

West End First School

Newsletter - 16th June 2014



Dear Parents,

Possible Industrial Action Thursday July 10th 2014

We have been informed that the industrial action by members of the National Union of Teachers proposed for the week beginning 23rd June will not now take place. The union continues to negotiate with the Department of Education, however, in the event that negotiations are unsuccessful the NUT proposes to hold a day of industrial action on Thursday 10th July. This is the day which has been chosen by Unite, Unison, GMB and other unions as their proposed day of action, dependant on the results of a ballot of members. We will keep you informed of any developments and the impact they may have on the school. In the meantime please note the date as you may wish to make alternative arrangements. Please note that events arranged for the 10th have now been moved to an alternative date (see diary dates below).



First place!

Congratulations to members of the Year 3 and 4 Quad Kids athletics club. The top ten scores from the club were entered into the virtual competition for the best team in Blyth and Bedlington and West End were the winners. A team of ten has been chosen to represent the Blyth and Bedlington partnership of schools at the Northumberland Games on 26th June. Well done to all of those who took part and good luck to our team.

Scarecrow competition

Well done to Year 3 whose scarecrows won 6th place out of 30 in the competition at Glendale show last week. A big thank-you goes to all of the parents and carers (except perhaps one!) who helped the children to make such a good display of scarecrows.



PTFA Mediaeval Fun Day

A huge thank-you to the PTFA for providing such a great day for the children on their Mediaeval Fun Day. It was fantastic to have so many parents helping on the day and the children thoroughly enjoyed the magic show and ice creams. The PTFA raised approximately £275 on the day which will go towards providing additional treats and resources for the children. Don't forget, the Summer fair is just a few weeks away, so if you would like to get involved in any way I know the PTFA would be extremely grateful. Please ask how you can help at the school office.

Sharing learning afternoon

On Wednesday 2nd July we would like to invite you to come into your child's classroom so that he/she can show you their work. There will also be an opportunity to chat informally with your child's class teacher. Doors will be open from 2:30 and you will be able to take your child home afterwards. If you have more than one child in school please visit them separately before collecting them to take home.

Charity event

We have received a request from one of our Year 1 pupils, Lilly Burton-Payne, to help to raise funds for Percy Hedley School of Sport. The school caters for children with physical disabilities and Lilly plays wheelchair basketball there with her brother, who attends the school. Recently there has been a robbery at the school and specialist equipment has been stolen. Lilly would very much like to raise some money to help the school to replace some of the equipment and we thought the children would like to help. We are holding a non-uniform day on **Friday 27th June** to support Lilly's efforts. We know you will be keen to support this excellent local cause by making a donation on the day.

Diary dates

Once again there are new dates for your diary, written in bold. Please check the list in case there are new activities involving your child.

Tues 17 th June	Parent Craft afternoon Beech and Willow classes	
Wed 18th June	Reception Plessey Woods trip	
Thurs 19 th June	Apple Class assembly	9:00am
Thurs 19 th June	Year 4 trip to Beamish	
Thurs 19 th June	New Parents Meeting - Reception 2014	6:00pm
Fri 20 th June	Year 4 Orienteering competition	
Thurs 26th June	Quad Kids team participating in Northumberland Games	
Fri 27th June	Non-uniform day for Percy Hedley School	
Mon 30th June	Year 3 Playleader training	
Tues 1 st July	Year 3 Brass concert	
Tues 1 st July	Reception and Year 1 Parent and Child event	
Wed 2nd July	Sharing learning event – 2:30	

Thurs 3 rd July	Mini-band brass concert – (more information to follow)
Thurs 3 rd July	Annual reports sent home
Fri 4 th July	PTFA Summer Fair
Mon 7 th July	Year 4 Parent lunch (more information to follow)
Mon 7 th July	Sports Day at Meadowdale Middle School PM
Tues 8 th July	Bedlington Partnership of schools Transfer day
Tues 8th July	Apple Class Parent consultation meetings
Wed 9 th July	PTFA Year 4 disco
Wed 9th July	Apple Class Sports Day – please note change of date
Thurs 10th July	Possible industrial action
Fri 11th July	Year 2 trip to Concordia Leisure Centre
Mon 14 th July	Winning House treat
Wed 16th July	Year 4 production - 6:00pm – Bedlington Community centre
Thurs 17th July	Keyboard and guitar concert – please note change of date
Thurs 17 th July	Best of West End Awards
Thurs 17th July	Opening of Baltic Art display for Y4 Baltic art project pupils
Fri 18 th July	Break up for Summer holidays <u>2:00pm</u>

Golden Book stars

It's that time again. Congratulations to all of our Golden Book stars from Summer Term A.

Reception

James Beckwith	Robyn Jones	Oliver Taylor	Esme Kennedy	Grace Wade
Chloe Brown	Angus Young	Jared Angus	Aaron Bell	Alfie Todd
Annabelle Pattie	Matthew Welch	Chloe Anderson	Ben Warwick	

Year 1

Lucy Billham	Kelsey Gleghorn	Hollie Arries	Callum Serginson	Evan Beattie
Lexi Finnigan	Ellie Main	Sam Vernazza	James Whyte	James Morrison
Ava Davison	Ethan Nichols			

Year 2

Rhianna Stevenson	Emily Summers	Ben Gordon	Sophie Martin	Danny Martin
Airon Smith	Thomas Gray	Kacie Young		

Year 3

Oliver Goodwill	Lucy Coultas	Kaden Finnigan	Ethan McBride	Elias Gray
Luke Hammond	Will Smith	Shay Williamson	Emily Mitchell	Sydney Morgon
Charlie Clague	Erin Buxton			

Year 4

Daniel Martin	Lewis Orchard	Robbie Gill	Dougie Gray	Flynn Williamson
Luca Sassetti	Aaron Johnson	Aliyah Keefe	Ethan Honey	Oliver Welch
Lottie Glover-Stewart	Jack Livingstone	Michael Bariana	Tamarra Kerr	

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs J Bushell
Headteacher

