



# Headteacher's Blog

Friday 28th June 2018

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome to our weekly blog. Please see our website for photos in the Gallery or Class pages as they are regularly updated. As always, please do not hesitate to contact us by email, in person or telephone if you have any suggestions for ways in which we can make school even better!

Best Wishes, Belinda Athey - Headteacher.



## **New outdoor area -**

Following our area outside class 2 and class 3 being redeveloped ( thanks again) we have now two lovely picnic benches which were installed last Friday. They have provided a welcome shady area for the children to chat, draw and read. We hope to have the final word for on a date for our finance to be in place for our MUGA very soon. Thank you to the children and parents who stayed after school yesterday to weed and add topsoil to our garden area at the front of the school. We are now looking to add bark clippings to this area. If anyone has access to a relatively cheap source of bark chippings please contact school.

## **Baby and Toddler Group-**

We hope to work with St Bartholomew's Church and jointly run a Baby and Toddler Group from September. Suggestions are required as we need to give the group a name. Please let staff know what you think. Thank you for the name suggested by Oscar of 'Bouncing Barts' any more names suggested are welcome too.

## **Summer Fair-**

Don't forget our Summer Fair is on Saturday 7th July 10- 1p.m. We will be setting up on the morning of the Fair from 8.30 a.m. please join us if you can. Also, thank you so much for the offer of help, items, prizes and so on. My office is becoming full of all sorts of goodies!

## **Mrs Fletcher returns -**

Mrs Fletcher returns on Tuesday 10th July. Upon her return she will be working for four full days, usually Monday-Thursday. I will be working with Mrs Chisholm on Fridays to deliver Forest Schools, PSHE, PE and RE across KS2 which I am very pleased about as I can continue to work with the children as they continue the journey through our fabulous Primary School.

## **After School Provision -**

Following interviews we have a replacement to cover Mrs Lewis during her Maternity Leave. Mrs Natallia Watson will join us in September and we look forward to her joining our team. This appointment will enable us to trial our After School Provision 3.15p.m.- 5.45p.m. Full details to follow.

## **2 Year Old Provision -**

From September we intend to start and deliver a 2 year old session ( if this proves popular sessions will increase). Miss Dick and I are meeting next week to work out the finer details. Letter to follow!

## **Considerate Parking -**

We continue to receive a number of complaints about cars being parked in front of driveways. Please park considerately.

## **Well done!**

The children in Year 5 and 6 were fantastic at Dukeshousewood last week and were a credit to you all. The venue, which is new to us was great and I am sure will be a firm favourite in the future. The girls football team played fantastically well at the School Games event in Cramlington and Cricket at Stocksfield. All the children in KS2 performed so well during the Opera North Big Sing last night at Alnwick Playhouse and were amazing. Finally, the Early Years and Key Stage 1 Sports Day was fabulous. Thank you for coming and supporting us. More dates are in the diary. Please see our dates letter/ website for further details.