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We were very excited to welcome our special visitor, Pudsey Bear, to school on Friday morning. All of the children looked fantastic in their spots and Pudsey head bands. Thank you so much for your generous donations. Today we have raised a total of **£96** so far for Children in Need. If you would still like to make a donation, this option will be available on ParentPay until next Wednesday. Take a look on the next page to see some of our brilliant spotty outfits!



Our wonderful PTFA have been busy planning Christmas events. Please see the poster below for dates and details. Look out on ParentPay today for details of a special visitor on Wednesday 21st December.

New for this year classes will be putting their entrepreneurial skills to the test. Each class has been given £50 to make Christmas crafts to be sold at our Christmas Market on **Friday 16th December**. We will be inviting parents into classes from 3pm. The class who makes the most profit will be rewarded by the PTFA!

Foodbank

Our very generous school community has asked if we will collect items once again for the food bank this year. We will be taking donations in school every Friday and one of our parents has kindly offered to deliver them to the Newcastle West End Foodbank, which is in Benwell.



The food bank are particularly in need of:

- Cereal
- Tinned fruit
- Tinned rice
- UHT milk
- Crisps
- Biscuits
- Tinned meat
- Tinned veg
- Teabags
- Coffee
- Toiletries
- Tinned tomatoes
- Tinned fish
- Rice
- Custard
- Pasta sauce
- Juice
- Christmas treats!

Thank you so much for your support.
Mrs Lamb

For Your Information

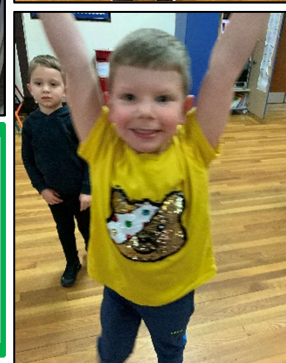
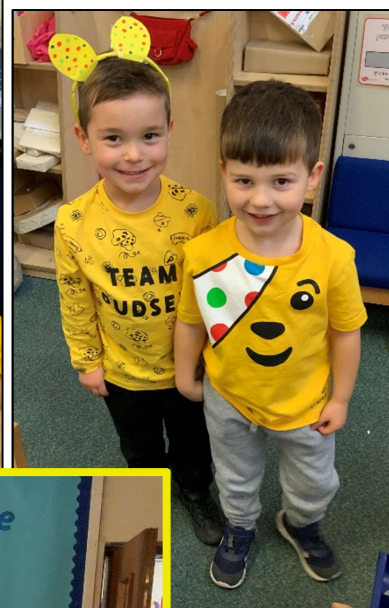
Please be aware that there will not be a school crossing patrol on the afternoon of Tuesday 22nd November.

Lost Purse

Can the person who found a purse and kindly handed it in to Mrs Lamb on the gate yesterday, please call into the school office. We have a lovely message for you!

Children in Need

Take a look at our amazing spotty outfits!
We have had a great day filled with lots of Pudsey bear fun



We would like to give a huge Gosforth Park thank you to the wonderful **Michelle from ASDA** who organised our special guest visitor today!

KS2 Trip to Beamish

On Wednesday our KS2 children had a brilliant educational visit to Beamish Museum as part of our Topic on Victorians. We particularly enjoyed experiencing what lessons would have been like in a Victorian school and using our historical enquiry skills to find out what happened to James White while he was working at the colliery. Our children were very well behaved and a credit to the school!



I would like to extend my thanks to all of our parent volunteers for their support and to the KS2 staff who really looked the part!

Thank you to our amazing PTFA who paid for the cost of coach travel and will do the same for KS1 and EYFS trips this academic year.

Mr Hindess

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 2022

REACH
OUT

#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

Our KS1 children were fantastic in assembly on Monday and showed a very good understanding of what bullying is and isn't. We talked about the definition of bullying from the anti-bullying alliance.

What is bullying?

Bullying is the **repetitive, intentional hurting** of one person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an **imbalance of power**.

It can happen face to face or online.

Anti-Bullying Alliance agreed definition

The key message from this year's campaign is to reach out to friends, staff, parents and carers.

In assembly, we regularly ask 'Give me 5' where the children name 5 adults in school they could go to for help.

The video we watched can be found here
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aMfgZRdVbdw>



Follow the link below to sign up to the DOSE magazine produced by our friends at Kalmer Counselling and to download free resources.

World Cup Afternoon



On Monday, children (and teachers) will be happy to hear that we will be showing England's first group game in classes from 1pm and children will be completing some fun world-cup and geography themed activities.

We will be using the world cup to look at the locations of different countries and to ensure that our children understand the importance of team work, respect and tolerance in an age appropriate way.

Mrs Lamb



Congratulations to Dax and Paighton who attended their first Taekwondo competition at the weekend. Dax came 3rd and won a bronze medal in sparring! Well done to you both – we are very proud of you!

Pre-Loved Uniform

PRE-LOVED ITEMS WE CAN SELL		PRE-LOVED ITEMS WE CAN NOT SELL
OFFICIAL SCHOOL JUMPERS	£2.50	NON – OFFICIAL JUMPERS
OFFICIAL SCHOOL CARIGANS	£2.50	NON – OFFICIAL CARIGANS
OFFICIAL SCHOOL POLOS	£1.50	NON – OFFICIAL POLOS
GIRLS CHECKED DRESSES	£1.50	GREY BOYS TROUSERS
GREY PINAFORES	£1.50	GREY TAYLORED GIRLS TROUSERS
GREY SKIRTS	£0.50	GREY BOYS SHORTS
GREY GIRLS SOFT TROUSERS	£0.50	DAMAGED OR MARKED ITEMS
SCHOOL BAG (NEW STYLE)	£2.50	
SCHOOL BAG (OLD STYLE)	£1.50	
OFFICIAL PE T-SHIRT/SHORTS	£0.50	

Items are currently sold from 6 Burnside Road NE3 2DU, with a drop off box at the front door. Please **REMEMBER** items, particularly red, must not be marked as they are unable to be sold on. You can text me Kate Watkins (Parent) on 07947846974

Staff Training Days

Staff Training Days for GST schools this academic year will be:

- Monday 31st October 2022
- Friday 23rd December 2022
- Friday 26th May 2023

Please see the dates for your diary below and the school calendar for 2022_2023.

In light of the announcement of His Majesty's coronation on Saturday 6 May 2023, an additional bank holiday has been announced on Monday 8 May and school will be closed on this day.

Attendance

Our whole school attendance to date this academic year is **97.4%** which is well above this time last year (95.8%)

Our class of the week this week is **Reception Miss Coughlan** with **99.3%** attendance.

Well done!

Thanks

Mrs Lamb



Wow, we have had an amazing surge in the number of Rockstars and Rock Legends this week. **Leo S** has amazed us all with a Studio time of **0.98 seconds** – incredible!

Our new Rockstars are **Zoe T, Muhammad H, Charlotte B, Erin H** and **Joel W** – we are all so proud of your efforts!



Green class have been doing lots of amazing Mathletics work this week – you are our Mathletes of the Week. Orange and Yellow classes were very close behind you though! Wonderful efforts from **Joe M, Sahib S-D** and **Bruce R** – you are all superstars!

Applying for Places

Please apply on time to avoid disappointment. We are currently full with waiting lists in all year groups.

Nursery Application forms for places in September 2023 will be available on the school website and from the office from Friday 13th January 2023

The closing date for applications is 17th March 2023.

Offer letters will be emailed out on 24th March 2023.

The deadline for accepting a place is Friday 28th April.

Reception Applications for September 2023

Applications open: 1 September 2022

Applications close: 15 January 2023

National offer day: 17 April 2023

Further information can be found at

<https://www.newcastle.gov.uk/services/schools-learning-and-childcare/apply-school-place/applying-reception-places>

Parents are able to visit the school on the following dates. Please phone the school office to book a place:

Monday 10th October 9:30 – 10:30am

Monday 17th October 9:30 – 10:30am

Wednesday 19th October 5:00 – 6:00pm

Wednesday 2nd November 2:00 – 3:00pm

Wednesday 9th November 2:00 – 3:00pm

Wednesday 16th November 5:00 – 6:00pm

New: Wednesday 23rd November 2:00 – 3:00pm



Rainbow Wraparound

Please contact us via

wraparound@gosforthpark.newcastle.sch.uk

or for any ad hoc bookings

Rainbow Wraparound: 07926 946 565.



If you don't already, please give us a follow on Twitter.

Our school account is @GosforthPark1st



Healthy School

For lunches, whether for at home or at school, it is always best to try to avoid providing pre-packed and processed food on a regular basis. Labelling on packaging can provide a degree of information on what's inside each product but the traffic light system and data is related to adult daily portions and guidelines rather than a child's.

Therefore, a child could be getting way above their recommended daily amount of salt, sugar and fat.

The NHS Better Health page has a variety of lunch recipes as well as several fantastic lunchbox tips. Find out more at:

<http://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes/>

Mrs Wells

The background of the poster is a dark teal color with white speckles, resembling a night sky. It is decorated with various festive illustrations: a yellow reindeer head with antlers, a snowman wearing a top hat, a red and white striped Christmas ornament, a blue star-shaped ornament, a blue robot, a red bird, a blue dinosaur, a pink gift box, and a blue robot. A large red circle with a dotted border is positioned in the upper right corner, containing the event title and a camera icon.

PTFA CHRISTMAS MOVIE NIGHT



CHRISTMAS MOVIE NIGHTS

3PM – 4.30PM

KS1 - Mon 5th Dec



KS2 - Tues 6th Dec

Reception - Wed 7th Dec

Tickets for this event are available to our children via Parent Pay for **£3.50** and this will include a drink and movie snack.

Festive dates for your diary, all in one place

Christmas Movie Nights

3pm - 4.30pm

5.12.22 - KS1

6.12.22 - KS2

7.12.22 - Reception

Tickets for this event are available via Parent Pay for £3.50 and this will include a drink and movie snack.



Children's Christmas Market
16.12.22

Christmas Dinner Day
21.12.22

PTFA CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER

Christmas Performance Dates

14.12.22

Nursery 9:30 – 10:00

19.12.22

Indigo 9:30 – 10:00

Violet 10:45 – 11:15

Blue 2:30 – 3:00

20.12.22

Reception Miss Coughlan 10:45 – 11:15

Reception Mrs McClurg 2:30 – 3:00

21.12.22

Green 9:30 – 10:00

Orange 10:45 – 11:15

Yellow 2:30 – 3:00

We have also organised a special festive visitor to school on 21.12.22
More details to follow via parentpay.

Emergency Christmas Eve Bags

Everything you need for family fun this Christmas Eve.



- Reindeer food
- Hot chocolate
- Christmas biscuit provided by 'Exclusively Biscuits'
- Create your own tree decoration
- Christmas activity



On sale via Parent Pay for £5 until 02.12.22 and available to collect before and after school from 20.12.22

Raffle tickets, tea and coffee will be available to purchase before each Christmas Show.

Thank you so much for your continued support.

Merry Christmas



EMERGENCY CHRISTMAS EVE BAG FOR SANTA AND HIS REINDEER



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Pay for £5.



Available to collect
before and after
school in the last week
of term (19th -22nd of
December).

Advanced Notice of Dates 2022-2023

Updates will be added in red

Monday 5 th December	KS1 Christmas Movie night 3:00 – 4:30
Tuesday 6 th December	KS2 Christmas Movie night 3:00 – 4:30
Wednesday 7 th December	Reception Christmas Movie night 3:00 – 4:30
Wednesday 14 th December	Nursery Christmas Assembly for Parents 9:30 – 10:00
Thursday 15 th December	Reception – Year 4 Dick Whittington at The Exchange Theatre
Friday 16 th December	Reception Christmas Fun morning 9:00 – 10:30 for parents
Friday 16 th December	Children's Christmas Craft Market from 3:00 - 3:30 in classes
Monday 19 th December	Indigo Christmas Assembly for Parents 9:30 – 10:00
Monday 19 th December	Violet Christmas Assembly for Parents 10:45 – 11:15
Monday 19 th December	Blue Christmas Assembly for Parents 2:30 – 3:00
Tuesday 20 th December	Reception Miss Coughlan Christmas Assembly for Parents 10:45 – 11:15
Tuesday 20 th December	Reception Mrs McClurg Christmas Assembly for Parents 2:30 – 3:00
Wednesday 21 st December	Special visitor for the children. Ho, Ho, Ho!
Wednesday 21 st December	School Christmas Lunch – if your child usually has a packed lunch and would like a Christmas Lunch, please book through Parent Pay by 18 th November.
Wednesday 21 st December	Green Christmas Assembly for Parents 9:30 – 10:00
Wednesday 21 st December	Orange Christmas Assembly for Parents 10:45 – 11:15
Wednesday 21 st December	Yellow Christmas Assembly for Parents 2:30 – 3:00
Friday 23 rd December	Training Day
Christmas Holiday	
Monday 9 th January	School reopens
Friday 17 th February	Last Day of Term
February Half Term	
Monday 27 th February	School reopens
Wednesday 22 nd – Friday 24 th March	Year 4 Robinwood
Friday 31 st March	Last Day of Term
Easter Holiday	
Monday 17 th April	School reopens
Monday 17 th April – Friday 28 th April	Year 4 Swimming – to be confirmed
Monday 1 st May	May Bank Holiday
Monday 8 th May	Bank Holiday
Thursday 25 th May	Last Day of Term
Friday 26 th May	Training Day
May Half Term	
Monday 5 th June	School reopens
Tuesday 27 th June	KS1 Sports Day – parents arrive from 2pm
Wednesday 28 th June	Reception Sports Day – parents arrive from 2pm
Thursday 29 th June	KS2 Sports Day – parents arrive from 2pm
Friday 21 st July	Last Day of Term