



Jarrow Cross Church of England Primary School

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(Thessalonians 5:11)

Newsletter 2: Friday 23rd January

It's been a busy two weeks since my last newsletter. Among other things, we've had a visit from Kate Osbourne MP who was grilled by the children about her career; Y2 have been to a cheerleading day and Reception pupils have taken part in some Robotic Engineering! They were joined by Mel from NUSTEM who has been working with the children on scientific investigations and careers since the start of the school year. They followed instructions and created codes using the Cubetto resources. The children all demonstrated the attributes of a robotic engineer by being collaborative, creative and resilient.

In the key stage two yard, we also have a new wooden storage area which has been an exciting new addition. This means we have a more sheltered space to keep lots of equipment for OPAL (outdoor Play and Learning).

On Wednesday, Year 5 (Miss Glen's class) led our first class worship to which parents were invited. We understand it's not always easy to attend events in school so thank you to everyone who could manage along. Between now and the summer holidays, every class will lead a separate worship.

Finally, if your child wishes to have milk this term, please make your payment of £13 on Parent Pay by the 9th of February.

Mr Taggart



Parent / Teacher Appointments

Telephone appointments for Miss Schofield's class will go live tonight. We will provide an update on other classes before half-term.

All other appointments will be face-to-face. These will be between 1.30pm and 6pm except for the extra sessions for Y3/4 on the 24th March which will be between 3.30pm and 4.30pm.

Tuesday 10th February

- Miss Schofield (**Telephone appointments**)

Monday 16th March (Face-to-face appointments)

- Reception
- Y1 Miss McGuire
- Y3/4 Miss McNally
- Y5 Miss Glen
- Y5 Mrs Wilson

Tuesday 17th March (Face-to-face appointments)

- Y1 Miss Elcoate
- Y2 Mrs Watson
- Y6 Mrs Watson
- Y6 Mrs Stavers

Monday 23rd March (Face-to-face appointments)

- Y3/4 Mrs Peacock
- Y3/4 Miss Fail

Tuesday 24th March (Face-to-face appointments)

- Extra sessions for Y3/4 only



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Healthy Eating and Drinking

At Jarrow Cross we want to emphasise consistent messages about a healthy diet, making sure that children have the energy they need to learn and play at school.

Please remember that drinking bottles should include only water or flavoured water.

For those children who have packed lunches, it is important that it reflects a healthy balance – **chocolate and sweets are not permitted.** Pasta, salads, wraps, sandwiches, fruit and vegetables are an excellent basis for a healthy lunch. More information about healthy eating can be found on our school website in the ‘Parents’ section.



Key Dates for Spring Term

- Monday 26th That History Bloke: Y2 Victorians
- Tuesday 27th Dental check for Reception and Year 1
- Tuesday 27th Y5/6 Cinema visit
- Wednesday 28th Vex Go competition Y5
- Wednesday 28th Groundworks Workshops
- Tuesday 3rd February Y5 Dogger Bank Windfarm Workshop
- Tuesday 3rd That History Bloke Y5 Ancient Greeks
- Friday 6th Y3/4 Science Wonderdome
- Tuesday 10th Y6 Netball competition
- Tuesday 10th Reception Stay and Play
- Thursday 19th and Friday 20th Y3/4 NUSTEM Sports Science
- Friday 20th FOJC Friday Social
- Tuesday 3rd March Y2 Gymnastics Team
- Thursday 5th World Book Day
- Friday 6th Y1 Cricket Festival
- Monday 9th Whole School Photo Day
- Thursday 12th Y1 South Shields Gallery
- Thursday 12th RE visit Y6
- Monday 16th Y2 South Shields Gallery
- Tuesday 17th Y3/4 South Shields Gallery
- Tuesday 17th Y5 Great North Museum
- Tuesday 24th Y6 South Shields Gallery
- Tuesday 24th Rocksteady Concert
- Wednesday 25th South Shields FC Assembly
- Thursday 26th Girls Football Round 3
- Friday 27th Y3/4 Hockey Festival



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Year 6 visit to Northumbria University

On Friday 16th we visited the Geography department at Northumbria University. We were excited as we could see all the cool equipment but it seemed to take a long time to reach the top of the stairs! There were lots of students around who looked busy.

Glaciology is the study of ice. In the workshop we learned about the different layers of ice that form a glacier. There was even blue ice that made it easier to see the different layers. We really enjoyed touching the ice and wearing the clothes that some scientists wore in Antarctica. During our visit we wrote poems that were printed on the NUSTEM website.

Simi and Evie



Courage

In Worship this week, we have explored the theme of courage. We talked about having courage when feeling uncertain whether that was doing things like swimming or trying something new. We learned that courage means taking that difficult step despite our fears. Why not speak to your child about situations that they might need to be courageous.



St. Maurice