



**Spring Term 1 - 7th February 2020**

**National Story Telling Week**

To celebrate National Story Telling Week, we began our week with a whole school story on Monday afternoon. Our children gathered in the school hall as we would do for an assembly and heard a story told by Mrs Rand about a girl who visited London. We enjoyed reading it all together.

**Safer Internet Day - Tuesday 11th**



Children will be doing activities around being safe on the internet especially looking at the issues around social media.

**Year 5 at Wolsingham School - Tuesday 11th**

Our Year 5 children will be visiting Wolsingham School for their final session on Tuesday. They will leave around 12.00pm and return for approximately 3.00pm ready for home time. A school lunch is provided.

**Sports Festivals**

Can children taking part in sports festivals this week, please come to school in their PE kits, tracksuit bottoms and sweatshirt. Also please ensure they bring a bottle of water and their uniform to school in a bag to change into when they return.


**Wednesday 12th - Year 5 & 6** are attending a Netball Competition In Newton Aycliffe

**Thursday 13th - Year 1 & 2** children attending a Multiskills Competition at Staindrop Academy

**Valentines Disco - Thursday 13th February**

Children from Reception to Year 6 are invited to our Valentine school disco on Thursday. It will start at 3.30pm so children can bring clothes to change into and will finish at 5. The cost will be £2.00 and this will include refreshments e.g. a drink, crisps, pizza etc. All the money raised will go towards raising funds for the school defibrillator.

**Reading Volunteers**

 We are looking for some volunteers to come and help listening to children read and change reading books. If you are interested please speak to Mrs Gill.

**Bowes and Raby Castle Classes visiting The Forum Theatre, Billingham to see 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea'**



We have arranged for Bowes and Raby Castle classes to see 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea' production at The Forum Theatre on Wednesday 18th March. Please see the letter your child received this week with information regarding the visit and how to pay for it via ParentPay.

**Mother's Day Cuppa, Cake and Craft Afternoon - Thursday 19th March**

We are inviting up to two special adults to join each family for our Mother's Day Cuppa, Cake and Craft Afternoon on Thursday 19th March at 1.30pm. Please remember to return your reply slip that was on the letter your child received earlier in the week, **before Friday 28th February**. The cost for the Cuppa, Cake and Craft Afternoon is £2.00 for each adult attending (payable through ParentPay by Friday 6th March).



**Half Term Holiday**

We break up for half term on Friday 14th and school will re-open on Monday 24th February.



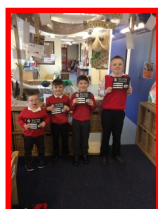
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★ Here are our Achievers of the Week ★



**Superstar  
Writers**



**Maths  
Award**



**Christian  
Values**



**Sports  
Award**



**Super  
Reader**



**Class  
Dojo**

Please be aware that some other children have been awarded certificates but are unable to appear on social media. If you wish your child to now appear on the newsletters and social media please speak to Mrs Robinson. We also have some nursery children who haven't had their photo taken due to not being in. They will be put on Facebook next week.

Attendance

**3rd February – 7th February 2020**

R	<b>98%</b>
Y1	94%
Y2	93%
Y3	<b>100%</b>
Y4	<b>97%</b>
Y5	95%
Y6	<b>98%</b>

**Happy Birthday to....**

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**Well done to Reception, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 6!**

**Key Dates**

**FEBRUARY**

Tuesday 11th	All day - Safer Internet Day pm - Year 5 children are visiting Wolsingham School
Wednesday 12th	am - Year 5 & 6 taking part in a Netball Competition at Newton Aycliffe
Thursday 13th	am - Year 1 & 2 taking part in a Multiskills Festival at Staindrop Academy 11.00am - 3.00pm - Year 5 attending 'Active Minds' event at Staindrop Academy 3.30pm - 5.00pm - Valentine Disco for Reception to Year 6
Friday 14th	pm - break up for Spring Half Term
Monday 24th	am - school re-opens for Spring Term 2
Tuesday 25th	am - school nurse talking to Bowes and Raby Castle classes about dental hygiene

**MARCH**

Thursday 5th	All Day - World Book Day
Tuesday 10th	All Day - Adam Bushnell (Author) working with children
Wednesday 11th	9.00am - 3.00pm - Year 5 visiting Staindrop Academy Taster Day
Wednesday 18th	12.00pm - 3.30pm - Bowes and Raby Castle Classes visiting The Forum Theatre, Billingham to see 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea'
Thursday 19th	1.30pm - Mother's Day Cuppa, Cake and Craft Afternoon
Tuesday 24th	am - Reception attending Multiskills Festival at Staindrop Academy
Wednesday 25th	am - Year 1 & 2 attending Football Competition at Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre
Thursday 26th	am - Year 5 & 6 attending Multiskills Festival at Staindrop Academy 4.00pm - 5.30pm - Disco for Reception to Year 6
Monday 30th	am - some Year 1 & 2 children attending Orienteering at Staindrop Academy 2.00pm - Easter Service at St Paul's Church (all parents, carers and family members are welcome to join us)
Tuesday 31st	2.00pm - 5.30pm - Parent Consultation Afternoon

**APRIL**

Friday 3rd	3.15pm - Break up for Easter Holiday
Monday 20th	am - School re-opens for Summer Term 1