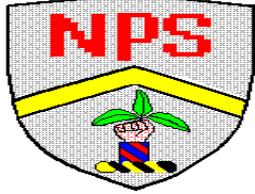


Spring Term Newsletter



Neurodiversity Celebration Week

This week in school we have been celebrating Neurodiversity.

Neurodiversity Celebration Week is a worldwide initiative that challenges stereotypes and misconceptions about neurological differences. It aims to transform how neurodivergent individuals are perceived and supported by providing schools, universities, and organisations with the opportunity to recognise the many talents and advantages of being neurodivergent, while creating more inclusive and equitable cultures that celebrate differences and empower every individual.

Here at Nettleworth, we have been looking at ADHD, Autism, Tourette, dyspraxia, dyslexia, dyscalculia and dysgraphia and celebrating how unique and amazing every human mind is!



For more information about this, follow the link below:
<https://www.neurodiversityweek.com/school-resources>

Wear a Hat Day 2022

We took part in Wear A Hat Day, raising money to help fund the fight against brain tumours.

All of the staff and children took part in this hattastic event and we celebrated with an inter-school

Big Hatty Bake Off!

We managed to raise £125 for The Brain Tumour Awareness Charity – thank you to everyone

who took part







For more information please follow the link below:

<https://www.braintumourresearch.org/fundraise/wear-a-hat-day-events>

*Nettlesworth School
Community Group
(NSCG)*

NSCG LEAFLET

NETTLESWORTH SCHOOL COMMUNITY GROUP (NSCG)

NSCG is a charity registered with the Charity Commission.

Members are school staff and parents/carers.

Our purpose is to assist and fund extra-curriculum activities for the benefit of our school children.

We are looking to recruit helpers for the running of our

future events eg. school fayres, special events etc.

We will also be reviewing our current board of trustees and welcoming new trustees/members.

If you are interested in helping the group with school events or interested in becoming a trustee/member, we are holding our next meeting on **Wednesday the 28th April at 4.30pm in the school hall. If you would like to attend, please contact Papi via email:**

p.taieb500@nettlesworth.durham.sch.uk

NSCG supporting Nettlesworth Primary School

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.

TT Rockstars County Durham Top of the Rocks League

UNCRC Article 29 – goals of education

Calling all of our fabulous TT Rockstars from Nettlesworth Primary...

We have been entered into a 'Top of the Rocks' league that will take place next week; starting at 9:00am on Monday 4th April and finishing at 3:30pm on Thursday 7th April 2022.

Nothing will change how we do our TT Rockstars, but all our scores from your games and challenges will contribute to an over-all school tally and be computed into the County Durham TT Rockstars League Table next week.

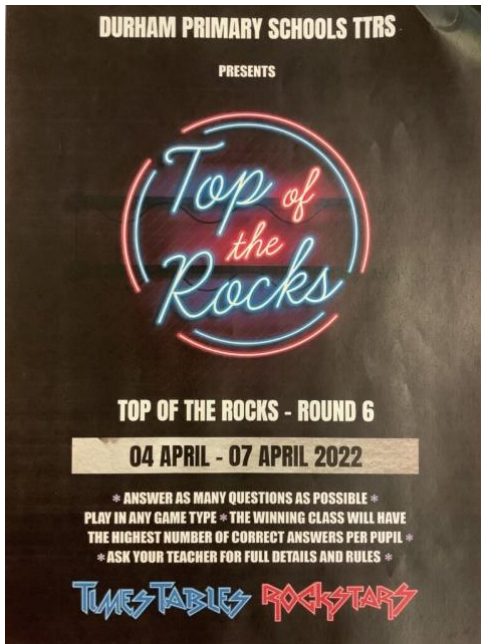
Where do you think we will finish?

Do you believe you could out-do your scores from previous weeks?

Remember to keep track of the competition on your TT Rockstars page.

Good Luck everyone.

[Top of the Rocks Poster – 30.3.22](#)



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.nettleworth.durham.sch.uk for diary dates, latest news, celebrations, advice and information.

Diary Dates

Fri 1st April-Skipping School Visit

Wed 6th April- Easter Egg Competition

Fri 8th April- End of Term

Tue 26th April- Children Return Back to School

Wed 27th April- Class 4 Trip to Beamish Museum

Thur 28th April- Year 2 SATS Test Meeting with Parents

Year 4 Times Table Check Meeting with Parents

Tue 3rd May- Crazy Critters visit to school

WB 9th May-KS1/2 SATS Assessments

Tue 10th May- Class 2 Outdoor Adventurous Activities Event

Tue 17th May- Class Photographs

Thur 26th May- Royal Jubilee Party
End of Half Term

Fri 27th May- Additional Bank Holiday (Queen's Jubilee)

Mon 6th June- Children return to school

- 3 week window opens to do Year 1 phonics screening tests and Y4 Times Tables Tests

Tue 7th June- Y5/6 Athletics Event

Wed 8th June- Class 4 visit to Blue Reef Aquarium

Fri 10th June- New Reception Class Starters Sep 2022 Parents Meeting

Mon 13th June- Parents Meeting for Y5/6 going to Robinwood Residential

- SPLAT Circus skills experience in school

Mon 20th June- New Reception Starters Visit 1

Tue 21st June- Sports Day

Wed 22nd June- Class 1, 2, 3 Trip to Hamsterley Forest

Thur 23rd June- New Reception Starters Visit 2

Mon 27th June- New Reception Starters Visit 3

Tue 28th June- Class 5 Trip to Beamish Museum

Wed 29th June- New Reception Starters Visit 4
- Class Swap Day

Thur 30th June- Class 3 Multiskills at Maiden Castle

Fri 1st July- Framwellgate Moor induction day for Y6

Sat 2nd July- Summer Fayre

Tue 5th July- KS2 SATS Results

Wed 6th July-Fri 8th July- Y5/6 Residential to Robinwood

Wed 6th July- Class 1 Performance for Parents/Carers

Fri 8th July- End of Year Reports go out

Mon 11th July- History Bloke visit to school

Tue 12th July- Class 1 Multiskills Festival

Wed 13th July- History Bloke Visit to school

Thur 14th July- Class 5 End of Year Performance for Parents/Carers

Fri 15th July- TT Rockstar Day

Tue 19th July- Y6 Leavers Assembly
- Y6 Prom

Wed 20th July- End of Term/Picnic with Parents/Carers

Further letters/details will follow about each event

Statutory Tests- Year 1, 2, 4 and 6

Year 1 and some Year 2 children- Phonics Screening Test takes place Week Beginning **6th June 2022**

Year 2 Children- KS1 Statutory Tests will take place Week Beginning **Monday 9th May 2022-** the children will not know they are taking tests as we keep them very low key for the younger children

Year 4 Children- Multiplication Tables Check- **Week Beginning 6th June 2022**

Year 6 children- KS2 Statutory Tests will take place **Week Beginning Monday 9th May 2022**

It is really important that all the children in these key year groups are in school during the dates the tests take place.

Meetings will be held for our parents in these year groups. Thankyou again for your continued support.

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.

Sainsbury's Games Values Superstars

Well done to this weeks multi skill stars!

