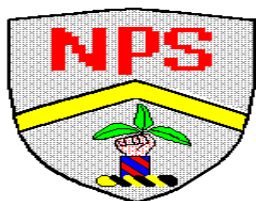


Autumn Term Newsletter



Welcome Back

Welcome back to another school year. If you are new to Nettleworth Primary School, then I would like to extend a warm welcome to you and your family and I hope that you soon settle into our community and that you will be very happy at our school. The summer holidays now seem part of a dim and distant past. We would like to thank you so much for the kind gifts, wishes and cards at the end of Summer Term. It was lovely to see the children as they returned to school this week, refreshed from their break. We are excited about the year ahead and we have lots of activities planned for the forthcoming term. Please check our website and newsletters regularly for updates. I was also overwhelmed by how smart the children look in their new school uniforms and I thank you as parents and carers for ensuring that your children wear their full school uniform with pride

Punctuality

It is great to see so many children arriving to school on time and being involved in their learning right from the beginning of the day. Class 1, 2 and Class 3 begin their phonics sessions at 8.45 am and Class 4 and Class 5 begin their challenge time activities at 8.45 am. We also have co-ordination programmes, reading/maths/speech and language

interventions and lego therapy running at that time. Being frequently late for school means lost learning: o Arriving 5 minutes late every day adds up to over 3 days lost each year. o Arriving 15 minutes late every day is the same as being absent for 2 weeks a year. o Arriving 30 minutes late every day is the same as being absent for 19 days a year. Lateness to School School starts at 8:45 am. Your child will receive a late mark if they arrive after this time. If your child arrives after the register closes at 9.15 am they will be given an unauthorised late mark. Persistent Unauthorised late marks will result in a referral to the Local Authority School Improvement Officer for further intervention and enforcement action may be taken. Please can you ensure children arrive at school for 8.45am. Thank you so much to parents/carers for your continued support.

Year 6 Prom

Our Year 6 pupils had a fantastic time celebrating at their prom. The evening was filled with fun, laughter and happy memories as they enjoyed candy floss, danced with their friends, played games and tucked into McDonald's. It was a wonderful way to celebrate the end of their primary school journey and mark this special milestone together. We hope they have had an amazing first day/s in their new secondary school and send them our love.



Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Thank you to all the parents and carers who joined us for our Year 6 Leavers' Assembly. Your support, encouragement and involvement throughout your children's journey at primary school have meant so much. It was wonderful to celebrate their achievements together and to mark this special milestone as they prepare for the next chapter of their education. We wish all our Year 6 pupils every success and happiness for the future.



Diary Dates

Further letters/details follow about each event

Thursday 10th September-
Swimming Lessons begin for Class 4

W/B Monday 14th September-
After School Clubs begin

Thursday 17th September-
Read Write Inc Parents meeting 4pm

Friday 18th September- Jeans for Genes Day

W/B Monday 21st September-
Fairtrade Fortnight begins

Tuesday 22nd September-
Class 2 Trip to Discovery Museum

Friday 25th September-
Macmillan Coffee Morning 10am

Tuesday 29th September-
Individual/Sibling School Photographs

Friday 9th October- Mental Health Day

Thursday 22nd October-
Halloween Disco

Friday 23rd October- Harvest Festival

End of Half Term

Monday 2nd November-
Children return to school

Texts/Mail

We regularly send texts/mail to parents with details of events happening in school or just reminders. Please notify school if you haven't received any texts/mail in the last month. Your contact details may need updating.

School Website

Please continue to look at our school website on

www.nettlesworth.durham.sch.uk for diary dates, latest news, celebrations, advice and information.

Absences

If your child is unwell, please contact school office as soon as possible by 9am. It is important that children attend school as often as possible because if they are not in school they cannot learn