



Cockfield Primary School Newsletter

14th May 2021

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Care, believe, achieve together!

Message from Mrs Costello (Headteacher)

This week started with our team of Head Boys and Girls delivering assemblies to every class in their bubbles to promote their charity fundraising day planned for the last day of the half term. The children approached me a few weeks ago to ask if they could organise a charity event in school. They had chosen the Alzheimer's Society as their charity of the year because they have family members who have suffered from dementia and also because after such a difficult year they want to do something to help out the local community.

They taught the children in school all about the 5 key messages which make us dementia friends and have started to organise some fun activities to be done on the day. **The children can come to school in non-uniform on Friday 28th May and we are asking for a donation of £1 per child.** We have also set up a Just Giving page if families wish to donate in that way although we appreciate that post lockdown finances may be tight. All money raised will go directly to the Alzheimer's Society.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/cockfieldprimaryschool>

As restrictions lift, we are starting to plan ahead and are really hoping that we can hold our Sports Day and invite parents in in a COVID safe manner on **1st July** so please save the date, unfortunately we can't guarantee this at the moment, but we will do all we can to make this happen safely within our risk assessment. We are also hoping to have some stay and play type sessions outside for EYFS if the weather allows next half term. As a school we have missed having parents in and are really keen to reintroduce these things in a safe manner as we start to hopefully come out of the pandemic.

We still remain vigilant and would ask that families continue to test at home where possible and keep us informed if any family member develops COVID symptoms.

This week I have been lucky enough to spend some time in Class 1. It was lovely to watch them learning and playing together and a real pleasure to see how well the children were doing with their phonics, reading and writing, they are certainly off to a flying start.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs K Costello (Headteacher)

Parking Issues



We are still receiving complaints about inconsiderate parking outside of school. Please can parents try to park away from school and walk if possible. If this isn't possible please don't park on the zig-zags, the police are monitoring this as we all have a responsibility to keep our children safe and it can get really busy outside school.

Safeguarding Update

Our designated safeguarding lead is **Mrs Costello**

Our deputy safeguarding lead is **Mrs Woods**

If they are not available then please speak to Mrs Harrison in the school office who will contact them.

One Point Family Centres

The One Point service provides early help through offering direct support, advice and a range of activities for children and young people from 0-19 years and their families. They offer advice and practical help across all aspects of family life - in pregnancy and as a new parent, getting a job and building your skills, relationships and staying healthy and safe.

You can call them on 03000 261 111



Our Stars of the Week were:

Nursery – Anabella A

Reception – Beau Y

Year 1 – Noah S

Year 2- Jarrod D

Year 3- Isla E

Year 4- Shane N

Year 5- Mya B

Year 6 – Jack W

Headteacher's Awards



Gareth C

George C

Timothy C

Millie-Ann D

Ayisha D

Freddie H



Star Readers

Mia H

Tommy H

Isla M

Nicole C

After School and Wrap Around Summer Term

Our wrap around care has proved very popular this term and it has been lovely to see the children enjoying football and performing arts. Unfortunately, these clubs are now full but we do have childcare spaces if anyone requires after school care. Please contact the school office to book your child in in advance.

COVID19 Update



Please remember COVID19 has not gone away and there are still cases in both children and adults across the county. We need to continue to follow the rules to keep the community safe. Please use the email address cockfield@durhamlearning.net in order to inform school if your child tests positive for coronavirus. We have a duty to continue to report any cases to Public Health England for the purposes of Track and Trace.

Cleaner Wanted

We have a temporary vacancy for a cleaner in school to cover sickness absence. The hours of work are between 6.30am – 8am and 3.30 – 5pm Monday to Friday. Applicants will need to complete a DBS check to show that they are eligible to work in school. Please contact the school office cockfield@durhamlearning.net or ring 01388718263 for more details.