

# Weekly News



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for all your support this half term. We hope you have a lovely half term with family and friends. Children and staff return to school Monday 27th February.

## **Kindness Café**

It has been a busy week here at Sugar Hill. Our Kindness Café was really well attended by parents, carers and staff. If you have not attended our café yet we do hope you can join us over the coming weeks. Kindness Café is every Thursday morning. Doors will open a little earlier at 8.50am when Key Stage 2 children leave Breakfast Club.

## **Aiming High Presentation Event**

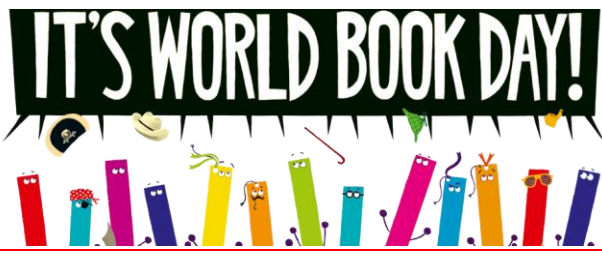
Thank you to Class 12 parents and carers who attended our 'Aiming High Presentation Event' on Thursday afternoon. The children have completed a ten-week programme with Anthony Daulphin, from The Standing Ovation Project who has been helping the children to realise their qualities and aspirations for the future. Staff and children have really enjoyed this intervention with Anthony.

## **Year 6 Residential to Marrick Priory**

Year 6 children embraced the opportunities to participate in team building activities this week at Marrick Priory. It is the first time we have used this venue and the very first residential since the pandemic. They worked together in activities that demanded skills of cooperation and collaboration. Lots of tired faces on the return to school on Wednesday (children and staff) and lots of washing to be done!! Many thanks to the all the staff at Marrick Priory.



At the end of another school week, **Senior Leaders are still extremely concerned with parking and stopping issues on the zig-zag lines at school.** This week lots of parents have commented to Senior Leaders about the drivers who are still putting children and families at risk. We have had police and traffic warden presence this week and this will continue over the coming weeks.



Please remember Thursday March 2nd is World Book Day- children to come to school in pyjamas



### **Active Future Taster Sessions**

On Friday 3rd March all children from Reception to Year 6 will be taking part in 'Active Future' taster sessions. Please can children come to school dressed in their PE Kit.

### **Y5 Experience Day at Greenfield Community Arts College**

We had a fabulous welcome from Mr Barker. The children had 4 taster lessons in Art, Drama, Science and PE. Lunch was a particular highlight. The children had a fantastic day. Well done Year 5 for your excellent behaviour representing Sugar Hill.

### **Rota Kids**

*Thank You!*

Thank you for supporting our Rota Kids this term. They are still very busy selling mix up bags to all year groups across school to raise funds.

So far, they have sold sweets to Year 6, Year 5, Year 4, Year 3 and Year 2.

After the half term holiday, they will be selling them to Year 1, Reception and Nursery.

# Attendance Rewards

This term the class rewards for the best attendance for Early Years and Key Stage 1 will be a visit to Ruff 'N' Tumble and for Key Stage 2 a visit to ROF.

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES			
Our school attendance target is at least 96%. All classes who have achieved this target are highlighted YELLOW. Please ensure your child is at school on time to ensure a smooth start to the day.			
Class 1	83	Class 8	92.4
Class 2	87.6	Class 9	97.5
Class 3	91.7	Class 10	96.6
Class 4	92.4	Class 11	98.9
Class 5	91	Class 12	95.5
Class 6	93.5	Class 13	96.7
Class 7	93.3	Class 14	91.9
The best attendance in Early Years and Key Stage One was Class 6 and in Key Stage Two was Class 11.			
Four classes will be adding a leaf to their tulip on the hall displays. Well done Classes 9, 10, 11 and 13.			

Please contact the school office 01325 300334 to report the reasons for absence before 9am on the day of absence or e mail school on [sugarhill@durhamlearning.net](mailto:sugarhill@durhamlearning.net) If this is not possible, please contact school as soon as possible on the day of absence. This is vital to ensure any absences are coded appropriately.

## SAFEGUARDING TEAM

**Safeguarding our children is a shared responsibility.** It is important that all parents and carers know who to contact with any safeguarding concerns. Sugar Hill Primary Safeguarding Team are Mrs O'Rourke (Head Teacher) Mrs Legge (Deputy Head Teacher and Safeguarding Lead) Mrs McCormack and Mrs Rowntree (Assistant Head Teachers) and Mrs Atkinson Jones (Social Learning Mentor).

If you ever have any safeguarding concerns, please speak to a member of our School Safeguarding Team without delay by calling into the school office or giving school a call on 01325 30033

If any arrangements change regarding who is collecting your child at the end of the school day this message must be communicated to classroom staff via your child's planner on a morning or if it is a late notice change that the school office is notified before 2.30pm if possible.

**SUGAR HILL NURSERY and PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**SPRING TERM DIARY DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR**

**Please see highlighted dates that have been added to the calendar**



Friday 17th February- last day of first half term

Monday 27th February- children return to school

Thursday March 2nd- World Book Day- children to come to school in pyjamas

Friday 3rd March 'Active Future' Taster Sessions- All children from Reception to Year 6 to come to school wearing PE Kit.

Monday 13th March-Friday 17th March Science Week in school

Monday 13th March Easter Egg Craft- Early Years and Key Stage 1- Parents and Carers invited to join in at 2.15pm (YN morning children to be invited back with parents to the event)

Tuesday 14th March Easter Egg Craft- Key Stage 2- Parents and Carers invited to join in at 2.15pm

Monday 20th March- Reception Celebration of Work -Class 2 2.15pm

Tuesday 21st March- Reception Celebration of Work- Class 1 2.15pm

Tuesday 21st March- World Poetry Day

Wednesday 22nd March- World Maths Day

Wednesday 22nd March- Year 6 Celebration of Work - Parents invited for 2.15pm

Thursday 23rd March- Year 1 Celebration of Work- Parents invited for 2.15pm

Thursday 23rd March- Year 4 Celebration of Work- Parents invited for 2.15pm

Monday 27th March- Year 2 Celebration of Work- Parents invited for 2.15pm

Tuesday 28th March- Nursery Stay and Play Parents invited for 11am and 2.15pm

Wednesday 29th March- Year 5 Celebration of Work- Parents invited for 2.15pm

Thursday 30th March- Year 3 Celebration of Work- Parents invited for 2.15pm

Friday 31st March- Last day of term

We hope you have a lovely weekend and half term holiday.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs O'Rourke and Mrs Legge