

West End First School

Newsletter - 9th February 2015



Dear Parents,

Safer Internet Day

Tomorrow, Tuesday 10th February, is Safer Internet Day. The children have regular lessons in E-safety, but there will be an additional focus this week during assemblies and in lessons, including a special assembly by the Triple A Squad (our Year 4 Anti-bullying Ambassadors). We will be sending out a number of resources for parents during the week to support you in keeping your child safe on-line. There are also links on the school website to e-safety sites and information. Please talk to your child about e-safety this week.

Nortle 360

A number of parents have informed us that they are having difficulty logging on to Nortle 360 at home. If you are experiencing problems it may be due to your internet browser. If possible use Google Chrome to access Nortle 360 and this should solve the problem.

We won a trophy!

Congratulations to the Year 4 Gymnastics team who won the Blyth/Bedlington School sports partnership competition last week. As a result the school will now be represented at the Northumberland Games in the Summer Term. The team performed wonderfully and showed great sportsmanship. They represented the school extremely well and we are very proud of them.



Writing week requests

If you have not already done so, please could you send a stamped addressed envelope (addressed to your child) into school by **Wednesday 11th February** so that we can inform your child (and you) about the theme of our Writing week, which takes place in the first week after half term. We also need lots of newspapers (please make sure they are appropriate for children to see) for one of our activities during writing week. Please send in any old newspapers as soon as possible. Writing week is always one of the highlights of the year for the children and your support is very much appreciated.

Givingabit

If you shop online you can create free donations for West End First School.

We have registered with www.givingabit.com who are partnered with thousands of shops that will pay us a donation every time a purchase is made. It will not cost you a penny & it is free to sign up. In fact you could even save money as there are thousands of discount codes too!

You still buy directly from your favourite shops, including Amazon, Sainsbury's, John Lewis, Argos and many more – you just click through to them from givingabit.com.

How can they do this? It is entirely funded by the retailers that are on givingabit.com. They're happy to pay for a donation, as it is their way of thanking you for making a purchase from their online shop when you visit them from givingabit.com

On average, 3% of whatever you spend is given to us as a donation, but remember, this is at no extra cost to you. With so many shops, from everyday grocery shopping, home & car insurers, as well as mobile phone companies, holiday specialists & everything for the home & garden, there are so many opportunities to create free donations!

All you need to do is go to www.givingabit.com and sign up for free. Then, click on 'Find a Charity or Community' from your Quick links box, and choose **West End First School**.

Remember, it is the shops that pay for the donations – not you! Shop Happy!

Bedlington in Bloom

Please see the message below from Bedlington in Bloom.

*Bedlington in Bloom needs **YOU** !*

We need new volunteers to help us make Bedlington even better this year and every year !

Can you spare half-an-hour (or more if possible) at times to suit you ? We have all sorts of jobs which we need your help to fulfil – and many hands make light work !



We already have a great team and just take a look at our Facebook page to see what we managed to achieve last year. To become a part of Bedlington in Bloom just e-mail or telephone :
e-mail : bib@bedlington.co.uk
tel. : 07444344592

Term dates

Friday 13 th February	School closes for half term	3:20pm
Monday 23 rd February	School re-opens 8:55am (doors open from 8:45am)	
Friday 27 th March	School closes for Easter break	2:00pm
Tuesday 14 th April	School re-opens for Summer term 8:55am (doors open from 8:45am)	
Monday 4 th May	School closed for May Day Bank holiday	
Friday 22 nd May	School closes for half term	3:20pm
Monday 1 st June	School re-opens 8:55am (doors open from 8:45am)	
Friday 17 th July	School closes for Summer break	2:00pm

Golden Book Stars

These children have had their names in the Golden Book this half term for, among other things, their hard work, kindness, resilience, enthusiasm and fabulous behaviour. We are very proud of them all.

Reception

Charley Collier	Emily Simpson	Mya Patterson	Ritchie Peart	Jake Tosney
Joshua Lawson	Joseph Steel	Alex Taylor	Kayleigh Megraw	Harry Ellison
Ollie Baston	Fraser Brown	Freya Ratsey	Jamie Durham	Eleanor Kew
Bailey McGuigan	Keira Richardson	Molly Lamb	Riley Moran	Mark Manning
Alex Taylor				

Year 1

William Shepherd	Matthew Welch	Chloe Henderson	Alfie Todd	Abbey Sharp
Sophi Patterson	Ben Warwick	Annabelle Pattie	Angus Young	Lily Farrell-Knowles
Parker Moore	Gracie Stobbs	Dale Thirtle	Charlie Morgan	Daisey Pawlyn
Riley Monaghan	Ava Davison	Lewis Maddison	Grace Morgan	Jago Middleton
Rory Ballance				

Year 2

Sam Vernazza	Daniel Standring	Ethan Nichols	Brandon Steel	Amelia Fraser
Tegan-Mae Sword	Max Shephard	Kelsey Gleghorn	Summer Collier	Anya Kelly
Eva Smith	Zara Coultas	Joe Cowie	Daniel Macdonald	Gabe Levy
Evan Beattie	James Whyte	Grace Nicholas		

Year 3

Harry Johnston	Rhianna Stevenson	Conrad Honey	Kayla Lowe	Alfie Dodd
Jorjie Lillie	Frazer Stewart	Liam Henderson	Thomas Gray	Lula-Jay Walker
Sienna Masters	Chelsea Gray	Kacie Young	James Brown	Kieron Murphy
James Skimming	Elliot Burn	Lewis Shepherd	Ronnie Watson	

Year 4

Brooke Barnfather	Nathan Johnston	Dylan Page	Noah Leggatt	Hannah Stamp
Flyn Williamson	Hannah Masters	Erin Goodwin	Kai Ormston	Joseph Manning
Scarlett Spearman	Ella Webb	Noah Leggatt	Will Smith	Scarlett Atwell
Elliott Evans	Georgia Hogg	Katie Guy	Warren Pirie	Liberty Peart
Emily Brown	Tanya Brimelow	Josie Cochrane	Erin Buxton	Ben Ellis
Charlotte Standing	Jake Moran	Georgia Keogh		

Yours Sincerely,

Jane Bushell

Mrs J Bushell
Headteacher

