



Slaley First School



Friday 22nd March 2024



Dear Parents,

It has been another very busy week here at Slaley; it's hard to believe that next week is the last week of the Spring Term. Time goes so fast!



On Tuesday the children went to the Skipping Festival at Wentworth Leisure Centre and had a lovely time joining in with a number of skipping activities alongside children from other schools. Today they have all participated in an Online Easter Games special event organised by Northumberland County Council.



Readathon

Thank you to everyone who has participated in our Readathon over the past few weeks. We are still waiting for one or two more donations to come in but we have definitely raised over £570. If you still have any more donations to make, it's not too late as you still can via the following link ...

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/suzanne-osborne-1708805949637?newPage=true>

We will be purchasing new Lexile Books (something the children have requested) with money raised

Thank you to those of you who sent in photographs of their children reading. Prizes for our Readathon were awarded yesterday as follows ...

Prize for ...	Winner(s)	Prize
Collaborative Reading (Reading together at the table)	Alice, Ralph, Oscar	One Fox book by Kate Read Gina Kaminski Saves the Wolf by Craig Barr-Green The Prisoner of Bhopal by Tim Walker
Most inventive Place (In a pizza oven)	Oliver	Amulet by Kazu Kibuishi
Reading to a Relative	Finley	This Book will Self Destruct by Ben Sanders
Contextualised Reading (Reading Books about their own pet)	Norah Lily	Hexham Book Festival Family Ticket (to be sent by the organisers)
Reading in the most places	Arte	Mr Wolf Voucher

Clubs

Piano Tuition will continue next week along with multiskills and Tennis.

THERE IS NO DANCE CLUB NEXT WEEK BUT PIPPA IS GOING TO RUN THE SESSIONS AGAIN AFTER THE HOLIDAYS (WE WILL SEND HOME A LETTER NEXT WEEK)

After Easter we will be starting some new clubs – We will send details of these next week!

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 26th March – Rev Linda Hunter in school for an Easter Assembly

10am – Tree Planting (Women's Institute are visiting school to donate a tree for planting to mark 100th Anniversary)

Wednesday 27th March – Spruce Class Trip (Please remember to check the details on your letter.)

Thursday 28th March – Easter Egg Hunt (organised by FoSS)

Stay and Play Forest School

Mrs English held her third 'Stay and Play' Forest School this week and she will be continuing it every Thursday afternoon (1.30pm - 3pm). If you have any friends in the area that have pre-school children and they would like to come and join in, please tell them to drop us an email on admin@slaley.northumberland.sch.uk or ring 01434 673220.

Reading Ambassadors

Our Reading Ambassadors are continuing their great work and this week they made a very special visit to Larch Class to carry out some 1-1 reading with the Early Years children.

Eco Warriors

Our Eco Warriors are our environment protectors and next week they will be completing some posters in our Reading Den with the aim of encouraging all to take care of our environment!

Sports Leaders (Year 4) and Apprentice Sports Leaders (Year 3) Still enjoy leading their Sports Sessions on a Thursday lunchtime supported by Mrs Ainslie our PE Lead.



Attendance last week

Larch - 97%

Spruce - 90.7%

Pine - 98.9%

Well Done Pine Class!

Sports Lending Library

Please can we have all equipment that has been borrowed back into school next week.

Next half term, the library will be open to children in Pine class. And will be facilitated by our Sports Leaders

Miss Parr (Science Lead) is continuing to work towards our PSQM award and will soon be sharing some of the wonderful things she has been doing.

Spare Uniform

Just a little reminder that we have some second-hand uniform that is in good condition in the Clubroom. This is always available to view on a Friday straight after school and is free to a good home! If you would ever like to come and have a look, please don't hesitate to ask.

**Have a lovely weekend everyone!
Mrs Hayward**

Cupcake Orders

If you have ordered any of Mrs Seymour's cupcakes, these will be available to pick up on Wednesday 27th March at 3pm.



HAPPY EASTER

Slaley First School is holding an egg decorating competition ...

If you have time and would like to take part, please can you bring in a decorated hard boiled egg to school on **Thursday 28th March**.

We will display the eggs in the hall and have 3 little prizes for the best decorated eggs.

(Please try to use materials you already have at home; we don't want it to be an extra expense for anyone!)

Please remember that our last day of school is Thursday 28th March. School is closed on Friday 29th March for the Easter break. We will return on **Monday 15th April**

