



NEWSLETTER 2: SEPTEMBER

Star of the Week

The following children have received a Star of the Week certificate this week:



- Nursery - Brody for always having lovely manners and being a great friend to all
- Reception - Freddie S for his wonderful manners and being a superb role model in class
- Year 1 - Isla for always having a smile on her face and being a great friend!
- Year 2 - Cade for some excellent work in maths this week when partitioning two-digit numbers
- Year 3 - Willow for her fantastic independent work when describing a Stone Age cave.
- Year 4 - Tyler S for his fabulous diary entry
- Year 5 - Ava for contributing more during class discussions. It is lovely to see your confidence growing. Keep it up!
- Year 6 - Evie for excellent work in maths this week



Attendance

As you know, attendance is hugely important and we will be reporting attendance on a weekly/monthly basis. The class with the best attendance each month will be rewarded with an extra 10 minutes of play time.

Pupils with 100% attendance each term will also receive a certificate.

This week's attendance is:

Nursery	Reception	Year1	Year2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
96.4%	99.2%	91.3%	97.2%	93.1%	91.6%	98.6%	99.3%

Attendance over all for the whole school is 95.6%



House Points

We have re-introduced the House Points system in school. Children can earn house points from all staff during the week. The house points for this week are:

St Aidan - 723

St Cuthbert - 827

St Oswald - 658

St Bede - 694

Well done to everyone

Year 6

Congratulations to Matthew & Layla who have been chosen as Head Boy & Head Girl.

The follow children have been chosen as house captions

- St Bede House Captains - Scarlett & Lewis
- St Aidan House Captains - Evie & Thomas
- St Oswald House Captains - Daniel & Millie
- St Cuthbert House Captains - Emily D & Alex

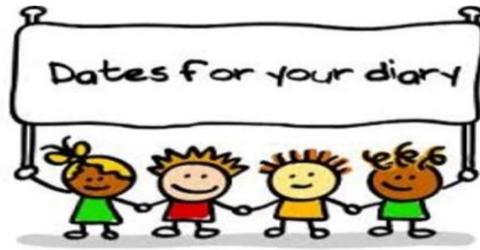
All other children in Year 6 will be Prefects. We look forward to all of our Year 6 children supporting us to set good examples to the rest of the school.

School Yard

The school yard will be open from 8.40 am on a morning. Until staff arrive on the yard children are parent/carers responsibility and should not be left unattended.

Once on the yard children should line up in their class line. Can we please ask that parents do not stand in the line with their children.

Due to Health & Safety **NO DOGS** are allowed on the school premises and the smoking of cigarettes and vapours is also not allowed on the school premises.



Dates for your diary have been published and are available on our website.

It was lovely to meet the parents/carers of our new reception children at a coffee morning/afternoon yesterday and we look forward to welcoming all parents/carers into school over the coming weeks/months.

McMillan coffee morning

We will be holding a coffee morning in school on Friday 24th September at 9.30 am (in the school hall) in aid of McMillan Cancer support. Donation of cakes would be very much appreciated. Please come along with family and friends to help us support this wonderful cause.



School Office & Absence Reporting

Office hours are 8.00 am - 4.00 pm Monday to Thursday and 8.00 am - 3.30 pm Friday. Mrs Cowan is available during these hours if you have any queries. If your message is not urgent or you wish to report a pupil absence please leave a message on the answer phone.

Pupil absences should be reported to school **by 8.50 am** and a reason for absence given. Can you please advise us of the reason/symptoms and not just say they are "feeling unwell" as we need to monitor any trends.

Northumbria in Bloom



Savannah, Will, Aria, Louie & Sienna met the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) judges and members of our local authority as part of our application for the 2021 Northumbria in Bloom competition. They were all very impressed with the way the children engaged, the items they had grown, and the amazing habitats they created for mini-beasts.

We will be notified of the outcome of our application on Wednesday 29th September 2021.

Savannah & Will will attend the Ceremony and Aria, Louie & Sienna have received a plant to take home and care for and a certificate of achievement.

We will of course update you of the outcome after the event and I would like to take this opportunity to thank you once again for supporting school activities.

If you have any queries, please contact us at
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