



Wolsingham Primary Newsletter

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Snacks

We have had a few queries recently about whether children are allowed to bring snacks for break time. Our Reception class already have a snack as part of their morning and our Key Stage 1 children already have an opportunity to have a free piece of fruit at break time through the free fruit scheme. At the moment we are not running our healthy tuck shop for Key Stage 2, however children are allowed to bring a snack to school with them. This should consist of plain biscuits or a piece of fruit. Please note that items such as chocolate bars, chocolate biscuits, crisps etc. should not be brought to school as snacks.

Reminders

We are very grateful to all of those parents who are working hard to follow the procedures which had to be put in place due to the pandemic. Once again we would like to take this opportunity to remind parents of the following:

- Parents and children should enter the site via the gate which is closest to the door the child needs to enter the building by. We request that **ONLY** those parents with children in both KS1 and KS2 walk around the building from one playground to the other.
- School bags should not be brought into school – a plastic carrier bag can be used if children find carrying reading books and water bottles difficult.
- Only one adult per family should come onto the site to drop children off or pick children up.
- ALL adults and children from different households **MUST** remain at least 2 metres apart during drop off and pick up times – there may be a need to enforce the wearing of face masks by any adult coming onto the school site if this is not adhered to by everyone.

We would also like to take this opportunity to ask our Key Stage 1 parents to wait on the playground well away from the gate to the field in order that other parents can easily access the entrance/exit to the site and remain socially distanced.

School Crossing Patrol

Please note that there will be no school crossing patrol on Uppertown on the afternoon of Monday 2nd November.

Photograph Competition Team Event

This half term the team event will be a photography competition – promoting well-being and encouraging the children to think positively at this time, as well as using some photography skills. The aim of the task is for each child to take photographs of the outside world relating to the words they are given. The children will need to take at least three images, one for each word and can use people or objects around them or go out into the community to capture images to represent their words.

EYFS – family, joy, love

KS1 – happiness, hope, calm

LKS2 – motivation, inspiration, relaxation

UKS2 – courage, ambition, peace

Once the children have taken their photographs, we would like them to upload them to Seesaw or they can be sent via email to wolsinghamprimary@durhamlearning.net

The photographs will be gathered together and judged with points awarded to the children's colour teams. The final submission date for photographs is **Friday 6th November**. A collection of the images submitted will be used to create a calendar using each of the words and some of the images for each of the months. Once printed, the calendar will be available to buy.

E-Safety note: Children will be reminded by teachers of e-safety rules during this competition, please reinforce these at home.

- Subjects of photos should have given permission to feature in the photo and for their image to be shared.
- The photo should be taken by the child and not taken from the internet as images may be subject to copyright / also known as plagiarism.
- Only appropriate images should be taken.



Harvest Assembly

We will not be holding our usual harvest assembly this year, instead each class will be recording a harvest song to share with you via our website and Facebook page. As at this time even more families are struggling, we would still like to collect items for the local foodbank. If you would like to donate any dried or tinned foods or toiletries, please send them into school with your child by Friday 23rd October.



Remembrance

Unfortunately, due to current restrictions, this year there will not be a public Remembrance Service at the cenotaph. As usual we will mark Armistice Day in school and our Year 6 class will take our wreath to lay at the cenotaph. Poppies will not be available to buy in school this year.

Bonfire Events

Durham County Council are working with County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service to urge members of the public not to host their own bonfire events, and to adhere to social distancing restrictions brought in by the Government to try and control the spread of Coronavirus.

School Benevolent Fund

A reminder to parents in this difficult time that Durham County Council has a School Benevolent Fund whose aim it is to provide financial assistance to families in need to purchase shoes and coats for school children. Please see the following link for more information: <http://www.durham.gov.uk/schoolbenevolentfund>

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Dates for your diary...

School Closes for Half Term	Friday 23 rd October
School re-opens	Monday 2 nd November
Deadline for photograph competition entries	Friday 6 th November