



4th February 2022

Dates at a Glance

8th February – Safer Internet Day

11th February – PTA Second Hand Uniform Sale

Clubs:

Karate – Mondays
3.10 – 4.10 – open to children from Y1-Y4

Reception Art Club – Tuesdays 3.10 -4.10

Y1 Craft Club – Tuesdays 3.10-4.10

Y3 Bat & Ball Skills Club – Wednesday 3.10 – 4.10

Weekly Events

Monday – Guitar Lessons with Mr Newbrook

Wednesday – PE with Newcastle United Foundation

Thursday – Keyboard Lessons with Mrs Shevlin

Chinese New Year

Gung Hei Fat Choi, everyone! Chinese New Year celebrations have been well under way this week. Thank you to Mrs. Weatherspoon who introduced us to the year of the tiger and explained how the Zodiac animals came to be. Children enjoyed making lucky red envelopes and Year One's dragon parade was enjoyed throughout school.



Mental Health Awareness Week

Next week is Children's Mental Health Awareness Week – this year's theme is Growing Together.

We will be exploring this in our Collective Worship and have some daily activities planned for children to enjoy in class.

Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 8th February is Safer Internet Day for schools and youth organisations across the UK. We are committed to teaching our children about how to keep themselves safe online and with this in mind we will be circulating Acceptable Use Agreements to all the children and asking them to take the agreement home to read with their parent/carer. We then ask that this is signed and returned to school.

Open the Book

We look forward to welcoming back our friends from 'Open the Book' who will be in school on Tuesday to share with us more Bible stories through costume and drama.

PQSM

We are now half way through our year of working towards the Primary Science Quality Mark (PSQM). This is a national award that enables primary schools across the UK to evaluate, strengthen and celebrate their science provision. PSQM helps the whole school focus on developing highly effective, confident science leadership which impacts positively on science teaching and learning across school. We are already seeing an impact in class where pupils are better able to build and consolidate their knowledge and skills, as well as develop positive attitudes about science and its value to their lives and globally. Associate Professor Jane Turner, PSQM National Director said: "There was never a more important time for primary children to have a high-quality science education. The Coronavirus Pandemic has made everyone aware of the impact of science on our daily lives. Primary schools have an important role to ensure that children understand how science works and keeps us healthy and safe."

We have already enjoyed STEM enrichment in years 3 and 4 through a CSI event. In addition, all classes will be taking part in workshops with Kielder Observatory next month. We are also in the process of setting up a dedicated Science page on our website with further updates and events.

Miss Moore



PTA Second-Hand Uniform Sale

The PTA will be setting up a Second-Hand Uniform sale in the KS2 playground at 2.45pm next Friday afternoon. All items are of very good quality.