in school and makes sure that they do not miss any of our routines and learning. It is really important that children are here on time and we appreciate your support with this.

Halloween Activity Day

On the last day of half term Friday 21st October the children are invited to come to school in their Halloween costumes, we ask that masks are not brought into school or accessories to avoid any items getting lost.

The children will have a day of activities based on Halloween.

Learning Around School

Blackbirds



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<u>Owls</u>





This week Owls have looked at shadows in science, making the most of the sunshine and discovered how to change the length of a shadow.

<u>Robins</u>

We had a visitor on Wednesday who was a storyteller. The children looked closely at some well-known fairy tales and nursery rhymes to see what they were really about.















FOBS are Friends of Butterknowle School (FOBS)

The friends of the school are looking to hold a tombola at the Christmas Fayre at the Village Hall on 19th November. All donations are welcome to be dropped off at school.

Movie Night

The FOB's are holding a movie night on 16th November 3.30-5pm £2.50 per child which includes refreshments and a hot dog. If you would like your child to attend please book a place on parent pay no later than Friday 11th November.

After School Clubs

Monday - Basketball Tuesday - Science Experiments Wednesday - Forest School (Please provide old clothes and wellies to change into) Thursday - Homework Friday - Board Games

To book your child into after school club or breakfast club, please send an email to: <u>butterknowle@durhamlearning.net</u>

Flu Immunisations

The flu vaccine will be offered to all primary school children from reception to year 6. Nasal flu vaccination is delivered in school on Wednesday 16th November.

Please use the following link to give consent, the code for Butterknowle School is **HD114102**:

https://www.hdftsais.co.uk/Forms/Flu

Application for a Secondary School Place – September 2023



If your child is due to transfer to secondary school in September next year you will have received a letter about how

to apply. The application process will be open on 5 September 2022, the closing date is **31**st **October 2022**.

Please apply on-line at: <u>www.durham.gov.uk/schooladmissions</u>

School Meals

We have our new Chartwells menu in school, if you would like to see the menu, it is available on our website or please use the following link:-

Foodin School (butterknowle.durham.sch.uk)

Play and Stay

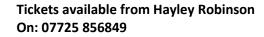
Play and stay will be on Friday mornings starting from 16th September 9.15-10.30

Each session costs £1 which goes towards refreshments and resources.









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FINANCIAL CRISIS SUPPORT



TCR sessions to access advice and cooking on a budget Thursday from 4 to 6pm

13 Oct: Andrew from The Crown 3 Nov: Carly from Moment's Café 17 Nov: Kenny from Chocolate Fayre 1 Dec: to be confirmed 15 Dec: to be confirmed

Are you concerned about the cost of living and worried about managing over winter? Come and chat to people in the same situation and access advice on managing your money at our Feed the Family sessions, with **Citizen's Advice** as well as **local chefs** who are making a meal for the family at £1 a head. Crafts and games available.

Booking essential at <u>www.tcrhub.co.uk</u>

TCR Hub, Shaw Bank, Barnard Castle DL12 8TD Phone: 01833 690150



