

Weekly News



Dear Parents and Carers,

An 'Eggstra Special' week here at Sugar Hill. Thank you again for all your support at our Easter Craft events on Monday and Tuesday.

Links with the Community

Year 5 and Year 6 children attended a special assembly today with Newton Aycliffe Firefighters and heard lots of safety messages. Many thanks to Richard and Kieron for leading this assembly and sharing these messages with staff and children.



New Website

This week we have launched our re brand of our website. Our newsletter is uploaded to the website on a Friday and also e-mailed to parents and carers. Mrs Noble is still updating the pages.

Absences

If you are reporting your child's absence by e mail please send it to our office staff using the following e mail address

sugarhilladmin@durhamlearning.net

Kindness Café

It was lovely to see so many parents and carers at our Kindness Café this week. If you have not been to our Kindness Café yet we do hope you can join us in the coming weeks.

Staff across school pop into the event when they can.

If you do attend please encourage other parents and carers that you know to come along. It is such a lovely atmosphere and a great start to our Thursdays.

Mrs Atkinson Jones, our Social Learning Mentor, attends every week and it's a great time to catch up with her over a warm cuppa.

Eggstra Special Week with Easter Craft Afternoons- Nursery to Year 6



Class 11 Caught on Camera

A huge thank you for all your support at our Easter Craft events. It was lovely to see parents, carers and children working together to create so many different craft ideas from Nursery to Year 6.

We sent several family photographs to the Newton News this week and one lucky family have made it on to page 3 of this week's edition.

Many thanks to Paul at Newton News for publishing our news stories that are read by our local community.

We are looking forward to seeing you all over the next couple of weeks at our 'Celebration of Work' events. Please check the calendar of events for the date and time for year groups.

Text reminders of the events will be sent to all parents and carers.



Children arriving late- all classes

All children arriving late on a morning must enter school via the Main Office (Entrance A). This is vital for **SAFEGUARDING REASONS** so all class registers are up to date. Children should arrive at school within five minutes from their start time to ensure they are not late.



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YEAR GROUP	Start Time	Entrance	Finish Time	Entrance
Nursery Full Timers	8.45	B	3.00	C
Nursery Part Timers (am only)	8.45	B	11.45	C
Nursery Part Timers (pm only)	12.00	C	3.00	C
YR	8.45-8.50	C	3.15	C
Y1	8.45-8.50	C	3.15	B
Y2	8.55-9.00	C	3.25	B
Y3	8.55-9.00	B	3.25	B
Y4	8.45-8.50	B	3.15	B
Y5	8.55-9.00	A	3.25	A
Y6	8.45-8.50	A	3.15	A

Appointments

Parents and carers must inform the school office if children have medical appointments through the day. Signing children out through the day is done by office staff and not classroom staff. Again, this is vital for **SAFEGUARDING REASONS** so all class registers up to date.

Comic Relief Day

Thank you for your support with our new uniform day for Comic Relief Day today and for donations received on Parent Pay. We will update you with how much we have raised next week.

Reception Classes visit the library



Yesterday our Reception classes visited the town library.

They were told a story, explored the library and enjoyed looking at a variety of books. The staff who accompanied the children returned to school reporting on the children's fantastic behaviour. Well done everyone!

Breakfast Club

All children who attend Breakfast Club in both departments MUST enter school on a morning via Entrance B as staff cars still enter school grounds up to 8.30am at Entrance C.

Parents and carers can walk out of school using Entrance C if you choose to do so, but we kindly remind you for the safety of all children that they use Entrance B as some children do walk this short distance independently. Thank you for your support.

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 on Friday March 31st.

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	91.3	Class 8	91.3
Class 2	89.6	Class 9	93.4
Class 3	92.5	Class 10	96.1
Class 4	91.3	Class 11	93.8
Class 5	92.7	Class 12	93.4
Class 6	94.3	Class 13	94.5
Class 7	91.9	Class 14	91.2
The best attendance in Early Years and Key Stage One was Class 6 and in Key Stage Two was Class 10.			
Only Class 10 will be adding a leaf to their tulip on the hall displays as attendance figures for all other classes are less than 96%.			

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 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



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

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs O'Rourke and Mrs Legge

