# Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Two brilliant school trips in one week! Year 4 visited the Roman Army museum and Vindolanda and Year 3 took a trip to the Queen's Hall to take part in a map making workshop. The Eco team lead assembly, Year one showed off their flexibility, agility and skills in their gymnastics and Mrs Raistrick, our singing teacher began teaching Christmas songs, we made poppies to remember those who lost their lives for our freedom today. It's been a busy but awesome week – lots of fun and learning.











#### Odd Socks Day is Monday 15th

All you need to do is wear odd socks! It's a great way to celebrate what makes us all unique in Anti-Bullying Week! It's an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique! There is no pressure to wear the latest fashion or to buy expensive costumes. All you have to do to take part is wear odd socks to school, it couldn't be simpler! Odd Socks day will take place this Monday which is the first day of Anti-Bullying Week to help raise awareness of bullying.

#### **Eco Team**

Our amazing school Eco team led part of this week's assembly and reminded the whole school about our 'green' priorities for this year that includes reducing waste, recycling more, not buying single use plastics, reducing litter and planting our own food. We also discussed climate change and how at Hexham First School we can work together to reduce our impact on the environment. The children have some amazing eco ideas so watch this space and be ready to be challenged at home. We have introduced a new Eco Dojo worth two Dojo's that will be given out in recognition of anything green or environmental.

#### Word of the week

One of our school priorities this year is to increase the range of vocabulary used in school. Each week we will choose an ambitious new word, if you have any suggestions — please let us know and we might add them to our Friday Flyer.

# Skedaddle – to depart quickly or hurriedly

Safeguarding reminder - please make sure your mobile phones are always turned off when visiting school, this is part of our child protection and safeguarding procedures in school.



## Well done to this week's Dojo Certificates holders

Reception: Eva - Respect

Year 1: Olive - Ambition

Year 2: Riley - Respect

Year 3: Aimee – Resilience

Year 4: Esme - Respect

Handwriting certificates go to: Isla, Bella, Scott, George, Hollie



### Monday November 15th

Odd Socks day 1<sup>st</sup> day of anti-bullying week

Tuesday November 16th

Reception library and market trip

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Year 2 & 3 lantern making workshop

Monday November 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Reception Nasal Flu Vaccines** 

Friday November 19th

Children in Need Day

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November

Year 4 First Aid training

Friday December 3rd

Year 4 Bikeability sessions begin

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas jumper day

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December

Year 1, 2, 3 and 4 - Queens Hall

Christmas show

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Carols - Hexham Abbey

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December

Break up for Christmas holidays

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January

Spring term starts

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