



Felton C of E Primary School

Monthly Newsletter - November 2023

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I hope you have all had a restful holiday, the first half term has flown by and we are all very much looking forward to the very busy term ahead. Autumn has certainly set in but we will continue with our Thursday run and outdoor learning, therefore please ensure that your children have plenty of layers to wear under their school waterproofs as we will endeavour to be outside as long as possible. Thank you to all the parents and carers that have been joining us both as runners and marshalls, we couldn't do it without you. We will continue for as long as we can, until the weather defeats us! It would be useful if **ALL** children had a named pair of wellies in school, as all classes are making use of our very boggy school grounds during science and geography lessons.

Mrs Emma Lucas

Headteacher

Learning Journeys

This half term:

Explorers will undertake a variety of independent and adult focused activities exploring nocturnal Animals. I can't wait to taste their hedgehog bread rolls!

Adventurers' journey is named 'Terrific Toys' and they will be looking at how toys have developed through history. Their visit and workshop at Beamish will definitely enhance their learning.

Voyagers are continuing their 'Journey down a river' topic, looking how rivers shape the land and how they have been represented by different artists over time.

Pioneers are continuing their 'Dive in' project, although I do hope none of them 'dive in' on their visit to St Mary's lighthouse at the end of the month. In Design Technology, they will be investigating cams and creating their own wave model.

Collective worship

In the run up to Christmas the theme of living together in peace will be the focus of our Open the Book assemblies and class collective worship and then during Advent we will be exploring the Christmas story from different viewpoints.

On Sunday, there is a Remembrance service at St Michael's and All Angels at 10am and then a wreath from the school will be placed at the War memorial as part of the village's Act of Remembrance. If anyone can attend it would be lovely to see you there. A Christingle service will be held at the church during the final week of term which you are welcome to attend but please be aware that space is restricted.

Felton School Friends Association

Many thanks to the FSFA for organising a Halloween Disco in the Village Hall - much spooky fun was reported by all that attended. They have many other events planned and any support would be gratefully received. Please email feltonsfa@gmail.com if you would like further information or to offer your services.



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Operation Encompass and Operation Endeavor

All schools in Northumberland are Operation Encompass and Operation Endeavour schools. These are projects which is run in partnership with Northumberland County Council and Northumbria Police. Operation Endeavour aims to support children and young people who go missing from home, while Operation Encompass aims to support children and young people who are affected by domestic abuse. These projects demonstrates our school's commitment to working in partnership to safeguard and protect children, and to providing the best possible care and support for our pupils. For further information please see the [Safeguarding section of our School website](#)

PARENT GOVERNOR NOMINATIONS

As you will have seen from Mr Long's recent email we have 1 Parent governor vacancy. No special qualifications are needed, but you will need to have a keen interest in providing support and challenge to the head teacher and staff in their pursuit of the school's mission to achieve the very best outcomes for all pupils.

If you would like to stand for election please complete the linked nomination google form and return it to the school no later than 20/11/2023. You may also include a short personal statement to support your nomination, which should be no longer than 250 words. [Link to Nomination Form](#)

A copy of these documents can be found on our website in the [Parent Governor Election 2023](#) section.

Christmas Performance

We are overjoyed to announce that we will be again having live performances at Christmas! To ensure enough room for everyone in the hall, each Key Stage will hold their own performance on separate days. More precise details will follow but here are the dates and times so that you can make arrangements.

Tuesday 12th December - Explorers @ 1:45pm

Wednesday 13th December - Adventurers @ 3:30pm

Thursday 14th December - Voyagers and Pioneers @ 1:45pm & 5pm

Dates for your Diary

13.11.23 - Anti-Bullying Week

15.11.23 - Adventurers to Beamish

17.11.23 - Children in Need

29.11.23 - Pioneers to St Mary's Island

12.12.23 - EYFS performance 1:45pm

13.12.23 - KS1 performance 3.30pm

14.12.23 - KS2 performance 1:45 & 5pm

18.12.23 Christingle @ Church 9:15am

20.12.23 - Christmas lunch

22.12.23 - Break up for Christmas Holidays

8.1.24 - Return to school