



Slaley First School



Friday 12th May 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we fast approach half term, we have been continuing to work hard and have fun at school. We are looking forward to welcoming Mrs Ainslie back after half term and she will be teaching in Early Years on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings and then all day on a Thursday. (I will be continuing to teach on an afternoon and all day on Friday).

Next week, our year 2 children will be carrying out their SATs (Tuesday - Friday) but whatever the results, we are always proud of all of our children!

SATs don't measure sports
SATs don't measure art,
SATs don't measure music,
Or the kindness in your heart.

SATs don't see your beauty,
SATs don't know your worth,
SATs don't see the reasons,
You were put upon this earth.

SATs don't see your magic,
How you make others smile,
SATs don't time how quickly,
You can run a mile.

SATs don't hear your laughter,
Or see you've come this far,
SATs are just a tiny glimpse,
Of who you really are.

So sitting at your table,
With a pencil and your test,
Remember SATs aren't who you are,
Remember **you're the best!**

Thank you also to all of the parents who attended our Multiplication Check Meetings with Mrs Dixon this week; we are very grateful for your support.

Film Night

We had another great Film Night last night; all of the children were very well behaved and seemed to enjoy the film (and the popcorn and sweeties!)

Class 2 Trip

Yesterday, the children in Class 2 should have brought home a letter re a trip to Ford Castle on 14th July. Please could you the consent form be returned to school by Wednesday next week. We are busy planning a trip for Early Years and Class 1; more information will be given soon.

What is happening this week?

Friday 19th May - Quad kidz - Class 2 - (A letter has been sent home)

Monday 22nd May - Phonics Screening Information session for Year 1 parents (3.30pm-4.15pm)

Friday 26th May - Last day of half term

W/B 12th June - Multiplication Check Week - Year 4 children / Phonics Screening - Year 1 children

Thursday 13th July (AM) Sports Day

Saturday 15th July - Summer Fair

Wednesday 19th July (9.30am-10.30am) Leavers' Assembly

Wednesday 19th July (3.15pm - 5pm) Leavers' Pizza Night

Little Reminders ...

Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school as they will not be able to take part in PE without it due to Health and Safety reasons.

Last Week's Attendance Well Done Class 2!

EYFS – 92.1%
Class 1 – 92.2%
Class 2 – 98.4%

Please can you help?

As part of the PHSE Curriculum, during the week beginning 22nd May, Class 2 will be talking about jobs that people do. If you are employed in a role in any sector then we would love to hear about it! Please could you drop us an email outlining your roles and responsibilities (admin@slaley.northumberland.sch.uk) or even better, if you have time to come into school to talk to the children about your job then that would be great (we can fit around you in terms of timings).

Swimming

Swimming will resume for Class 1 and Class 2 on Monday: the children will need to come to school as normal with their swimwear underneath their PE kit. If your child has forgotten their kit then they will be able to change at school for this week.

Have a lovely weekend everyone. let's hope the sun is shining!

Mrs Hayward

Transition Information

Children who are moving on to St Joseph's Middle school

Transition Day - Tuesday 4th July (This is a newly agreed date so please check your diary)

Wednesday 28th June - Year 4 Rounders Afternoon

Children who are moving on to Hexham Middle school

Wednesday 28th June - Year 4 Rounders Afternoon

Tuesday 4th July - Transfer Day

Tuesday 4th July - Transfer Evening (parent/ carer session)

Children who are moving on to Corbridge Middle School -

Tuesday 4th July - Transfer Day (newly agreed date) - Other days TBC

Our Leavers' Assembly (am) and Pizza Night (pm) will take place on Wednesday 19th July here at Slaley First School.

All National Online Safety we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information they need to help an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one issue at a time which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guidance, tips and tips for adults.

ONLINE CONTENT

10 tips to keep your children safe online

The internet has transformed the ability to access content. Many apps that children use are dependent on user-generated content which can encourage freedom of expression, imagination and creativity. However, due to the sheer volume uploaded every day, it can be difficult for platforms to regulate and moderate everything, which means that disturbing or distressing images, videos or audio clips can slip through the net. That's why we've created this guide to provide parents and carers with some useful tips on keeping children safe online.

- 1 MONITOR VIEWING HABITS**
Whilst most apps have moderation tools, inappropriate content can still slip through the net.
- 2 CHECK ONLINE CONTENT**
Understand what's being shared or what seems to be 'trending' at the moment.
- 3 CHECK AGE-RATINGS**
Make sure they are old enough to use the app and meet the recommended age-limit.
- 4 CHANGE PRIVACY SETTINGS**
Make accounts private and set content filters and parental controls where possible.
- 5 SPEND TIME ON THE APP**
Get used to how apps work, what content is available and what your child likes to watch.
- 6 LET CHILDREN KNOW YOU'RE THERE**
Ensure they know that there is support and advice available to them if they need it.
- 7 ENCOURAGE CRITICAL THINKING**
Talk about what people might post online and why some posts could cause distress.
- 8 LEARN HOW TO REPORT & BLOCK**
Always make sure that children know how to use the reporting tools on social media apps.
- 9 KEEP AN OPEN DIALOGUE**
If a child sees distressing material online, listen to their concerns, empathise and offer reassurance.
- 10 SEEK FURTHER SUPPORT**
If a child has been affected by something they've seen online, seek support from your school's safeguarding lead.

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