



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,
Our Rights Respecting thought for this newsletter is Article 14 - the Right to practise their religion.

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GOLD - RIGHTS RESPECTING

Harvest Celebrations - next week

A very different Harvest celebration this year, but we do still recognise that it is the time of year to be thankful for our food and to those who provide for us. Every class has been looking at a different country around the world and we are preparing a video presentation from across the school to be able to share with you on Thursday of next week.

During next week we would like to invite you to send into school some food/tins/packets for a harvest collection - just as we have always done. Each class will have a collection box at their door and all donations will be very gratefully received. Contributions won't be handled by anyone at school and we will donate all of the gifts to our local foodbank at St Luke's Church who I know will be very grateful to receive them. Thank you in anticipation of your support.



Staggered start and finish times

A reminder to everyone please that the staggered start and finish times are still a very important part of our Covid-secure measures. Staff try their best to ensure children are leave class at the stated times, but it is becoming very noticeable that parents are gathering both on the school premises and along the path outside much earlier than needed at home time. Please continue the positive start we made to the term and avoid gathering too early to collect children at home time. It is also important to avoid waiting in areas where your child or other children in class are able to see you - it distracts them from their lessons and can often upset children if they are unable to see their grown-up waiting for them. Thank you.

Flu vaccinations

Have you completed the vaccination form for your child yet? Please remember to complete it - whether or not you want them to receive the vaccine. The letter is coming out on the app again for you to link to.

Raring to go - Durham and Darlington edition

Please find below the link to the online edition of the information booklet on things to do in and around our local area.
<https://magazines.raring2go.co.uk/countydurhamanddarlington/autumn/>



Be Active Challenge Launch

Next week we will be launching a new 'active challenge' to try to encourage as much physical activity as possible - both at home and at school. Children will be encouraged to log

onto this website: <https://www.getset.co.uk/travel-tokyo/log-activity> to log any physical activity they do - they might need to search for our school first to be able to do this.

Make sure your child logs their activity linked to their class as we will be making this a bit of a competition. Children will log activities they complete in school and we would also like them to log physical activity at home.

Look out for more information about this next week from Mr Blood on the app and a specific half term active challenge!



Scouted Bushcraft

Days - half term

Thank you for responding through the app to register your interest for the Scouted days during half term. We can offer the activities to one KS1 bubble and 1 KS2 bubble each day to minimise any chance of spreading the virus. Year 1 and Year 2 children will be able to attend on Friday 30th October and Years 4 and 5 on Thursday 29th October. A consent form will be sent out for completion by parents prior to the end of next week. There are a small number of places still available if your child is in one of the year groups and would like to attend. Please telephone school to request a form.

Other year groups will be prioritised at the next opportunity.

Pumpkin Carving Competition
Hosted by Cleves Cross Learning Trust.

Open to individuals and families between the 19th and 31st October. Design and create your masterpieces then share them with us through the class email. The winners will be announced the week commencing 2nd November. Good luck!

1st, 2nd, & 3rd place will receive prizes!

The poster has an orange background. On the left side, there is a large, stylized black silhouette of a jack-o'-lantern with triangular eyes and a wide, jagged mouth. At the bottom of the poster, there is a horizontal row of smaller, similar jack-o'-lantern silhouettes. The text is in a black, slightly irregular font.