



2 November 2018

Dear Parents

Up and Coming Events: Year 1 Visit to MOD Pizza
Year 2 Sharing Assembly
Remembrance Parade Sunday 11th

Welcome Back

I hope you all had a lovely half term. This term has started off with a Halloween Disco and themed school lunch and many more activities are planned. This will be a busy half term as we work right up until Friday 21st December.

British Legion Poppy Appeal

We have poppies & stationery in school for a minimum donation of 50p (rulers are £1). Remembrance Parade will take place Sunday 11th November. Some of our children are taking part in this and one child is reading at the Cenotaph. The service takes place at the Cenotaph at approximately 10:45am.

School Disco

A HUGE thank you to the many volunteers who gave up their time so that your children could enjoy a Spooky Disco. All the children looked amazing in their costumes and I hope they all had a great time. Thank you again

Fortnite

As part of our #WakeUpWednesday campaign, National Online Safety has teamed up with MusicAlternative to launch a Fortnite online safety song.

The song encourages parents and carers to "stay switched on" to online dangers when their children are playing Fortnite. We hope you love this video just as much as we do!

YouTube link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j150BqInjnY>

Download link: <https://we.tl/t-wa4OjQ2jPu>

Anti-Bullying Week

Our Anti-Bullying week will be week commencing 12th November. Children can come to school in odd socks on Monday 12th.

Attendance

Congratulations to 5G who had 100% attendance this week and receive a bonus playtime for being the class winners. Well Done to all the other year groups who were all in the green section of our traffic lights.



Red - Danger Zone - **Below 90%**

Amber - At Risk Zone - **91% - 96%**

Green - Safety Zone - **97% - 100%**

Class 1G	97.9 %	Class 4H	99.3%
Class 1S	99.3%	Class 4K	99.7%
Class 2M	96.4	Class 5G	100%
Class 2S	96%	Class 5H	99.2%
Class 3ON	98.7%	Class 6L	96%
Class 3P	98.2%	Class 6W	96.5%

Squishies

Message from a Year 6 entrepreneur- Macey from Year 6 will be holding a stall and selling keyrings for 50p Thursday and Friday playtimes. Squishies will be on sale soon! The keyrings for sale are available in various colours and different designs. All of the money raised will be going towards the Year 6 Leavers' Party.

Year 6 try to raise funds every year to help lower the cost of tickets for their Year 6 Leavers' Party.

Year 2

Scientists - The scientists are coming in on Monday. Please ensure you have returned your child's permission slip for this event by Monday.

Sharing Assembly - Just a reminder it is our sharing assembly on Friday 9th November. We look forward to seeing you there. This will be in the main hall, so after school drop off go around to enter the hall through the fire doors. You don't need to bring anything along with you, but make sure you are ready to learn, participate and have fun!!!

Year 6

Leavers' Hoodies - These are now available to order direct from Mick Martin. As soon as SATs are over Year 6 will be able wear the hoodies for school. The deadline for ordering the hoodies is **March**.

'Leavers 2019' with students names printed 1 colour.
Size 9/10 or 11/13 cost £14.49 - Adult Sizes cost £19.19



FOFS

Spooky Disco - Fun was had by all and the children looked amazing in their outfits. Thank you so much to all the adults that helped, it was great to see so many people willing to offer their help at these events.

Next meeting - Our next meeting will be on Friday 9th November at 2pm and will be finished in time for school finishing. It will be great to see some new faces at the meeting.

Christmas design orders - all orders need to be in by Monday with full payment.

Reminders

Flu Vaccinations Monday 12th November (Reception to Year 6), **Letters must be returned by Monday.**

If you have any concerns or queries do not hesitate to contact me.

Just to remind you this is a Safeguarding School and we have a duty to pass on any concerns to Children's Services.

Our staff are also trained in Team Teach techniques in order to ensure the safety of everyone involved.

Yours sincerely

HJ Gladstone
Headteacher



Watergate Wildlife Watch



Our next session will be:-

Winter Birds

Investigate the birds that visit Watergate Park in winter. Learn how to be a brilliant bird detective and how we can help look after our feathery friends. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Sat 24th November 10.30 – 12.30



A new club at Watergate Forest Park, aimed at children aged between 6 and 13, takes place on the last Saturday of the month from 10.30am – 12.30pm.

Membership is free, and younger siblings are welcome to come along too. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

The club is based at Watergate Café (behind Emmanuel College), and is run by Durham Wildlife Trust, supported by the Café and Friends of Watergate Forest Park.

There is no need to book, simply come along to Watergate Café for 10.30am. Make sure you wrap up warm, as weather permitting, most of the

activities are based outdoors. Any queries, please visit our Facebook page, “Friends of Watergate Forest Park”, or ask at the café.

There is a car park near to the cafe on the A692, just past the college; or the X31, 11 and 97 buses from Gateshead Interchange stop at the top of Lobley Hill near the shops.