



Newsletter

Friday 21st November

Helping your child to read at home.

We know that, when children read at home with their parents, their confidence and ability in reading increases. Sometimes parents find it hard to know how to support their children with reading at home. This week we have sent home special reading target cards with the children's home reader. Each child will have a card which matches their colour book band. On the card, parents will find information about what their child is working on as well as helpful ideas and suggestions about how you can help your child. Any cards that are not returned will not be replaced with another, so please look after them. Your child will keep the same colour card until they have achieved all of their targets in school assessments and move onto another colour or level.

Reception

Reception thoroughly enjoyed their visit to the fire station. The children even got to use the fire hose.

Year 1

Year 1 have continued to learn new sounds in preparation for the Year 1 phonics test at the end of the year. Please find attached a table to show the sounds your child currently knows, and the sounds which they will be learning next.

Year 2

We've had a busy week making bread and pizzas in Class Two, in order to learn about instructions. What instructions can you find at home?

Year 3

Class 3 were very pleased to start swimming again and enjoyed our afternoon at St. John's. We have also been practising our watercolour skills.

Year 4

We have worked really hard this week learning about fractions. Everybody feels they are improving with this tricky subject in maths.

Year 5

This week, we have worked hard learning the features of a play, writing our own scripts and performing our work. The Durham Cathedral trip is next Tuesday.

Year 6

As the year 6 children mature, they may notice various body changes occurring. To help promote personal hygiene, we would like to allow them to bring a roll on deodorant to school and keep in their P.E bags. *Aerosols may not be used and will be confiscated if brought into school!*

Golden Time

We have arranged a new Golden Time activity starting this week for computer games. We currently have a PlayStation 2 and Wii set up for children to access during Golden Time. If you have any unwanted Wii or Play Station 1 or 2 games that are suitable for school, we would gratefully accept your donations.