

VANE ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – FRIDAY 28TH MAY 2021

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Message from Mr. Pavey

We have made it to the end of another half term and when we return there will be just 6 weeks left until the end of the school year. I look forward to a little more normality in that coming 6 weeks and I will keep you posted on what events we will be able to host. This week it was lovely to have the Planetarium in school for our Year 1 children to enrich their learning about Space.

It would be remiss of me not to mention the closure of the Year 6 and Reception classes this week due to a member of staff testing positive for COVID19. I understand how frustrating and worrying this news will have been for everyone. I am pleased that the member of staff is recovering well and that, so far, we have not had any further cases reported. I want to assure everyone that all COVID measure set out by the Government are being followed and when we have a positive case confirmed, we are guided by Public Health England as to what action we need to take. As more of us get our vaccinations, the greater the chances that the Government guidance will change for schools and when we do have cases, the disruption will be far less. In my view, we are going to have to get to a point where we live with COVID19 knowing that the vaccines will protect the vast majority of us.

It is with a very heavy heart that I have to let you know that Mr Cope has been successful in his application to become a Teacher with Leadership responsibility at Hunton and Arrathorne Primary School, North Yorkshire. He will take up the post in September and whilst I am sad for us, I am delighted for Mr Cope, this is a promotion he thoroughly deserves. He will leave very large boots to fill and the Governors will meet the week after half term to start the recruitment process. I will keep you informed of how that progresses.

Normally, I would be letting you all know which classes the teachers will be teaching from September in this newsletter but Mr Cope's departure makes this complicated and I will wait until the Governors have confirmed the plan to replace him before I make that announcement.

I want to apologise as last week I wrote that Mrs Sim was our Mental Health Lead but this was incorrect; Mrs Smith and Mrs Rome are our Mental Health Lead members of staff, if you would like to discuss any aspects of the mental health support we give in school, please don't hesitate to contact them.

COVID Update

If your child tests positive from today until Monday, please let us know immediately on our dedicated email address vanerodparents@durhamlearning.net

Quick Reminders

Could we please remind parents to park considerately outside school, not block drive-ways and to be respectful to our neighbours. Thank you.

The Federation Consultation is still open. If you have any questions, please email federationconsultation@durhamlearning.net and to respond to the consultation [CLICK HERE](#).

Attendance



This week's attendance (w/c 24.5.21)		Our Minimum Target is 96%
Class	Attendance %	
1	Isolating	Well done to classes 3,4,5,6 9 and 12 who have all achieved attendance above our minimum target level. Special "Well done" to Class 12 for attendance that was the best out of the entire school.
2	Isolating	
3	98.3	
4	99.3	
5	96.2	
6	96.2	
7	94.0	
8	92.3	
9	98.0	
10	95.4	
11	93.5	
12	99.6	
13	Isolating	
14	Isolating	

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	Pupils & Parents	C2	Pupils & Parents
C3	Leia B-S, Zane F, Thomas B-W	C4	Jace P, Niamh T
C5	Benjamin T-F	C6	Sid P
C7	William B, Luca D	C8	Layna S, Anna H, Kai L
C9	Sophie M	C10	Faith O'N
C11	Malikah W, Ellie R-C, Penny A	C12	Levi W, Grace A
C13	All of Class 13	C14	All of Class 14

Rights Respecting Certificates were given to Alistair J (C11) and Mikkel W (C12).



Dates for Your Diary

Break up for half term: Friday 28th May
Return to school: Tuesday 8th June
Y1 Vision Tests: Tuesday 8th June
Uniform Day: Thursday 17th June (2-5.30pm)
Woodham Y6 Transition Day: Friday 25th June
Greenfield Y6 Transition Day: Friday 25th June
Break up for 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>



Thank you to Friends of Vane Road for the wonderful donation towards restocking our library.

We have selected some amazing books for the children to enjoy!

Thank you for always supporting reading in school!

HOLIDAY PROJECT



Mrs Cowey and our Year 5 children have created a Vane Road Garden. They have been busy painting rocks similar to those shown to decorate the pathway.

The children have loved doing this and therefore we would like to extend this to every child in the school.

Over half-term, if you would like to contribute to this:

- Pick a smooth stone
- Paint it
- Bring it back to school after half-term

And we will put it in the garden.

All stones to be given to Mrs Cowey in Year 5.
THANK YOU & ENJOY!!

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

When we return after half-term we will be looking at **Article 19 & 34** both of which relate to Safeguarding Children.