



Whytrig Newsletter

Spring Term 2022

Monday, 28 February
Start of Spring 2nd Half Term

Tuesday, 1 March
KS2 Cycling

Tuesday, 1 March
Y8 SMSC Performance

Wednesday, 2 March
Y6 Beamish Trip

Thursday, 3 March
World Book Day

Friday, 4 March
Attendance Non-Uniform

Monday, 7 March
Parent Consultations

Tuesday, 8 March
HPV Catchup

Tuesday, 8 March
Y8 vegan cookery workshop

Friday, 11 March
Northumberland Fire and
Rescue Assembly

Tuesday, 15 March
Y5 Live Author Event

Friday, 18 March
Red Nose Day

Wednesday, 23 March
Y6 Shakespeare Workshop

Thursday, 31 March
School of Rock Theatre Trip

Friday, 1 April
Y5 Hancock Museum

Thursday, 7 April
End of Spring Term

Friday, 8 April
Training Day

Monday, 10 April
Valencia Football Residential

Monday, 25 April
Start of Summer Term

Monday, 2 May
Bank Holiday

9th to 12th May 2022
End KS2 SATs Week

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We enjoyed a very productive start to the Spring term, with children enjoying lots of success on the merit trail, as you can read below. The second half of this term is already looking like it will be a very busy and enjoyable one, with a number of events in school and visits out of school planned!

160th Anniversary of the New Hartley Pit Disaster

On Sunday 16th January, a memorial service was held to mark the 160th anniversary of the New Hartley Pit Disaster. After meeting at New Hartley Memorial Hall, the Backworth Brass Band joined attendees as they walked to the Memorial Garden for the service lead by Bishop John. During the service, Findley Belshaw in Year 8 gave a reading detailing the events that lead up to and that in turn took place on the fateful day in 1862. As always, Findley was a fantastic ambassador for our school and the Federation and can be proud of his role in such an important and historic day for the village of New Hartley.

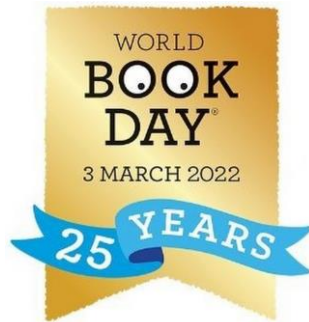
Seaton Delaval Hall Visit

Year 5 were lucky enough to be invited to the launch event of the Mischief and Mayhem exhibition at Seaton Delaval Hall on Monday 14th February. This was an event where the National Trust had teamed up with design students at Northumbria University to bring to life some mischievous inventions which the Delaval family may have had in the hall originally or may have had today if they still lived in the hall. The afternoon saw magicians, junk bands and a fire eater performing, along with displays of the winning inventions from local schools. A very big well done to Cora Miller, Georgia Compton, Avae Iveson, Thomas Gill and Macey Robinson, whose designs were created and are currently on display around the hall and grounds.

Parent Consultation Appointments

We would like to remind all parents and carers that appointments with class teachers on Monday 7th March can still be made up to noon on Friday 4th March. Please follow booking instructions sent out in previous communications.

World Book Day – Thursday 3rd March 2022



We are again celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March. Our aim is to not only promote Literacy but to continue to promote reading and a love of books. We also want to celebrate 25 years of World Book Day! So we have a number of things planned. The first is that we will be encouraging the children to come dressed in a costume relating to a character from a book, or something related to a book. Please note THIS IS NOT A NON UNIFORM DAY. Children who do not wish to get dressed up should attend school in their usual school uniform. We will also celebrate World Book Day with a quiz in the afternoon, with some

interesting contributions made by staff which is becoming the norm in school quiz situations! The children have all been given a World Book Day token which can be redeemed against books on the list, or put towards other books of their choice.

Red Nose Day – Friday 18th March

We will be supporting Red Nose Day on Friday 18th March and are asking the children to make a donation to Comic Relief (suggested £1) to attend school in non uniform on the day.

Gold Pupils

Well done to all the children who have reached the 25 merit mark and have been or are about to be presented with their 'Gold' badge. They are Michael Middlemiss, Lily Short,

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Sebastian Cardus, Adam Halliwell, Ella Bond, Darcey Beattie, Abbie Lowry, Amy Compton, Georgia Compton, Avae Iveson, Laila Pattison, Harry Foster, Tylan Rutherford, Iyla Sewell, Joseph Hickey, Maryam Waheed, Louis Vural, Mohamed Mostafa, Layton Casey, Joseph Maloney, James Ellison, Halen Baird, Josh Nesbit, Freddie Templeton, Charlie Dixon, Jenson Armstrong, Jack Howe, Isabel Sibley-Mather, Kai Turnbull, Kish Das, Len Pyle, Fiona Milne, Lily Duguid, Isla Moffat, Matthew Cockburn, Macey Robinson, Lucy Wells, Mally Dixon, Libby Stewart, Amelia Deeming, Sasha Fawcett, Emily Hedley, Aubree'Eve Stewart, Bethany Collins, Skye Golding, Gary Emmonds, Josh Hurlbutt, Esme Shipley, Roshfen Mohammed, Cora Miller, James Ellison, Travis Downie, Yasmin Roberson, Alex Cole, Logan Wails, Caitlin Taylor, Alfie Dawson, Maggie Relph, Ethan Collier, Lily Hulme, Danny Wells, Shaun Maguire, Evie Norris, Chantelle Kelly, Amelia Patrickson, Libby Lowery, Alfie Miller, Lydia Farrell, Cameron Scott, Lennox Sixsmith, Lucas Buchanan, Nathaniel Deeming, Georgia Wright, Hallie Fletcher, Kenya Gibbons, Katie Gray, Joseph Henderson, Rory Thompson, Olie Roper, Finlay Richardson, Rhys Friend, Aidan Guy, Joe Turner, Findley Belshaw, Daniel Norris, Jack Tully, Casey Sixsmith, Katie McInerney, Isabel Barry, Jacoby Wilson, Louie Bell, Sophia Corbett, Robbie Read, Matthew Burdess, Jacob Thomas, Zak Friend, Bethany Hutchinson, Lewis Little, Abbie Wood, Amelia Scott, Lewis Horn, Alyssya Sibley-Mather, Kelsey Rochester, Georgina Gordon, Max Dennis, Ella Chandler, Daniel Cole, Charlie Robinson, Jacob Bell, Thomas Gill, Brooke Royce, Grayson Horler, Matthew Welsh, Harry Eaton, Andrew Laird and Arthur Dawson.

Excellent Pupils

Well done to Lily Short, Sebastian Cardus, Adam Halliwell, Tylan Rutherford, Michael Middlemiss, Joseph Hickey, Darcey Beattie, Josh Nesbit, Harry Foster, Avae Iveson, Amy Compton, Ella Bond, Jack Howe, Charlie Dixon, Aubree'Eve Stewart, Cora Miller, Georgia Compton, Danny Wells, Laila Pattison, Mohamed Mostafa, Alfie Miller, Iyla Sewell, Esme Shipley, Lily Duguid, Layton Casey, Maggie Relph, Logan Wails, Halen Baird, Ethan Collier, Joseph Maloney, Robbie Read, Evie Norris, Sasha Fawcett, Emily Hedley, Amelia Scott, Kai Turnbull, Josh Hurlbutt, Matthew Cockburn, Thomas Gill, Grayson Horler, Fiona Milne and Freddie Templeton who have all gained 50 merits this term.

Superstar Pupils

We also have pupils who have now reached the 75 merit mark. Well done to Adam Halliwell, Lily Short, Tylan Rutherford, Sebastian Cardus, Michael Middlemiss, Tyler Summers, Josh Nesbit, Alfie Miller, Darcey Beattie, Amy Compton, Ella Bond, Avae Iveson, Laila Pattison, Thomas Gill, Georgia Compton and Jack Howe. Great effort!

Owl Award

Adam Halliwell has earned his Owl award for reaching the 100 merit mark along with Lily Short, Sebastian Cardus, Tylan Rutherford, Michael Middlemiss, Harry Foster, Alfie Miller and Thomas Gill. Well done everyone!

CXXV Award

Earning 125 merits in a term is a fantastic achievement, so a very well done to Adam Halliwell, Tylan Rutherford, Lily Short Sebastian Cardus and Harry Foster who have managed to do this.

Wilkie Award

We also have pupils who have amassed a staggering 150 merits this term. Well done to Tylan Rutherford, Sebastian Cardus, Adam Halliwell, Harry Foster and Lily Short – an outstanding achievement!

Stars Of The Week

Our Stars of The Week are nominated each week by staff for a variety of reasons, which might be contribution to the school community, school work or something outstanding. Each week their success is shared in school in the Star of the Week video and they receive a certificate and chocolate bar.

Week ending 18/2/22

5B: Sasha Fawcett; 5C: ; 5M: Jack Howe;
6E: Lydia Farrell; 6F: Alyssya Sibley-Mather; 6L: Lewis Little;
7CT: Jacoby Wilson; 7L: Halen Baird;
8L: Leon Hunter Roberts; 8Ro: Nathaniel Deeming; 8Ru: Sophie Anderson;

Week ending 11/2/22

5B: Emily Hedley; 5C: Alfie Miller; 5M: Harri Williams;
6E: Amy Fitz-Gerald; 6F: Tamsin Russell; 6L: Emanii Adam;
7CT: Brooke Royce; 7L: Lenox French;
8L: Joe Turner; 8Ro: Alex Cole; 8Ru: Ethan Wilkes;

Week ending 4/2/22

5B: Joseph Hickey; 5C: Joshua Hurlbutt; 5M: Carter Bowery;
6E: Lilly Twizell; 6F: Kate Turner; 6L: Robbie Read;
7CT: Casey Sixsmith; 7L: Keira Logan;
8L: Aidan Guy; 8Ro: Liam Fawcett; 8Ru: Mohamed Mostafa;

Week ending 28/1/22

5B: Fiona Milne; 5C: Lily Hulme; 5M: Stephanie Vinnicombe;
6E: Josh Stewart; 6F: Hallie Fletcher; 6L: Matthew Burdess;
7CT: Layla Rutherford; 7L: Megan Knight;
8L: Lily Thornton; 8Ro: Lewis Nielsen; 8Ru: Jimmy Tweedy;

Week ending 21/1/22

5B: Darcey Beattie; 5C: Michael Middlemiss; 5M: Louis Vural;
6E: Marcy Taylor; 6F: Leo Senior; 6L: Brooke Doherty;
7CT: Ashton Noke; 7L: Charlie Phillips;
8L: Amy Henderson; 8Ro: Leonardo Wilson; 8Ru: Martyna Flisikowska;

Week ending 14/1/22

5B: Laila Pattison; 5C: Macey Robinson; 5M: Noah Duigan;
6E: Lilly Twizell; 6F: Alfie Coats; 6L: Katie Buxton;
7CT: Kelsey Rochester; 7L: Tyler Wells;
8L: Ruby Henry; 8Ro: Andrew Laird; 8Ru: Jamie Derrick;

Week ending 7/1/22

5B: Iyla Sewell; 5C: Holly Abbott; 5M: Amelia Patrickson;
6E: Alex Addey; 6F: Cameron Scott; 6L: Freddie Templeton;
7CT: Holly Gordon; 7L: Callum Moore;
8L: Daniel Norris; 8Ro: Yasmin Roberson; 8Ru: Molly Park;

Attendance Non Uniform

On Friday 4th it is the attendance non uniform day for pupils who attended school for 95% or more of the time during last half term. We run this incentive to encourage good attendance. As a school we have to do all we can to encourage students to have good attendance. We in turn have targets placed upon us by the Government which we must try to meet; these targets do not take into account individual illnesses, only whether a child is in or out of school. We introduced this incentive as children value it but we do understand that it can be disappointing if children do not qualify. For this reason, qualification is based on attendance figures for the previous half term rather than the year overall and by doing so, we ensure children have 5 opportunities to qualify for the reward over the course of the year.

Twitter Feed

Don't forget, we also have a Twitter feed which gets updated regularly, mainly to keep you informed about special events or visits we have been taking part in. We have been tweeting recently about our Year 5 visit to Seaton Delaval Hall and our cycling excursions. You can follow us at: @whytrigms

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