Whytrig Newsletter

Autumn Term 2020

Friday 27 November Cycling Sessions

Friday 4 December Cycling Sessions

Friday 11 December Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 15 December Christmas Lunch

Friday 18 December End of Autumn Term (School closes at 1pm)

Spring Term 2021 5 January to 26 March

Monday 4 January Teacher Day

Tuesday 5 January 2021 Start of Spring Term

> Friday 12 February End of half term

Monday 22 February Start of half term

Friday 26 March End of Spring Term

Summer Term 2021 13 April to 16 July

Monday 12 April Teacher Day

Tuesday 13 April 2021 Start of Summer Term

> Monday 3 May Bank Holiday

KS2 SATs Week 2021 10 to 13 May

> Friday 28 May End of half term

Monday 7 June Start of half term

Friday 16 July End of Summer Term

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Northumberland Line Consultation and School Competition

As you may be aware from announcements in the local press, The Northumberland Line is the project name for the reintroduction of rail passenger services between Ashington and Northumberland Park, which has been an aspiration of Northumberland County Council for many years. The line will comprise of six new rail stations at Ashington, Blyth Bebside, Bedlington, Newsham, Seaton Delaval and Northumberland Park, with journeys between Newcastle and Ashington taking around 30 minutes. As the future users of the Northumberland Line the Local Authority would like to engage young people in the project and will be creating opportunities in 2021 to work with schools on rail safety, construction, planning and design as the scheme progresses. To mark the start of the public consultation, children who attend schools in South East Northumberland and who are near to the new station locations are being encouraged to enter a competition. Due to covid restrictions this can be completed in their own time at home!

Primary Competition – Years 5 and 6

Pupils are to design either a train for the future or a logo for the Northumberland Line. Secondary Competition – Years 7 and 8

Pupils are to submit a piece of writing to tell the Local Authority what the Northumberland Line will mean for you in no more than 200 words.

All entries need to be sent to <u>rail@northumberland.gov.uk</u> before Friday 18th December. Entries will be put into a prize draw and a £20 voucher will be awarded to one pupil from each participating school and a £250 prize will be awarded to the primary, secondary school and SEND school with the winning entry in each category. They should include their full name, class and their school name when submitting their entries/drawings. Completed entries would be shared on the Northumberland County Council website and used on future publicity for the Northumberland Line project. Any names of pupils would not be shared online without prior consent.

Northumberland Line Consultation

The Northumberland Line public consultation is planned for 16th November and will be open for four weeks. The consultation will give people the opportunity to find out details of the scheme and specific details of the proposed stations; this is the opportunity for people to provide feedback on the proposals. For details of the consultation please visit <u>www.northumberland.gov.uk/line</u> This will be updated once consultation is open.

Gold Pupils (25 Merits)

Well done to Leon Hunter-Roberts, Ryan Read, Liam Armstrong, Caitlin Barnes, Erin Boxill, Koby Brown, Billy Robinson, Daniel Cole, James Wafer, Keira Pentolfe, Liam Fawcett, Oliver Wilson, Lily Thornton, Alesha Slater, Louis Foster, Ashton Noke, Grayson Horler, Logan Wails, Caroline Peddie, Kenya Gibbons, John Paul Watson, Zak Wyness, Lucy Brown, Grace Adams, Grace Elliott, Drew Addey, Daisy Codd, Harry Lord, Charlie Towns, Coral Oldham, Isabelle Buchanan, George Queenan, Aditi Sarkar, Lexie French and Ellie Adam on reaching gold status this term.

Excellent Pupils (50 Merits)

We have had lots of pupils who have now reached the 50 merit mark this year. A very well done to Jessica Hollyman, Robbie Read, Alfie Ferguson, JJ Maloney, Ella Taylor, Alfie Coats, Alyssya Sibley-Mather, Talia Green, Lily Coates, Evie Hughes, Gwen Peddie, Laila Heathcote, Maddison Lowery, Liam Riches, Leo Senior, Leo Armstrong, Alfie Henderson, Findley Belshaw, Joe Turner, Ethan Collier, Paige Campbell, Annalise Harvey, Ethan Hutchinson, Alex Addey, Zak Friend, Nathan Guiney, Matthew Burdess, Libby Stewart, Lucas Buchanan, Freddie Templeton, Paddy Nicholson, Billy Robinson, Tamsin Russell, Leah Dixon, Maddison Chambers, Jacob Knox, Eben Kennedy, Maggie Foster, Roshfen Mohammed, Mohamed Mostafa, Yasmin Roberson, Vincent Bowery, James Wafer. Megan Keir, Liam Armstrong, Liam French, Erin Boxill, Caitlin Barnes, Katie Buxton and Joseph Maloney!

Superstar Pupils (75 Merits).

Well done to Nikola Flisikowska, Maryam Waheed, Lyla Burr, Rhys Friend, Charlie Robinson, Beth Collins, Ava Miller and JJ Maloney on earning 75 merits this term.

Owl Award (100 Merits)

A very well done to Maryam Waheed on being the first pupil to reach the 100 merit mark this year!

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Stars Of The Week

Our Stars of The Week are nominated each week by staff for a variety of reasons. This week for example, we have children who have been supportive to their friends, have showed fantastic dedication to their reading, have completed excellent work in English, Geography and Maths, have shown great all round effort, have always had a pleasant and positive attitude and have been caring and cheerful members of the school community.

Week ending 27/11/20		
5B: Zak Friend;	5C: Eden Kennedy;	5M: Tamsin Russell;
6E: Lenox French;	6L: Ryan Bland;	
7L: Demi Harbertson;	7Ro: Nathaniel Deeming;	7Ru: Jamie Derrick;
8C: Madeline Tagger;	8L: Ellie Adam;	

Christmas Jumper Day

Please note we will be having our annual Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 11th December as this is a change to the previously published date. We will again be having a non-uniform day and collection for Save the Children. Children can come in non-uniform and we are again encouraging them to wear a Christmas jumper if they have one. Any donation will go towards Save the Children and will be greatly appreciated.

Cycling Update

As you will be aware we now have a schedule of KS2 cycling days between now and the end of term. Today Year 6 were out on a mammoth ride, so parents might expect some tired legs this evening. Today Mr Robinson and Mr Rothwell took a group out and cycled to Seaton Sluice, St Mary's Lighthouse, along the seafront to stop for a hot drink at Crusoes, then on to the fish quay at North Shields, Royal Quays, Shiremoor and back to school via Holywell Dene. Mr Robinson thinks in all, around 35KM were cycled today which is a superb effort by all!

Accelerated Reader

Mrs Linney would like to remind everyone that we are running an Accelerated Reader Class Competition, where the class with the highest average pass rate over the half term is the winner. Children can contribute towards their class winning by reading their books thoroughly, creating a mind map for each chapter/every 2-3 pages and taking time on their quiz. They must be confident before they take their quizzes because if they don't pass their quiz their percentage is brought down! The prize? The winning class will be allowed to go to the ICT room for an hour instead of doing their timetabled lesson AND will receive a non-uniform pass for a day of their choice. The current standings on 27/11/20 are:

5B: 87.8%;	5C: 82.9%;	5M: 74.5%;
6E: 75.2%;	6L: 80.0%;	
7L: 89.7%;	7Ro: 86.7%;	7Ru: 77.3%;
8C: 79.5%;	8L: 72.4%;	

Well done to 7L who are the leading class this week!