



(Article 37)



No one is allowed to punish you in a cruel or harmful way.

Friday Letter



18th October 2024

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Dates for the diary:

Friday 25th October - Break up for half term

Monday 4th November - Return to school

School Lottery

To purchase tickets please follow the link below;

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/>

All money raised from tickets purchased will help to fundraise for our school. Tickets are £1 per ticket, per week and the more tickets purchased the higher the weekly prize is. There is a winner from our school every week!

Flu Vaccinations

A reminder, the school nursing team will be in school on Tuesday 22nd October to administer your child's flu vaccination. If you do not wish for your child to receive this, then you will need to opt out by following the link below:

<https://www.northumbriaimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

The school code is: **NB108357**

Christmas Cards

Each year, as a fundraiser for school, our children complete a Christmas design which can be printed onto cards, mugs, bags, gift wrap, tea towels etc through a company called Class Fundraising. Your child's artwork proof has been sent home with them this week, along with instructions on how to purchase items. The ordering process is entirely online and we cannot order for you. Firstly, visit approve.myfundraisinghub.com or scan the QR code to approve the artwork and confirm the name of your child. To complete the order, you will need the design code shown on the artwork. The deadline for orders is midday on **Monday 4th November 2024**, please ensure all orders are placed before this date as unfortunately late orders will not be accepted. Your orders will be delivered to school once they are ready, and sent home with your child. Class Fundraising highly recommend that you keep hold of the artwork sample until you have received all of your items and are happy with them as in the event of an error you will need to confirm the code for your child's artwork.

Spooky Disco

A reminder that, children are invited to come along to our Spooky Disco on Thursday 24th October. Children in Reception, year 1 and year 2 will attend straight after school until 4.40pm. Children should be collected from the Year 6 door at the back of the school by the ramp. Children in Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 can attend the KS2 disco from 4.50pm until 6.00pm. Children should enter via the steps in the infant yard and be collected from the KS2 door at the back of the school next to the ramp. Tickets cost £3.50 which includes a drink and a hotdog and can be purchased using the SchoolGateway app. There will also be a tuck shop available on the night and children can purchase crisps and sweets using cash. Please ensure younger children bring cash in a clearly labelled envelope.

Harvest Festival

As you are aware, on the morning of Thursday 24th October, children in year 1 and year 2 will take part in their Harvest Festival at Bill Quay Church starting at 9.30am. Parents/carers are welcome at the church from 9am. Due to the spooky disco being on the same day, could we please ask that any children wishing to dress up for the disco, bring their costume in to get changed into at lunchtime. Please ensure your child comes to school wearing their school uniform.

Witch and Wizard Day

Children in reception and KS1 are invited to come to school dressed as a Witch or Wizard on Friday 25th October.

Spooky Menu

On Thursday 24th October, the kitchen will offer a Halloween themed lunch. On this day the options will be;

- Mummies in Blankets (Sausage/Veggie Rolls)
- Zombies Eyeballs (Pommes Noisettes)
- Bubbling Witches Cauldron (Baked Beans)
- Swamp Grass (Salad)
- Ghastly Cookies

Remembrance

The school council will be selling poppies and a selection of remembrance gifts at break times commencing Monday 21st October. Remembrance gifts include wrist slapbands (£1), wristbands (£1), reflector poppy (50p) and paper poppies(50p).

Choir

A reminder that there will be no choir after school club on Friday 25th October.

Pupil Progress Meetings (Year 1-6)

Pupil progress meetings will be held after school on Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th November for pupils in years 1-6. We have a system which will allow you to book your appointment for the date and time that is convenient to you. Meetings will be held face to face. Appointments are now available to be booked using the link below; <https://billquayprimary.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Bryson's - Animal Shelter

The School Council are once again looking for donations of blankets, towels, cat food, dog food, cat litter and toys for Bryson's animal shelter in Gateshead. Any donations would be gratefully received and should be handed in at the school office. We would like to say a big thank you to Evie, our former pupil, who has raised £50 for Bryson's by doing a sponsored run in her spare time.

