



The Times Newsletter

'where many hearts make a school'

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WHAT'S ON:

**** THIS WEEKS AWARDS ****

MATHS

NURSERY - *Alyssa*
RECEPTION - *Joey*
CLASS 1 - *Joseph R*
CLASS 2 - *Amber*
CLASS 3 - *Zach T*

ENGLISH

NURSERY - *Sonny*
RECEPTION - *Jessie*
CLASS 1 - *Thomas F*
CLASS 2 - *Rook*
CLASS 3 - *Jessica*



LITTLE NURSERY



STAR OF THE WEEK
awarded to:

**Lincoln, for settling in so well
and for demonstrating some
excellent kicking skills!**

Well done!



~ STARS OF THE WEEK ~



NURSERY - *Georgina-May, for being really helpful in the classroom and for keeping it tidy. Well done!*

RECEPTION - *Annabelle, for showing great, independent skills and for following instructions. Well done!*

CLASS 1 - *Alvinamarie, for always being kind and polite. Well done!*

CLASS 2 - *Abigail, for her super cricket skills in our lesson with 'All Stars Cricket' Darren. Well done!*

CLASS 3 - *Leo, for having a positive attitude in the classroom. Well done!*

~ ATTENDANCE - THIS WEEK ~

Reception	97.3%
Class 1	92.6%
Class 2	95.9%
Class 3	94.9%

WELL DONE RECEPTION CLASS

Our school target for attendance is 96.6% and we ask parents to support us by ensuring your child is in school, because if they're in school they're learning.

This week's attendance is: 95.2%

INFORMATION:

TODDLER GROUPS

'Dawn till Dusk Toddler Group' will be resuming on Thursdays, starting 23rd September.

This weekly group will take place in the school hall from 9.30 - 11am and will cost £1 per child.

Tea and coffee will be available, with a snack for the children.

A lovely, relaxing and informal atmosphere, with a great way to introduce children to our school environment.

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

Coffee Afternoon & School Open Afternoon - Friday 8th October 1.15pm

We are excited to be hosting a MacMillan Coffee Afternoon, on Friday 8th October from 1.15pm until 2.45pm, in aid of MacMillan Cancer Support. As well as being able to enjoy refreshments, delicious cakes and a catch up with friends, there will be a tombola, raffle and a cake and toy stall. Donations for the tombola, raffle and toy stall would be greatly appreciated.

Donations of cakes (on the day) would be most welcome.

School Open Afternoon for Prospective Parents

During the MacMillan coffee afternoon, parents will have the opportunity to attend an open afternoon in school. The afternoon has been arranged for parents whose children are starting school in September 2022 or may be thinking of joining us from elsewhere.

'In the interests of safeguarding, parents will be accompanied by the member of staff and shown around the school (at set times throughout the afternoon) and will have the opportunity to meet the Headteacher and members of staff'

FOOTBALL COACHING

After-school football coaching will be starting, initially for Key Stage 2, from Monday 27th September. Letters are being sent home tonight for parents/carers to complete - please return the tear-off slip to the school office by Wednesday 22nd September.

Please note that places are limited to 20 and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.



P.E. DAYS - Autumn Term 1

Monday	Class 2 (Yrs 3/4)
Tuesday	Nursery Class 1 (Yrs 1/2)
Wednesday	Reception (Yrs 5/6 swimming)
Thursday	Class 2 (Yrs 3/4) Class 3 (Yrs 5/6)

PLASTIC RECYCLING

On Tuesday morning, Ali Collinson and Suzanne Patterson, from the Co-op store in Middleton-in-Teesdale, called into our school to talk to some of the children about the Co-ops new plastic recycling bin. With the help of a display they had created, they showed the children just how much soft plastic can be recycled and where to take it. Our children all showed a good knowledge about recycling and how it helps our planet, and they were able to come up with some great ideas of their own.

Ali and Suzanne have challenged the children to fill a bag of soft plastic and take it into the store to be placed in the recycling bin.



DURHAM
CATHEDRAL
THE SHRINE OF ST CUTHBERT

Chorister Experience

Saturday 2 October

12.30 p.m. - 6.15 p.m.

A wonderful opportunity for girls and boys in Years 2 to 6 to have a first-hand experience of being a Chorister.

The children will enjoy meeting the current Cathedral Choristers, hearing them sing, and making music together. They will also have the opportunity to have a tour of the Cathedral, play the organ, and do a craft activity together.

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Schedule for the day:

- 12.30 p.m. Registration at The Chorister School, Durham, DH1 3EL
- 12.50 p.m. Welcome
- 1.10 p.m. Choir Practice
- 2.00 p.m. Craft activity, tour of the Cathedral and organ playing activity
- 3.30 p.m. Break with a snack provided
- 4.15 p.m. Choir Practice in the Cathedral
- 5.30 p.m. Evensong

A separate schedule for parents/guardians will run alongside this.

The day is free of charge and all children in Years 2 to 6 and their parents/guardians are welcome. No previous experience is necessary, just a love of singing and plenty of enthusiasm! Children are asked to wear their school uniform please.

For more information or a booking form, please contact Rebecca Dodd by email on music@durhamcathedral.co.uk or by phone on 0191 374 4066.