

Headteacher's Blog

Friday 23rd November 2017.



Thank you Year 6 -

Year 6 were a credit to school and their families this week when they baked biscuits to share at the Chantry Servery in Church with Mrs Chisholm and Rev. Jane Scott. Their manners were excellent! Class 3 also impressed our visitor from the University of Northumbria who delivered a code cracking workshop in English and Robot making workshop in Science. They were praised for their intelligence, politeness and teamwork. It was also nice to work with the two upper key stage 2 pupils from Branton Community Primary School. I am currently working with DHS on providing more opportunities for the older children to visit the Duchess School over the next terms to prepare them for Secondary School.

PTA Events-

Don'f forget lots of exciting things planned for December. Please see latest letter, news on our website and Facebook Page.

Safeguarding News -

Please ensure that children are safely with you after you pick them off from school and do not run ahead.

Children in Need -

Well done Class 1 £154.24 was raised for their chosen charity Children in Need.

100% Attendance -

Unfortunately we seem to have been hit by bugs this week and no class has managed 100% attendance. Please ensure if your child has a sickness bug that they are kept off for 48 hours after the illness has subsided in order to stop germs spreading.

Holidays out of term time - School children are lucky enough to have lots of time off school for holidays. Please do not take your child out of school for holidays in term time.

Reminders -

Family Fun and Fitness Yoga session Monday 27th November 2.30-3.00 in Whittingham Memorial Hall. All our dates are on the calendar page of our website. This is updated regularly. An updated dates letter was sent out last week.

Saturday 2nd December is our Church Fair. Thank you so much for your donations of toys and books. Also that weekend is national tree weekend and I will have strips of material for you to write your messages on at the Church Fair and for you then to tie to the trees in our school grounds before you go home.

Monday 11th December - Early Years trip to Alnwick Gardens

Class 3 are welcome to join me for our homework club each Friday lunchtime. They are also welcome to join me most lunchtimes to access our fantastic learning including School 360, Active Learn and our new First News online quizzes.

Please remember that I continue to welcome an 'Open Door Policy' but please bear in mind if you wish to meet with me meetings have much less impact on the children if you can meet me 3.30 p.m. Monday - Friday. Please contact the office and I will get back to you, usually within 24 hours.