

VANE ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – FRIDAY 14TH MAY 2021

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Message from Mr. Pavey

It has been an extremely busy week and a particular strange weather week. We seem to have had all seasons this week with home time on Monday being one of the most challenging I have even known. Thank you to everyone who was so sensible and considerate to others while we all coped with the deluge!

I held a number of different consultation meetings this week with staff and parents/carers regarding the proposed Federation with Woodham Burn. It is really important that the Governors hear your views on this as it effects your children. It is very difficult to make a big decision like this with a small response from parents/cares so please make sure that you have your say and complete the survey. Before doing so, please can you make sure that you have a full understanding of the matters involved in the proposal. Some of the comments in the survey show that there is a limited understanding of what is involved in this proposal. An issue that has been raised has been around this being considered a merger or an amalgamation. I want to be really clear, this is not the case and Vane Road will continue to be a unique school with its own identity. You can watch the video of the parent consultation meeting by [CLICKING HERE](#) and you can give your views by [CLICKING HERE](#). The Governors will consider all responses but they can't consider responses that are not put forward.

I am aware that some parents/carers may not have been able to access the consultation meeting due to its timing so I will be putting on another opportunity to discuss the proposal on Tuesday 18th May at 5:30pm. This meeting will be recorded and parents from both Woodham Burn and Vane Road can attend but you must register your interest to join by emailing federationconsultation@durhamlearning.net before 1pm on Monday 17th May. I will send out instructions on how to access the meeting on Tuesday morning. The recording of the meeting will be made available to all parents/carers of Vane Road and Woodham Burn until 16th June 2021.

COVID Update

I am sure you are all well aware that the next stage in the Roadmap will happen on Monday. We have reviewed our risk assessment and feel that we are now able decrease the staggered start to our day. From Monday, we would like all children and parent/carers to continue to use the same gates as they have been since September. The Junior yard gates will be open at 8:45am with the other gates and doors being opened at 8:50am. Children should be in class by 9am ready to learn. Please can Junior children parents/carers continue to leave your child at the Junior yard gates. A member of staff will be at the Junior yard gate to take any urgent messages and a member of the Senior Leadership Team will be at the main entrance if anyone needs to speak to them.

The routine for the end of the day will remain the same. We will review this after half term.

Quick Reminders

Please can we remind you that all absences, appointments and late arrivals must be confirmed with the school office even if you have told your child's class teacher. The office are responsible for the legal process of recording children's attendance accurately. Thank you for your assistance with this.

Attendance



This week's attendance (w/c 10.5.21)		Our Minimum Target is 96%
Class	Attendance %	
1	97.3	
2	99.3	
3	100	
4	95.9	
5	96.5	
6	97.1	
7	91.1	
8	96.5	
9	94.4	
10	93.8	
11	98.0	
12	98.3	
13	90.5	
14	96.0	

Well done to classes 1,2,3,5, 6,8,11,12 and 14 who have all achieved attendance above our minimum target level. Special "Well done" to class 3 for attendance that was the best out of the entire school.

Teacher's Awards



We are sorry that we can't invite parents into school for an assembly at present but have asked the teachers to give weekly merit awards.

These are the children who have received them this week.

C1	All of Class 1	C2	Bailey B
C3	Jude S-F, Oskar R	C4	Charlotte H, George T
C5	Libby H, Isabella C, Lily-Jayne W	C6	Aizick H, Will W, Grayson A
C7	Jake T	C8	Oscar P
C9	Sophie J	C10	Libby C
C11	Ava S, Hannah B, Joel S, Jake B, Freddy D, Maisie B	C12	Gethin H-R, Annabel R
C13	Tom N, Max C, Millie C	C14	Sophie F

Rights Respecting Certificates were given to Luke H (C1) and Leo H (C2).



Dates for Your Diary

May bank holiday: Monday 3rd May
Break up for half term: Friday 28th May
Return to school: Tuesday 8th June
Break up for the summer holidays:
Friday 16th July

After School Clubs - Summer Term

All after school clubs finish at 4:15pm.

Monday: Year 5/6 Athletics

Tuesday: Year 4 Athletics

Wednesday: Year 4 Netball

Thursday: Year 5/6 Cricket

Friday: Year 5/6 Football

Out of Hours Club

REMINDER

If you require child care before or after school this term, you MUST book in the week before.

Breakfast club will open at 7.30am and all children MUST be in by 8.15am. After school club will be until 5.30pm.

These arrangements are to help us keep all the children safe.

If you would like any further information, or to book your child into our Out of Hours Club please ring Debbie Ridley on **07900701981**.

Breakfast Club – If you are paying for your child to have breakfast please make sure they arrive in time - our last serving is at **8.15am**. Thank you.

After School Club – A reminder that this club starts at 3.15pm and finishes promptly at 5:30pm.

Holiday Club – If you need any more information, please get in touch.

<https://www.vaneroadprimary.co.uk/parents/out-of-hours-club>

Local Sports Clubs and Events – New 2021

Cricket — Newton Aycliffe Cricket Club — contact Adam Gittins on 07748508239 or algittins@googlemail.com. Visit their website https://newtonaycliffe.play-cricket.com/website/web_pages/233640

Football – Newton Aycliffe Youth Football Club – Visit their website <https://www.nayfc.com/> or contact Bernie 07939 045242

Badminton -Newton Aycliffe Badminton Club – contact peterwalton1@aol.com or ring 07917095478. Sessions run every Monday evening 4.00pm – 5.00pm at Newton Aycliffe Youth Centre.

Junior Parkrun - South Park, Darlington - <https://www.parkrun.org.uk/southpark-juniors/>

Rights Respecting

Next week we will be looking at:

Article 24: Children have the right to the best health care possible, clean water to drink, healthy food and a clean and safe environment to live in. All adults and children should have information about how to stay safe and healthy.