



Otterburn First School



News Bulletin

Date: 22nd September 2017

New Starters photographs

The Hexham Courant photographer will be attending school on Wednesday 27th September to take a photograph of the new starters at the school, for publication in the Courant in October.

We have signed consent forms for all of the children, but please let the school office know if you don't want your child to be photographed.

Attendance (Week 2)

Reception: 100%

Year 1: 82%

Year 2: 100%

Year 3: 100%

Year 4: 100%

Please make every effort to ensure that your child is in school every day and not missing valuable learning time.



This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all children, and expects our staff, visitors, volunteers and parents to share this commitment.

Please can we therefore take this opportunity to remind parents of the following:

Gates: Please ensure that you close gates and fasten the bolts when coming in and out of the school grounds.

Entering the building: Parents are not permitted to enter the school building through the playground. Please can you encourage your child to take their own coats and bags etc to cloakrooms independently. If you would like to speak to a member of staff please arrange this through the school office at the front entrance.

Start of the school day: Please can we remind parents that a member of staff is on duty in the playground from 8:45 am. Children are not permitted to be unsupervised by their responsible guardian until this point.

Home time: To ensure that your child returns home safely it is essential that we have clear instructions on whether they are to be collected and by whom or if they are to go home on the school transport. Please ensure that if your daily regular arrangements change that the office is notified by email (before lunch), by telephone or by sending your child in with a note. We are unable to accept a child's word that the arrangements change as unfortunately they are sometimes confused or forget!

Thank you for helping ensure that your children are safe.

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PTA Christmas Craft Fayre

To be held on the morning of Saturday 25th November at 10.30am. The PTA are organising a Christmas Craft Fayre to raise money for the school. If anyone would like to have a craft or selling table, please contact Anna Smy on 07712 825409.

All those great baking people out there – if you could bake something for the cake stall that would be amazing and those who do not (like Anna) please could you provide a raffle prize to be given to Anna or the school. Thank you.

If anyone could help with teas and coffee and the cake stall on the day, please let Anna Smy or Joanna Macneil know.

Thank you from the PTA.

Swimming

Three parent volunteers are **urgently** required for the swimming trip on the morning of **Tuesday 26th September**. If you're able to help, please contact the school office by lunchtime on Monday.

We will also need volunteers on the following dates:

- 3rd October (2)
- 17th October (3)
- 7th November (3)
- 14th November (3)
- 28th November (3)
- 5th December (1)
- 12th December (1)
- 19th December (2)

Igloo building



We're hoping to make one of these! It's an igloo made from plastic milk cartons. We will need to collect as many 4-pint cartons as possible with their lids on (it makes them stronger). The cartons need to be washed and have the labels removed, and can be dropped off at the school office.

Jeans for Genes Day

We will be taking part in 'Jeans for Genes Day' on Friday 29th September to raise money for children affected by a genetic disorder in the UK. For a £1 donation, children can come to school in jeans for the day. Details of the charity can be found at:

www.jeansforgenesday.org

Rochester Show - Saturday 30th September

Rochester Show Potatoes need to be at school on Thursday. Bring the buckets with the potatoes still in the soil - but with the leaves cut off. If anyone needs them picked up, could they text Jill on 07761 735887. Remember the children all have paintings entered in the Show, so go along and see them on display!

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UPPIER REDSDALE SHOW

LIVE MUSIC 5PM
ONWARDS



Catering by
Kielder
Organic Meats

8.30am — Sheep Dog Trial Starts
11am — Judging of Industrial Tent
1pm — Judging of Dogs
2pm — Quoits
2.30pm — Children's Sports
3.00pm — Presentation of Cups
3.30pm — Cumberland Wrestling
4.30pm — Auction of Produce
5pm — Live Music
'We Steal Flyers'

CHILDREN'S
SPORTS

Cumberland & Westmorland

Wrestling

Under 10s Mixed	1st : £20, 2nd : £10, 3rd : £5
Under 13s Boys	1st : £20, 2nd : £10, 3rd : £5
Under 16s Boys	1st : £30, 2nd : £15, 3rd : £10
Under 16s Girls	1st : £30, 2nd : £15, 3rd : £10
Men 13 St & Under	1st : £50, 2nd : £30, 3rd : £10
Men All Weight	1st : £50, 2nd : £30, 3rd : £10
Women All Weight	1st : £50, 2nd : £30, 3rd : £10

Register by 3pm

RAFFLE

Saturday 30th September,
High Rochester



Stalls selling
Local Produce