



SOUTHRIDGE FIRST SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Newsletter 5: 13th November 2015



Reception Class - Supporting Your Child in Reading - thank you to all of those parents who attended the presentation delivered by Miss Parker and Mrs Mason. The power point used is on our school website www.southridgefirst.org.uk

Year 1 Scooter Skills - Mrs Aitken's class completed their workshop. All our Year 1 children have now been trained in how to 'scoot safely'!

Remembrance Assembly - Our Key Stage 2 children made poppies which we displayed during our Remembrance Assembly on Wednesday 11th November. I was very impressed with the respectful and thoughtful way that our children marked this occasion.



Children in Need - The children looked fantastic in their costumes this morning - thank you for all of your kind donations. Miss Bainbridge will post the final total on our school website and the monies collected will be sent off next week to help this worthy cause.



High Borran's Meeting - The hall was full on Monday evening as parents joined us to find out about all the exciting activities the Year 4 will take part in during their residential visit in April. Please remember that deposit payments/ permission slips need to be returned by 28th November.

Anti - Bullying Week - (16th - 20st November) Next week staff will be working with the children exploring our core values of friendship and kindness. Children will have class assemblies, circle time and complete activities as part of their PSHE curriculum. We work hard to ensure that our children feel safe, happy and secure in our school. If you ever have any concerns please speak to your child's class teacher - we are always available to help.

A huge 'THANK YOU' to all of you for supporting the fundraising events in school organised by the P.T.A. . Reception class are delighted that they have two extra cameras and Mrs Brownlee has been able to purchase some new books to further enhance reading opportunities for the children.

Reminders:

Year 3 V.E. Day Celebration - Year 3 will be holding a VE celebration in the school hall at 2pm on 20th November. Parents are most welcome - invitations from the children to follow.

Christmas Lunch - We have received the following information from Catering Services:

Please can you pay for your child's Christmas lunch by debit / credit card via JOINOS www.joinos.com or Tel: 01916432888. Meals cost £2.08.

If you do not have access to Joinos can you please contact catering.services@northtyneside.gov.uk to request a Joinos Code. To keep administration to a minimum we would appreciate it if you do not pay by cash. **Meals are free for those eligible for free school meals and for all children in Key Stage 1 (Reception, Year 1 and 2)**

St Oswald's Beanies - A message from Mrs Brownlee - the order has been placed for the St Oswald's Christmas Beanies and we are waiting for them to arrive. More details to follow in school bags.

Christmas Fayre - the Christmas Fayre will be held on **Friday 4th December at 4 pm to 6pm** in the school hall. The P.T.A. committee will be sending out more information in school bags. If you are able to help with refreshments / on a stall we would be very grateful - please email your details to southridgefirstpta@gmail.com



Nursery places - September 2016 - Please remember to return application forms to secure a place for your child in Nursery for September 2016 by **4th December**.

Yours sincerely,

S. E. Hall.

Mrs S. Hall
Headteacher

Please remember to name your child's school uniform and P.E. Kit - it helps us to return sweatshirts etc. to the correct child.

(Any donations of spare uniform would be appreciated for when children have accidents etc.)

Dates for your Diaries:



NOVEMBER	
16 th	Anti-Bullying Week begins
17 th	Year 4 Visit to Hancock Museum
20 th	VE Day – Year 3 – children to come dressed as an evacuee /WW2 child
24 th	Year 1 & 2 Flu Vaccination Programme – all children eligible. Further information and consent forms to follow.
25 th **	Year 1 – Pirate Day – details on Year 1 Curriculum letter
DECEMBER	
3 rd	CHRISTMAS DISCO 5 – 7.15PM
3 rd	Yr 4 Christmas Performance 2pm
4 th **	Christmas Fayre 4pm -6pm
8 th	Yr 3 Performance 2pm
9 th	Yr 2 Performance 2pm
11 th	Early Years Performance - Reception and Nursery – joint performance at 9.30am and 2pm. Reception parents may attend either the morning or afternoon performance. Nursery parents attend the performance when their child is usually in Nursery e.g. morning or afternoon.
15 th	Year 1 Christmas Performance
16 th	CHRISTMAS LUNCH
17 th	PARTY DAY
18 th	BREAK UP

January 4th – Staff return to School – Teacher Training Day

January 5th – Pupils return to school

**** New date added**