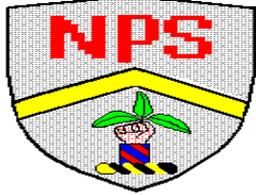


Autumn Term Newsletter



Class 2's letter to MP Kevan Jones

Letter to Kevan Jones, MP

In Geography this half term we have learnt all about our local area. We talked about what we like and dislike about Nettleworth. We noticed that one of the things that we don't like is the smelly dog poo! So we decided to try and do something about it. We have written a letter to our MP, Kevan Jones, in the hope he can help us solve this smelly problem!

UNCRC Article 12 – right to a say in all matters affecting them

Letter to KJ

Rights Respecting Gold Re-accreditation 2021

We are delighted to inform you that we have successfully received re-accreditation of Rights Respecting Gold Award. Please see below message from assessors and report.

Nettleworth Primary School RRSA GOLD 16Nov21

Thank you so much for hosting our visit to Nettleworth last month. Jilly and I had a wonderful time hearing from you, children and staff about the fantastic rights work you are doing in school and the positive impact that learning about rights is having on outcomes for your children.

I am very delighted to confirm that the Accreditation and Standards Committee agree that sufficient evidence was provided

in our report to reaccredit Nettleworth Primary as a Unicef UK Gold: Rights Respecting School.

Please pass on our congratulations to your pupils, colleagues, governors and parents for their contribution and commitment to RRSA and for your collective achievement in reaching the highest stage of Unicef UK's Rights Respecting Schools Award, Gold: Rights Respecting. I hope you have a wonderful time celebrating your success.

Punctuality

It is great to see so many children arriving to school on time and being involved in their learning right from the beginning of the day. Class 1, Class 2 and Class 3 begin their phonics sessions at 8.45 am and Class 4 and

Class 5 begin their challenge time activities at 8.45 am.

We also have co-ordination programmes, reading/maths/speech and language interventions and lexia.

Hola Mexico

Cornerstones Curriculum – Class 5

Design Technology – Food

UNCRC Article 29 (goals of education)

What a fabulous way to share our Cornerstones topic with the rest of the school. The children of Class 5 worked with our school cook to design a menu based on Mexico and created the perfect meal for all children and staff. Well done to everyone involved and we all hope today has inspired you to try new foods at home.

A Rights Respecting Gold day for all our wonderful children.



Holidays in Term Time

Our school attendance last year increased to 97.13%. Our school attendance target is 96%. This target is National Average and therefore now slightly above. Thankyou so much for you support. Ofsted evaluate school attendance and a low attendance can affect school's Ofsted judgements. We continue to see a large increase in requests for holidays in term time. Just to remind parents and carers that as of 1st September 2013, Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances. Absence during term time should be avoided because children can fall behind with their work and may find it difficult to integrate. An application using the leave of absence form (available from the school office) for leave must be made in writing to the Head Teacher, detailing the exceptional circumstances. The Head Teacher must be satisfied the circumstances warrant the granting of leave. If you do not apply for leave in advance, the absence will be recorded as unauthorised. You can be fined for taking your child on holiday during term time without consent from the school.

Texts/Mail

We regularly send texts/mail to parents with details of events happening in school or just reminders. Please notify school if you haven't received any

texts/mail in the last month. Your contact details may need updating.

School Website

Please continue to look at our school website on www.nettlesworth.durham.sch.uk for diary dates, latest news, celebrations, advice and information.

Diary Dates

For Second Half Term:

Tue 7th Dec- Class 4/5 Christmas Performance

Thur 9th Dec- Class 1/2/3 Christmas Performance

Fri 10th Dec- Christmas Fair

Tue 14th Dec- Christingle Service

Wed 15th Dec- Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day

Thur 16th Dec- Christmas Party

Fri 17th Dec- End of Term

Tue 4th Jan- Teacher INSET Day

Wed 5th Jan- Children return to school

Further letters will follow about different events.

Absences

If your child is unwell, please contact school office as soon as possible by 9am. It is important that children attend school as often as possible because if they are not in school they cannot learn

PE Kit

Please could children remember to bring PE kit on a Monday and leave it at school until Friday. Each class has certain days on the timetable but we constantly have coaches and sporting experiences for the children so days can change. We are a Sainsbury's Games Platinum Mark School and now have the AFPE (Association for Physical Education) award which is given to schools who promote and maintain high standards and safe practice in all aspects of PE. Many Thanks.

Nettlesworth Primary's Christmas Raffle - 10.12.21

What fabulous raffle prizes have been made with the generous donations from our wonderful children and families; have a look

at those hampers

The raffle will be drawn this afternoon during the Christmas Fair: please don't forget to check your tickets as you maybe the lucky winner. Good luck everyone.



Christmas Fair

Everyone had a lovely time at the Christmas Fair. There were cake stalls, games, toys and of course the team colour raffle!

Thank you to Nettlesworth School Community Group for organising this fantastic afternoon.





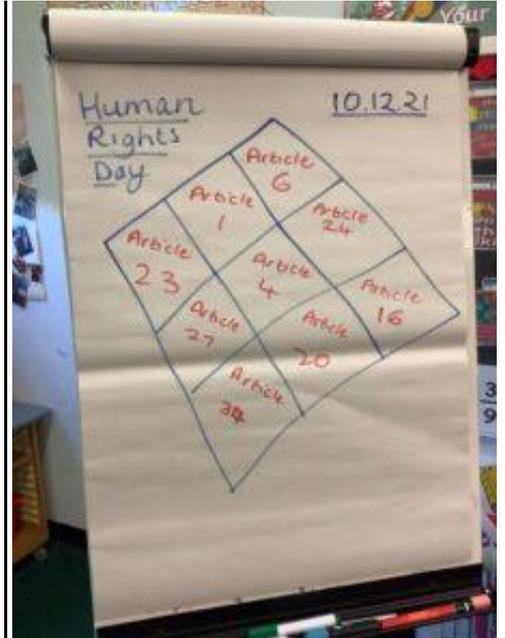
Class 3 Christmas Fun!

We had lots of fun today doing some Christmas activities and buying and winning lots of lovely prizes at the Christmas fayre!



Human Rights Day in Class 4

We made a diamond order of importance for the UNCRC Articles we felt were the most important on this special day.



Soil investigation in Class 4

UNCRC Article 31 – Every child has a right to join in with a range of activities



In science we compared three different soils and shook them in jars full of water to compare how the different layers settled to see what soil contains. We found out that sand collected on the bottom and clay particles floated on the top.