



WHYTRIG MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Notices - Week Beginning 22nd January 2024

Year 6 SAT Information Meeting

On Monday 22nd, staff from the Year 6 Team gave an in school presentation to parents and children about the End of Key Stage Tests which take place in May this year. The presentation focused on the format of the tests, what to expect, what we are doing in school and what the children can also do at home to best prepare for them. At the meeting, some parents asked about revision books in Maths, so Mrs Kerridge has shared the following book which is useful for explaining all of the different topics:

<https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/primary-books/primary-sats/mlfr23-new-ks2-maths-sats-revision-book-ages-10-11>

The link below is to lots of different revision and question books to support in maths and English:

<https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/primary-books/primary-sats-books>

RAF Assembly

We were delighted to welcome APO Matthew Whitehead to give an assembly to Year 8 pupils on Tuesday 23rd January to promote 1000 (Blyth) Squadron RAF Air Cadets, who are now recruiting. They are holding an open day on Monday 29th January between 7 and 9pm. Many of our children seemed interested, given the rewarding experiences that are on offer to all cadets. More information can be found at www.dnwaircadets.org and on the Facebook page at

<https://fb.watch/pLjOok403y/>

Macbeth Event

Year 7 welcomed in Hannah from **Bigfoot NorthEast** to introduce them to the tragic and catastrophic world of "The Scottish Play". Not only did they get to grips with the plot and the characters but they also engaged in stagecraft, stage combat - and some demonic rap! They were absolutely absorbed by all of the activities and the time passed in a flash. Their feedback - whilst disappointingly NOT delivered in iambic pentameter ;) - was 100% enthusiastic.

Well done to all our gallant, honey-tongued cuckoo buds!!



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100% Attenders

Well done to all of our children who achieved 100% attendance in Term 1. They will receive their Bronze attendance award as a result:

Year 5

Lily T.

Year 6

Millie A, Evan B, Ruby C, Logan C, Bobbie F, Mason H, Lewis J, Jessica K, Mollie M, Annabelle R, Oliver S and Layton S.

Year 7

Casey A, James B, Sebastian C, Jack H, Kalisi K, Evie N, Maggie R, Lucy W.

Year 8

Katie B, Maddison C, Daniel C, Zak F, Jessica M, Emmie R, Tamsin R, Marcy T and Declan V.

Well done to all on their achievement, especially given all the coughs and splutters circulating last term. They now have the chance to go on and win their silver award this term by maintaining their 100% attendance, whereas everyone else can earn their bronze award with full attendance this term.

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 19/1/24:

5C: Michael; 5K: Tilly-Mae; 5L: Rex;

6E: Ruby; 6F: Fatima; 6L: Alara;

7H: Isabelle; 7L: Joseph; 7T: Joshua

8M: Ethan; 8Ro: Alfie;

Head of School SOTW: Jack W

Year 5 Baltic & Quayside Visit

Look out for a trip visit form!

We are pleased to be able to offer your child the opportunity to take part in the Baltic and Newcastle Quayside trip. This trip supports our learning about rivers and the River Tyne.

The trip is taking place on Friday 9 February 2024, leaving school at 9.30am and returning to school by 3.30pm.

NHS Advice on Measles

There is currently an outbreak of measles in the UK, please read the NHS guidance below on how to identify measles and how to look after your family if there is an outbreak.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/>



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Sporting Achievements

Year 7 Boys qualified for the Regional X-Country Finals in Middlesbrough in February- Joseph H finished 8th and Michael M 17th.

Year 7 and Year 8 Boys won the area Sportshall Athletics at Ashington LC and will compete in the Northumberland County Finals in February at Blyth.

Sports Clubs

KS3 Boys Fitness Club is now full on a Tuesday evening.

We still have a few spaces available at KS2 Boys Football (Monday evening) and KS2 Basketball Club (Wednesday evening).

Social Media Channels

Don't forget to keep up to date with everything else on our social media channels

X - @WhytrigMS

Facebook - @Whytrig Middle School



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