



Fellside Community Primary School

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Fellside Matters

Commitment, Confidence, Change, Creativity, Challenge, Collaboration, Curiosity.

Ambition for all.

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Mrs Green's Weekly Message:

Well, we certainly started this half term with a bang! We have had Nissan Workshops working across Key Stage One and Two, as part of careers week, and World Book Day across the whole school, too. It has been delightful to see our children getting stuck into their learning and enjoying all that we have to offer here at Fellside. I'd like to say a particular thank you to our PTA who volunteer their time and energy into supporting us. In amongst family and work commitments, you also manage to squeeze in moments to help, contact, share ideas and bring enthusiasm to our school. Thank you. And, thank you to all of our Fellside Community who support our PTA by joining in with the fun they provide! Together, we are ensuring that our school continues on its mission to be the very best.

As you know, Mr Gibson retired over the Easter break. He has written a letter to you, our community and we have pleasure in sharing it with this newsletter. I can confirm that he was, indeed, incredibly touched by everyone's kind thoughts. Moving forwards, Mr Renton will be joining us on Monday 17th March; he is looking forward to officially being part of the team, following a couple of days shadowing his predecessor before and during the Easter break. I know you will give him a warm Fellside welcome when you see him (and, don't worry, he has been told about the hats...!).

Mrs Green

Key Dates

Monday 10th March 8am and 3.30pm – Book Fair in the main hall

Monday 10th March 4.30pm – Year 1 Phonics Workshop

Tuesday 11th March 8am – Book Fair in the main hall

Friday 14th March – “The Mighty North East” Celebration Day

Tuesday 18th March – Year Six art lesson at Whickham School

Wednesday 19th March – Whole School Photographs

Friday 21st March – Y6 Hockey Team to Gateshead Finals

Please continue to check our website, which is updated regularly with key dates.

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Nursery

Our Nursery children enjoyed sharing “Farmyard Hullabaloo” by Giles Andreae. They created their own ‘Helicopter Stories’, where they spoke their very own stories out loud, while their friends acted them out. During early maths, Nursery matched numbers and amounts. They celebrated Shrove Tuesday by making and eating pancakes and thoroughly enjoyed World Book Day.

Creativity winner: Reeva C

Reception

Reception have shared “Mr Wolf’s Pancakes” this week, as part of Shrove Tuesday celebrations. Alongside this, they wrote their own shopping lists to make sure they had all the ingredients they needed to make pancakes... delicious! In early maths, children have focused on coin counting amounts – more and less than. They really loved World Book Day, sharing stories with friends!

Creativity winner: Kitty HB
ATTENDANCE CHAMPION: 100%

Year One

Year One have loved sharing “Kitty and the Midnight Rescue”. During their writing lessons, they have been focusing on using question marks and full stops, plus adding the suffix ‘ing’ to words. In maths, children have thought about place value while, in history, they have learnt about The Great Fire of Gateshead. During art, children have focused on line-drawing skills. They all loved World Book Day!

Creativity winner: Ayda H
ATTENDANCE TARGET: 95.3%

Year Two

Year Two have been reading “Mirror Mirror”, “Little Red Riding Hood” and “Honestly, Red Riding Hood is Rotten”. In writing, they have created reverse poems, inspired by Marilyn Singer, and performed their poems. During maths, children divided by 2, 5 and 10 alongside reasoning and problem solving. They had an introduction to Florence Nightingale in history while, in computing, children have learned about sequencing using Scratch Junior. In PSHE, children learnt about money – the forms it comes in and how we pay, alongside saving. Year Two performed forward rolls in gymnastics and enjoyed their Nissan car designs workshop, building the cars they designed.

Creativity winner: Nathaniel S

Year Three

Year Three continued their book “The Creakers” and, in their own writing, they typed up their final monster owners guide. In maths, children looked at related calculations, multiplying two digits numbers by one digit numbers while, in geography, they looked at the climate and population of Britain and Whickham. Year Three looked at different festivals celebrated by different faiths. They especially enjoyed Nissan coming in and working with them to designed and make their own cars with Lego.

Creativity winner: Arthur B

Year Four

Year Four enjoyed sharing “The Journey” by Aaron Becker. Within their own writing, they used direct speech with correct punctuation while, in maths, they looked at the addition of four digit numbers with exchanges. Children also found out about tectonic plates – where and what they are. In RE, children learnt about Ramadan, finding out why it is important to Muslims. At their Nissan workshop, they used Lego to design new cars and learn about what happens in a production line.

Creativity winner: Elodie E & Isabelle H

Year Five

Year Five have enjoyed sharing “The Viewer” by Gary Crew. During their own writing, they used hot seating to explore main characters. In maths, children thought of the definitions of prime and composite numbers through an understanding of factors while, in art, they created still drawings using one point perspectives. In French, children were introduced to the new topic ‘clothes’, learning various nouns. They enjoyed another basketball session with the Eagles coach and the Nissan workshop.

Creativity winner: Esme F

Year Six

Year Six have enjoyed “A Giant’s Necklace” by Michale Morpurgo while, in their own writing, they have explored the main character of the story. In maths, they have drawn pie charts and looked at coordinates (translation and reflection). In RE, children learnt about Moshka in Hinduism while, in PSHE, they thought about spending and saving money. During French, children learnt to describe places in a town.

Creativity winner: Archie Mc