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## NEWSLETTER ~ 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017

### PERSONAL BEST CERTIFICATES

This week's 'Personal Best' certificates go to: Megan Y1, Zachery Y1, Amelia Y1, Millie Y2, Kai Y2, Sofia Y2, Noah Y2, Ameila Y2, Oliver Y2, Sophie Y2, Che Y2, Finley Y2, Emily Y3, Joe Y3, Matiss Y3, Chloe Y3, Sydney Y3, Jack Y3, Imogen Y3, Jack Y3, Krishika Y3, Jasmine Y3, Hayden Y3, Ollie Y3, Lewis Y3, Sophie Y3, Hannah Y3, Theo Y3, Billy Y4, Liam Y4, Daniel Y4, Mollie Y4, Jessica Y4, Clara Y4, Hannah Y4, Hannah Y4, Corey Y4, Emma-Lee Y5, Scott Y5, Joshua Y5, Mia Y5, Jamie Y6, Andrew Y6, Justin Y6, Alex Y6, Thomas Y6, Katy Y6 and Imogen Y6.



All of these children should all be very proud of their achievements.

### UNIVERSITY COMPUTER CHALLENGE DAY



On Tuesday, Year 6 visited Newcastle University Computer Science Department to take part in a school's Challenge Day. Throughout the day, the children worked in pairs to tackle three difficult challenges.

The first challenge was using a CrumbleBot, a robot which they had to programme, so that it moved in various directions and even reacted to obstacles that were in its way!

The second was a Traffic Light Challenge, where the children had to use coding to programme traffic light sequences.

Finally, the Ice-Cream Van challenge (unfortunately not using real ice-cream) where the children had to place as few vans as possible to reach all of the customers.



At the end of the day there was an award ceremony and two groups from our school won 'Best Team'. The children (and the staff) thoroughly enjoyed the day and Year 6 represented our school impeccably at the university. Congratulations to everyone involved.



## SPRING II 'GOING FOR GOLD' ATTENDANCE MEDAL TABLE

Class	 99% to 100% 5 points	 97.5% to 98.9% 3 points	 96% to 97.4% 1 point	Points Total
6H	 3/3 10/3 17/3	 31/3	 24/3	19
2W	 10/3 17/3 24/3		 31/3	16
3I	 3/3 10/3		 17/3 31/3	12
3L	 17/3	 3/3	 24/3 31/3	10
4B	 10/3	 3/3		8
5S	 10/3	 3/3		8
RT	 10/3	 24/3		8
6C		 3/3 17/3		6
1CT		 10/3	 3/3 17/3 24/3	6
4ER		 24/3	 3/3 10/3 31/3	6
5T		 10/3	 24/3	4
1CT		 24/3		3
2H			 3/3 24/3	2

259 children had 100% attendance this week. Well done!

## LEARNING REFLECTION WEEK



It was wonderful to see so many parents, carers and family members in school this week celebrating the children's achievements and successes during our Learning Reflection events.

Reception classes will be holding their events next week on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April at 2:15 p.m.

## EASTER WORKSHOP AT ST JOHN'S CHURCH

Children in Year 4 went to St John's Church this week to take part in an Easter Workshop. They really enjoyed their visit and had lots to tell us about when they got back to school:

"I liked taking part in the Last Supper"

"I enjoyed the craft activity"

"The people were really friendly and helpful"

Mrs Rook said that the children's behaviour was exemplary ~ Well done Year 4.



## THE READ 2 DOGS SCHEME

We are delighted to inform you that we will be starting the READ 2 DOGS programme, which is designed to give children the opportunity to increase their confidence and enjoyment in reading. Several charities, such as 'Canine Concern', 'Paws to Read' and 'Pets As Therapy' are involved in the programme and we are lucky enough to have Ali and her dog Finn joining us in school.

Finn is a specially trained service dog, who works in schools, hospitals and care homes. Children in Key Stage 1 will have the opportunity to read with Finn, under the close supervision of Ali, his owner and Mrs Wilson or another member of the school staff.



Some children can be nervous about reading out loud or reading to others in a group. Finn loves to hear children read, so this is a special time for the children, giving them time to practise and enjoy reading, away from other children.

Children in other schools have really benefitted from the READ 2 DOGS programme. It has helped them become less self-conscious and more confident with their reading. They looked forward to reading, because Finn provides comfort and inspires children to have fun reading.

We look forward to seeing Finn and Ali in school after Easter.

## SCHOOL MEALS ~ NEW MENU

The new three week school menu will start on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2017. There is a choice of four main courses, salad and a selection of puddings. We have attached the menus to this newsletter, but you can view them online through JOINOS, [www.joinos.com](http://www.joinos.com), on the North Tyneside Council website [www.northtyneside.gov.uk](http://www.northtyneside.gov.uk) or on our school website.

JOINOS allows you to manage your child's school meal account and you can save the link on a smartphone. By using JOINOS you can check meals taken, balances and make payments.

To register with Joinos, the Catering Service's on-line payment and information service, email [catering.services@northtyneside.gov.uk](mailto:catering.services@northtyneside.gov.uk), quoting your child's name, school, year and class.

If you need to discuss your child's allergy or medically prescribed diet, call (0191) 643 8355,

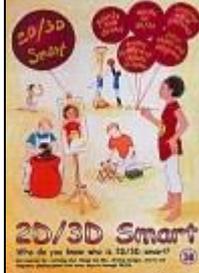
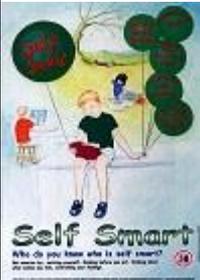
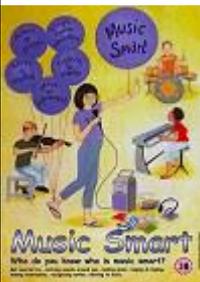


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## 'SMART' WEEK

Next week is SMART week. This is another opportunity for all of the children to find out more about our multiple intelligences, identify their own preferred learning styles and celebrate the many talents that they have:

<p><b>People Smart</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ noticing and understanding other people</li> <li>▪ working in a group</li> <li>▪ playing team games</li> <li>▪ listening and helping others</li> <li>▪ considering other people's feelings and moods</li> </ul> 	<p><b>2D/3D Smart</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ making models</li> <li>▪ drawing and painting</li> <li>▪ noticing what things look like</li> <li>▪ drawing designs, charts and diagrams</li> <li>▪ playing games that move objects through 2D/3D</li> </ul> 	<p><b>Practical Smart</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ repairing and making things</li> <li>▪ using your hands</li> <li>▪ noticing how to do things</li> <li>▪ learning how to use tools and equipment</li> <li>▪ finding out how things work</li> </ul> 
<p><b>Self Smart</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ setting yourself targets</li> <li>▪ noticing things for yourself</li> <li>▪ thinking before you act</li> <li>▪ thinking why you do things</li> <li>▪ controlling your feelings</li> </ul> 	<p><b>Body Smart</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ exercising</li> <li>▪ moving with agility</li> <li>▪ role play</li> <li>▪ balance and co-ordination</li> <li>▪ playing sports</li> </ul> 	<p><b>Word Smart</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ reading and making books</li> <li>▪ writing poems and stories</li> <li>▪ talking about things</li> <li>▪ telling jokes</li> <li>▪ spelling and noticing words</li> </ul> 
<p><b>Music Smart</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ playing and listening to music</li> <li>▪ noticing sounds around you</li> <li>▪ singing and rapping</li> <li>▪ making instruments</li> <li>▪ recognising rhythm</li> </ul> 	<p><b>Number Smart</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ noticing numbers</li> <li>▪ calculating and estimating</li> <li>▪ solving problems and puzzles</li> <li>▪ sorting and classifying things</li> <li>▪ playing strategy games</li> </ul> 	<p><b>Nature Smart</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ noticing the living world</li> <li>▪ watching the weather</li> <li>▪ gardening</li> <li>▪ keeping pets</li> <li>▪ being environmentally friendly, e.g. recycling</li> </ul> 

Which SMARTs are your 'hot spots'?

## RED NOSE DAY UPDATE

Thank you again to everyone who bought a red nose or donated money for Comic Relief last week.

We raised a total of £451.20 from donations and the sale of red noses and various things that the children made, for example, children in 4ER decorated and sold biscuits, raising a fabulous £49.50! 4ER would like to send special thanks to the very generous parents and carers who donated biscuits and decorations for them to use.



## FINALLY . . . F.O.G. REMINDER



The F.O.G. Easter Disco is on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April:

~ Children in Reception and KS1 from 3:45 to 4:45 p.m.

~ Children in KS2 from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

The F.O.G. Easter Decorated Egg Competitions are also on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April and will be judged at the end of each disco. Eggs can be brought into school in the morning or brought along to the disco after school.



Cookie day is on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April.

The next F.O.G meeting will be on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May, everyone is welcome and a crèche will be available.

p.s. If you would like to view the Seaton Burn College bulletin, please click on this link [Seaton Burn Bulletin](#) .