



## **Newsletter 28.09.18**

### **School Council**

We have appointed our new School Council: Ruby, Freddie, Kennedy, Seth, Gracie and Ben. They have met for the first time this week. Their first job was to run our MacMillan Coffee Afternoon this afternoon.

### **PE Kits**

Please could we remind everyone to send in a PE kit including suitable footwear – plimsolls or trainers – so that all the children are able to participate safely in all the sport and PE taking place in school. Thank you.

### **Harvest Festival**

This year's Harvest Festival will be on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 1.30 at St Michael's and All Angels Church. We are asking for donations of tinned goods which will be given to the local food bank. Please send any donations to school or bring them along on the day. Many thanks.

### **School Edible Growing Grant**

We were delighted to hear last week that we have been awarded a School Edible Growing grant of £2000. Our application will help us to further develop the school grounds with raised beds to grow vegetables and a mini orchard. We look forward to sharing further details with you as the project develops.

### **Parent Governor Vacancy**

We have a vacancy for a parent governor. If you think you might be interested, please contact the school for information on the role and an application form.

### **Active 10**

Frosterley School have signed the pledge for Active 10, County Durham's new initiative to increase activity levels for all children in primary schools. Our initial commitment is to ensure that every child takes part in at least ten minutes of physical activity a day in addition to their normal routine.

### **Christmas Cards –Frosterley Helping Hands**

Thank you to Frosterley Helping Hands for coming to school to make Christmas cards with the children. They will be sent away to be made into packs of cards which you can buy. You will have a proof copy and have the opportunity to order cards if you would like to. This was a very successful project last year which was very well supported.

### **NorthPens Creative Writing Workshop**

We are very much looking forward to our creative writing workshop with NorthPens on the afternoon of Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October.

The theme of this year's NorthPens Children's Creative Writing Award is OUT OF THIS WORLD. The award is sponsored by the North Pennines AONB Partnership, there are some stellar prizes on offer and there should be plenty of inspiration from the North Pennines Stargazing Festival! To help fire imaginations and get those stories and poems written, NorthPens will be visiting Frosterley Primary School.

Also children's writer and illustrator Sarah Gibbeson will be running a workshop as part of the Weardale WordFest on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October, 10.00 - 12.00. a.m. at St.Thomas' Church Hall, Stanhope. The workshop is funded by the Community Arts Team at Durham County Council and entry is free.

### **'Flu Immunisation**

All parents of children in YR-Y5 have received a letter about the flu immunisation programme. If you would like your child to receive the immunisation, please use the link on the letter to confirm this. The school nurses will only administer the vaccine to those who have given consent.

### **Parent Survey**

You will receive a parent questionnaire tonight with the newsletter. We would really appreciate it if you could complete one for each child and return them to school by Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

### **Diary Dates**

#### **September**

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> – 2pm MacMillan coffee afternoon

#### **October**

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> – School photographs

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October – NorthPens writing workshop KS1 and KS2

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> – PM KS2 Lego programming workshop

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – 'flu immunisation YR-Y5

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> – 1.30 Harvest Festival

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> – Parents' Evening 2 – 5.30

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> – 3.30 school closes for half term

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> – School re-opens

