

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

Dear Parents /Carers,

It's been a great start to our second half term in school and the children are busy learning new and exciting things every day. They have returned with positive attitudes and kindness.

## Anti-Bullying Week

We will be kicking off anti bullying week with 'Odd Socks Day' on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November. The children (and staff!) are welcome to come into school and show off their fabulous odd socks. Odd Socks Day is designed to be fun! It's an opportunity to encourage everyone to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique! This fits in with our Hexham Way perfectly as we value and celebrate uniqueness.

## Northumberland Library

Northumberland Library has a free digital library that can be accessed all the time. It contains eBooks and eAudiobooks for both adults and children. If your child isn't already library members you can join online at the library website and get access straight away. The website is <https://northumberland.spydus.co.uk>. There are also over 300 eAudio titles for children with lots of popular authors featuring such as Julia Donaldson, Liz Pichon and Roald Dahl.

## School Fleece Body Warmers

Our school uniform suppliers Salto are now selling school fleece body warmers for £11.50. You can order them direct from Salto at their website below. I'm happy to collect them for any parents and bring them to school to be collected if anyone orders one. This is an optional item but maybe useful for your child to wear as an added extra to keep warm in our cold classrooms if you haven't an alternative.

[https://www.saltouk.com/index.php?route=product/category&path=59\\_185](https://www.saltouk.com/index.php?route=product/category&path=59_185)

## Class One Travel back in time

Class 1 had a fantastic virtual meeting with Beamish Museum and learnt about toys from the past.



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

**Reception: Rowan - confidence**

**Year 1: Ella W - confidence**

**Year 2: Jessica CT - ambitious**

**Year 3: James D.S - Respectful**

**Year 4: David - Resilience**

**Reading at home certificates go to:  
Max, Ella A, George, Isabella and  
Bobby**



## WEATHER FORECAST



The weather for the week ahead brought to you by Oliver and George in Year 4

Tomorrow will be warm with temperatures up to 12 C but this will turn cloudy and rainy on Sunday. Next week there will be highs of 13C but lows of 8C. Rain clouds from Wednesday; remember coats, rain hats and boots.

For a bit of early festive excitement – Fenwick's in Newcastle will be unveiling their much-anticipated Christmas windows on Sunday 8th November 2020 starting at 6.45pm.





**Stay safe**  
@ Hexham First

A massive thank you for wearing face coverings at drop off and pick up. We are so lucky and grateful that we have such supportive and safe parents. I know it's hard to keep up with the constant changes in safety measures and local / national Covid 19 lockdowns. I'm very proud of how we have come together as a school community to support each other and do our bit to keep safe and protect the more vulnerable.



**Class Three are enjoying their Draw with Rob lessons every week.**

## SCHOOL DIARY

### NOVEMBER

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>** World Kindness day

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup>** Anti Bullying Week

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup>** Odd Socks Day

### DECEMBER

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup>** – Our virtual Christmas Advent Calendar begins

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>** - Christmas Lunch

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup>** Christmas Jumper Day

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup>** Early Years Christmas Party

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup>** Year 3 & 4 Christmas Party

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup>** Year 1 & 2 Christmas Party



**Weekly attendance is fantastically high in school. Well done and thank you everyone**

Week 1	97 %	<b>Week 8</b>	<b>99 %</b>
Week 2	96 %		
Week 3	95 %		
Week 4	99 %		
Week 5	98 %		
Week 6	99 %		
Week 7	98 %		

### Wellbeing Tip of the week

To keep your energy levels up and stay positive, spend some time on creative activities. Do some DIY, arts and crafts or knitting or take an online course.