



North Mundham Primary School

The Heron Newsletter



Welcome to our weekly newsletter

Spring Term 4

28th January 2022



In this newsletter, find out about:

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[A message from Mrs Gordon](#)





Dear Parents and Carers,

In our assemblies at the beginning of this week we were thinking about setting ourselves goals and how to achieve them. I was able to share my big achievement of the week, which was making an origami lotus flower. This might not seem much - but they are very fiddly and I certainly had to persevere. Mine still weren't a patch on some of the year 3s but I was very pleased with my achievement! This term's value 'Believe' is so key to anyone wanting to achieve their goal and overcome the barriers that inevitably get in the way.

Our Promise Day on Thursday was a really fun way to break up the week. Nearly everyone took part in some way or other. I had some very enthusiastic headteachers who were a great help to me as I went about my daily routine. I think I need to watch out as they were definitely getting very comfy in my chair. There were also budding teachers in all the classes. Some of whom planned lessons and delivered them very confidently. Mrs Holden had a steady stream of helpers who were more than happy to carry out some of her jobs. Mr Burroughs had 6 children who made tablet stands under his instruction- they were delighted with the outcome and with their achievements. Thank-you to everyone who took part and the PTA for organising a fun day.

Today Year 1 have had a visit from John Gray a Londoner from 1666 the year of the Great Fire of London. The children were enthralled with his stories, costume and facts about the time. I was very impressed with everything that they had remembered and the work that they produced as a result.

Congratulations to the children who won the library competition this month - Darcey (Y5), Matthew (Y4), Florence (Y3), Issy (Y2), Amelie (Y1) and Sophie (YR). They have all chosen a book that they will receive next week. We had lots of entries so well done everyone!

Next week is the start of February and we are launching 'Physical February'. We did this last year with lots of different challenges for the children to complete at home and at school. A letter with more information is contained in the email with this newsletter. This year we are adding a

competitive element and the house with the most points will be awarded with the Physical February trophy. Our house captains will be counting points and encouraging their participants.

Some members of Year 5 have started their film project. They are working with a STEM specialist to make their own films that will be previewed at The New Park cinema in a few weeks. What a great opportunity!

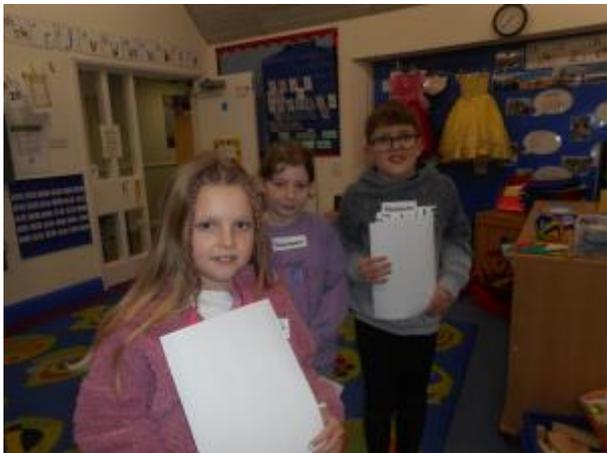
Have a lovely weekend

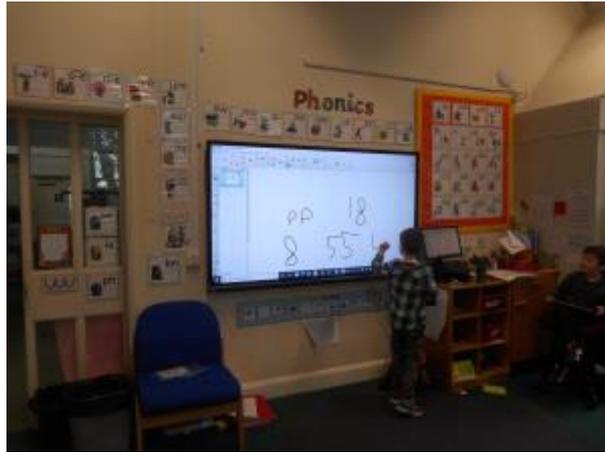
Zoe Gordon

Promise Day fun











The Great Fire of London experience day for Year 1







Year 2 aerial view maps







Reminders and Notices



Notices

INSET Days 2022/23

I have been asked about INSET days for the beginning of the next academic year for people who are planning holidays this summer. I can confirm that the first two days of the autumn term will be INSET days (**Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd September**) and that term will start on Monday 5th September for pupils. Further INSET days for the next academic year will be published in due course.

Clubs

Clubs have been allocated and start next week if they haven't already started.

Eco Day

As mentioned in last week's letter, next Friday is our Eco Day. Children can wear their own clothes with something green or made out of recycled fabric (as suggested by our school council - all Nike football shirts have been made of recycled plastic this year). We ask that they make a donation of £1 for this which will go towards the renovation of our outside classroom -The Den.

The School Council and staff have been thinking of ways that we can raise awareness of Eco issues and have come up with the following ideas-

A whole school litter collection

A recycling challenge competition make an animal out of recycling materials- School Council will judge the winners

Plastic free packed lunch challenge- if your child has a packed lunch, can you avoid single use plastic?

Can children walk, scoot or cycle all of the way to school or even just part of the way?

Parking

I have again been alerted to some parents parking dangerously in residential roads near the school. Please can I request that you park in the playing fields car park to avoid any accidents or injuries occurring.

Many thanks for your understanding on all of these matters



Dates for the diary



- 1st February- Little City visit for Year R and Year 2.
- 4th February- Eco day (more details to follow)
- 8-9 Feb- 5 ways to well being Years 5 and 6
- 9th February- Cross Country event - years 5 and 6
- 11th February- Hot Chocolate Sale
- 17th February- visit from Hedgehog Rescue
- 17th February- Dancehouse performance Y3/4
- 18th February- Half term Smarties challenge
- 3rd March- Book Day (details to follow)
- 10th March- Book/dance workshops (more details to follow)
- 25th March- Mothers' Day Sale
- 4th May- Young Voices O2 (rearranged date - letter to follow next week)

INSET Days 2021-2022

28th February 2022

27th May 2022

(All INSET days are either at the beginning or end of a school holiday, we ask that you take advantage of these for family holidays or long weekends and DO NOT book holidays in term time.)

INSET Days 2022-2023

1st and 2nd September

(Others to follow)

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