

Cockfield Primary School Newsletter 12/03/21

Message from Mrs Costello (Headteacher),

What a fantastic week we've had in school, I was absolutely delighted to see all of the children returning happy and ready to learn. The staff have all been smiling this week behind their masks as we are just so glad to see them back where they belong. It's been lovely to start to get to know the children even though it has been from a distance. They are so polite, enthusiastic and well-mannered and are a credit to the school and their parents.

This week and last week we celebrated National Science Week, Key Stage 2 had a zoom workshop from Beamish in school and at home and the teachers planned lots of exciting Science activities in class. Miss Racher is running a whole school science challenge: children are asked to think about if you could invent anything, what would it be? You have until 19th March 2021 to design your idea. If you create something please take a picture of this and either email it to school or show Miss Racher.

Next Friday is Comic Relief and children can come to school in non-uniform. The children can wear red and white, red spots or just their own clothes if they prefer. The teachers will plan some fun activities to do in class in the afternoon.

We welcomed two new children to class 4 this week and 4 new children to nursery. It was lovely to see them settling in and to watch how lovely the other children were at taking care of our new starters.

We will be holding a school Easter Egg Decorating Competition in the last week of term. There will be prizes for each class and there will also be a Parents/Carers competition too. Further details next week!

COVID Update

The overriding message is that although the end is in sight – COVID19 has not gone away and is still very much a risk to all of us so we must continue to stick to the rules. A number of bubbles have closed in schools across the county this week so we need to continue to do our best to keep everyone safe.

Please remember **Hands**, **Face**, **Space**: wash or sanitise your hands very regularly; wear a face covering as much as possible; maintain your distance between other people as much as possible. Also remember that it is still not permitted to mix with other households so children (nor adults) are not allowed to go around to each other's houses and play, even in the garden. We know this is very tempting but if we are going to get out of the restrictions



as set out by the Government, we must all do our part and stick to the rules. We will be reviewing our school Risk Assessment before the beginning of the Summer term and we will let you know if we feel any of our school rules can be relaxed.

After School Clubs & Wraparound

We are asking parents to inform us in advance if they would like their children to attend after school or wrap around care, this makes it much easier for us to plan ahead. Clubs will resume after Easter but until then, we are providing childcare only. Please just ring school or complete the form if you haven't already done so to give us an idea of numbers.

Stars of the Week

This week we had our first live virtual assembly on Teams, we will publish the names of the winners on the website and facebook next week with pictures of the winners from World Book Day as well.

Have a lovely weekend, stay safe.

Mrs Costello, Headteacher

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY Sunday 14th March 2021

