

# North Park Primary School



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## MARCH NEWSLETTER

### What's been happening?

Year 3 and 4 pupils have attended a Multi-skills festival and really enjoyed themselves

- Durham Police have been into school to talk to the children about safe internet usage; I would repeat the message from the last newsletter to urge parents to **please make sure that you know who your child is communicating with online and what kind of material they are sending and/or receiving.**
- Year 4 pupils presented a wonderful assembly all about Food, Glorious Food!
- Our Family Group winners Hedgehogs had a fun time at Bamboozles – well done for all their hard work.
- All of the children performed their wonderful poems in a Poetry Assembly – lots of hard work was done reading and writing poetry that week.
- Parent meetings were held last week – if you were unable to make or keep an appointment please contact your child's class teacher to make an alternative appointment if you would like to discuss your child's work and progress.

### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March - Comic Relief and Fair Trade coffee afternoon

- Children will be able to come into school dressed up/dressed in their own clothes for comic relief – please donate £1 to the appeal and all proceeds will be sent to the charity.
- We will be having a fair trade tuck-shop on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March and Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March – children will be able to buy snacks at break time.
- In addition we will be holding a Fair Trade Coffee Afternoon on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March for children in Years 1 to 6. This will start at 2pm – come along and enjoy a coffee/tea and some refreshments in the hall with your child. All donations will be donated to Fair Trade.

### Friends of the School

Our dedicated friends are planning lots of fun activities and events – anyone who would like to offer support is always welcome – the next meeting is on 17<sup>th</sup> April and we will be discussing our plans to support the Spennymoor Carnival this year.

- **Friends of the School Easter Egg Competition** – FOS will be giving out prizes to each class – please decorate eggs at home and send them into school on the morning of Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March – they will be judged that afternoon and prizes will be given out the following day.
- **Easter Egg Raffle** – FOS will be selling raffle tickets for an Easter Egg draw on the morning of Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March – 10p per raffle ticket.

### Dr Barnardo Sponsored event

We are supporting Dr Barnardo's charity this year by asking children to look after an egg for a week and to collect donations from family. The information and sponsor forms will be sent out to parents next week.

Children will be asked to design a face and collect sponsors, then bring their designs with a hard-boiled egg into school on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March**, along with their design. They will then be able to draw the design on to the egg, and will be asked to look after it at all times, bringing it to and from school each day (where it might have a nap in their tray!).

We hope families will support the charity by sponsoring them. Sponsor money will need to be returned to school no later than Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March – all children who return their forms and money will be entered into a prize draw for a very special Teddy!

Mrs Monk  
4.3.15



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## Diary Dates

### March

- 6 Reception Health Screening
- 6 Youth Forum Meeting
- 11 Year 5 visit to Bede's World
- 12 Fair Trade Tuckshop
- 13 Year 6 to work with Adam Bushnell – Author
- 13 Comic Relief
- 13 Fair Trade Coffee Afternoon – 2pm
- 13 EYFS Mother's Day Coffee morning
- 16 Dr Barnardo's sponsored event – look after an egg
- 16 Year 1 Drum show – 2.15pm – Year 1 parents welcome
- 17 Father John Assembly
- 18 Year 2 Family Assembly – 10.10am
- 18 Year 6 visit to Whitworth Park School
- 19 Zoolab for Key Stage 1 classes
- 20 Science Boffins – KS2 show and workshops
- 24 Year 3 Family Assembly – 10.10am
- 24 Year 5 visit to Methodist Church – Easter Journey
- 25 Dance Festival
- 25 Friends of the School Easter Egg Competition
- 26 Friends of the School Easter Egg Raffle
- 27 Easter Service – St Andrew's Church – 2pm

**27 School closes for Easter break**

### April

- 13 School re-opens**
- 14 Year 6 Parents Meeting - SATs
- 16 Family Learning – Foundation of Light – school assembly
- 17 Friends of the School Meeting – 2pm
- 22 EYFS visit to Hall Hill Farm
- 23 Family Learning begins – ten week course

### May

- 4 School closed for May Day
- 7 Year 1 and 2 Multiskills Festival
- 11-15 May** - KS2 SAT week

### June

- 15-19 June** - Year 1 Phonics screening week
- 25 Year 5 Theatre Visit – the Groovy Greeks
- 26-28 Robinwood residential visit
- 29 Childline Assembly

### July

- 3 Sport's morning – EYFS
- 3 Sport's Afternoon – KS1 and 2
- 6 Childline workshops – Year 5 and 6
- 10 Year 6 Fun afternoon
- 14 Year 6 Leaver's Show – 1.50pm
- 16 School closes for Summer holiday

