

# ***ETHERLEY LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER***

***Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2020***



## **Australian Bushfires and the Impact on the Wildlife Dress in Animal Print – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January**

Well done everyone, we managed to raise a fantastic £215.29 for the wildlife in Australia who have been affected by the bushfires. We will be donating £190.29 to the WWF Australia Bushfire Emergency Fund which will:

- Provide emergency fund to care for injured wildlife
- After the fires clear, help to restore homes for koalas and other wildlife, planting the first 10,000 trees urgently needed in koala habitats
- Support the response, recovery and restoration teams in any other way they can
- Help pressure governments to strengthen laws that prevent excessive tree clearing, before it's too late

We will also be donating £25 to become a koala protector. We will receive a koala protector certificate and over the coming months we will be sent an update on how our donation aided the response, recovery and restoration of koalas and their habitats. A massive thank you to everyone who donated.



## **Early Birds Breakfast Club**

A healthy breakfast is an important part of a healthy, balanced diet and at our Early Birds Breakfast Club we have a selection of fruit and healthy breakfast cereals for children to choose from. Can we please ask that children do not bring their own food and sugar with them to club, thank you for your support.

## **After School Clubs**

From week beginning Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January all of our 'After School Clubs' will be operating as normal, times are:

Monday – Drama Club with Miss Giblin, Miss Strophair and Mrs Hendry, 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Wednesday – Art Club with Mrs Graham and Mrs Jones, 3.15pm - 4.15pm

Thursday – Choir with Mrs Soulsby, 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Friday – Sports Club with Miss Navin, 3.15pm – 4.00pm

If your child is in Key Stage 1 or Key Stage 2 and would like to attend any of our After School Clubs please contact Mrs Walls in the school office to check availability. At the moment Drama Club and Art Club are both full with lengthy waiting lists but we do have limited spaces for Choir and Sports Club.

## **Year 6 Dance Club – Starting Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January**

Dance Club for year 6 children will be starting on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January from 3.15pm to 4.30pm. We thought that this would be a great way for the children to exercise, have fun and let off steam in the build up to their SATs. If your child would like to take part in the fun please send back the tear off slip on the letter which was sent out yesterday. Children will need to bring a change of clothes which will be suitable for dance and have their earrings removed, can we also ask that they do not wear cropped tops.

## **Year 1 Multi-Skills Festival at St John's – Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January**

On the morning of Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January all of year 1 will be attending a multi-skills festival at St John's school. Can children please come to school in their PE kit with either their school uniform or tracksuit over the top. Children will return to school by 12noon in time for their lunch.

## **Reading Books**

Please make sure your child brings their reading book into school every day. To ensure that your child is making the most progress possible, they should be regularly taking quizzes and maintaining an average of 85% accuracy. Thank you for your continued support.

## **Traffic around School**

Thank you for being considerate when driving and parking around school. For the health and safety of everyone and to ensure that we have no accidents can we please ask adults to drive/park responsibly around the school. Thank you.

## Children's Lunches

If your child is changing their lunch option from school meal to packed lunch or packed lunch to school meal, **even if they receive a free school meal**, can you please inform the school office giving 2 weeks' notice. Thank you.

## Packed Lunches

When preparing your child's packed lunch please be mindful to choose healthy options for them. Can we also please ask that children only bring cold food in their packed lunches. If you need any advice or guidance please contact Helen our Family Liaison Worker who will be happy to help.



## Star of the Week



Well done everyone and don't forget it could be you next week!!☺☺

Mrs Elder's Class 1	Hetta M	Mrs Coxon/Miss Navin's Class 7	Logan C
Mrs Jones' Class 2	Indianna A	Miss Wilkinson's Class 8	Reka B
Mrs Jeavons' Class 3	Bella B	Mr Holt's Class 9	Anya W
Mrs Wakes' Class 4	Casey F	Mrs Summerson's Class 10	Jack B
Miss Strophair's Class 5	Ethan P	Mr Soulsby's Class 11	Beth K
Miss Burkill's Class 6	Millie C		

## Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 1	Multi-Skills at St John's
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	Early Years and KS1	Celebrating Chinese New Year in school
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	KS2-selected team	Dodge Ball at Bishop Barrington after school
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	KS2-selected team	Dodge Ball at Bishop Barrington after school
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	KS2-selected team	Dodge Ball at Bishop Barrington after school
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> February, 9.45am-11.30am	KS2-selected team	Cross Country Festival at Bishop Auckland College
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Early Years	Visit to Hall Hill Farm

## School Holidays

Spring half-term 2020	Friday 14 February 2020	Monday 24 February 2020
Easter 2020	Friday 3 April 2020	Monday 20 April 2020
May Day 2020	Friday 8 May 2020	
Summer half-term 2020	Thursday 21 May 2020	Monday 1 June 2020
Summer 2020	Friday 17 July 2020	

**Mrs K A Lee**  
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