

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:

Thank you to you all for your support in our new safeguarding protocol with our back gate. The shorter hours, with Mr Renton's supervision, are working well. Our new Protective Security Policy will be shared with Governors next week and shared with you all following that meeting. Our aim is to ensure that, here at Fellside, you can be confident that your children are safe at all times.

Please can we politely ask you to watch your children once they have been passed to you from their Class Teacher. We have seen and had several reports of children, particularly older boys, "play fighting" on the fields, which inevitably leads to friends falling out and children being hurt. As well as this, some children continue to play on our trim trail which is currently out of bounds until it is fixed by an external company.

Year One families will see a feature on their homework letter that their teachers are trying out. Rather than sending a letter out to families and asking them all to fill in a form to send back about an Easter activity which Year One will be taking part in, Mrs Greenwood has created a Google Form which is much, much simpler. Year One families are asked to simply click on the link and indicate if they are able to attend. We will be monitoring how well this new feature works with a view to rolling it out further across the school. Hopefully this will lessen paperwork for our team and also support families to pass information to us quicker.

Mrs Green

Key Dates

Tuesday 1st April – Y6 to Science Transition at Whickham School

Wednesday 2nd April – Nursery to Hall Hill Farm

Wednesday 2nd April – Reception to Kirkley Woods

Wednesday 2nd April – Y6 Hockey Team to Tyne and Wear Finals in North Shields

Thursday 3rd April – Y6 Boys Football Tournament at Fellside

Monday 7th to Thursday 10th April – Whole School Parent Meetings (bookable via your eSchools login from

9am on 21/3 until 4pm on 31/3)

Thursday 10th April – Deadline for returning photographs

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

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Nursery

Children in Nursery have shared "Dora's Eggs" by Julia Sykes – and looking at the life cycle of hens. In early maths, they looked at maths and they have also been very busy creating Mothers' Day cards.

Curiosity winner: Rosie B

Year One

Year One have shared "Kitty and the Rooftop Garden" and have written their own versions of "The Odd Egg". During maths, they have looked at position and direction while, in history, they have thought about the importance of remembering. During RE, children learnt more about Lent while, in computing, they used Scratch Junior to code.

Curiosity winner: Elliott H

Year Three

In Year Three, the class have reached the end of their journey with "The Creakers". They have also shared "Land of Roar". In their independent reading, children have concentrated on retrieval and inference looking at "The Secret of Black Rock".

During maths, they have learnt more about measuring and comparing mass while, in geography, they have been using an eight point compass to 'travel' from Newcastle. They practised their serving skills in badminton and investigated how water travels around a plant in science. Mrs Scott would like to share how proud she is of everyone completing their NFER papers — Well done!

Curiosity winners: William G

Year Five

Year Five have been incorporating relative clauses into their writing using the correct relative pronouns. During PSHE, they have explored a variety of professions to recognise how skills and attributes can be transferred when doing different roles. In French, children have learnt to say which type of clothing matches each weather type. The highlight of the week was definitely performing at The Glasshouse in front of a packed crowd as part of Gateshead Dance Festival!

Curiosity winners: Freya L

Reception

Reception class have shared "Dear Zoo", "Noah's Ark" and "10 Silver Coins"; then they each wrote a letter to the zoo asking for a specific animal and giving reasons why they wanted it! They enjoyed learning about length, using "longer, shorter, same" and measuring length using cubes. Children created a picture of Noah's Ark using paint and fill tools on the computer.

Curiosity winner: Asher A ATTENDANCE TARGET 85%

Year Two

In Year two, children have enjoyed sharing
"Fantastic Mr Fox" by Roald Dahl, alongside "Little
People Big Dreams: Mae Jemison. They have
continued to write sections of Mae Jamison's
autobiography in their own writing, too. During
maths, they have focused on money and Ms
Thornber has asked for children to practise using
coins, making amounts at home to help with this.
As part of their history topic, Year Two have learnt
about Florence Nightingale's achievement and
awards while, in Design technology, children have
learnt to complete an overstitch to use when
making puppets later this term. In PSHE, they have
thought about money and the things that they really
need, as opposed to want.

Curiosity winners: Meghan M
ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS 99.7%

Year Four

Year Four have continued to share and enjoy "Witches"; alongside this they have planned heir independent writing based around a setting descriptions. In maths, children have looked at multiplication and division while, in geography, they have learnt about volcanoes. During RE, they answered the question 'What Is Easter?'

Curiosity winners: Finley S

Year Six

Year Six have continued to enjoy "A Giant's Necklace" while, in their own writing, they have been publishing newspaper reports using the computers. During maths, they have focused on algebra, creating algebraic expressions. As part of geography, children have learnt about global trade – both positive and negatives of global trade. In computing, children have used Micro:bits to learn about programming while, in French, they have learnt to give and understand directions to places within a town. They very much enjoyed their Eagles basketball coaching this week.

Curiosity winners: James D