

# Ovingham CE First School Weekly News

20th October 2022

### **Dates at a Glance**

Tues 1st Nov— Applications Portal for new Starters (Sept. 2023) opens.

Tues 1st Nov— Police visit to Reception class

Tues 1<sup>st</sup> Nov – Year 3 to visit Prudhoe Library to see Illuminated Sheep

Tues 1<sup>st</sup> Nov – Year 2 Carbon Monoxide Visit

Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Nov – Remembrance Service

Fri 4th Nov— Guy Fawkes Lunch

Fri 4th Nov— Halloween Disco

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Nov – Y1 to attend NUFC Multi-skills Festival at Ponteland High School.

Tues 8<sup>th</sup> Nov – New Starters 2023 Open Evening

Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Nov-

Remembrance Service

Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Nov – Open the Book Assembly

Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Nov – New Starters Open Evening

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Nov – Children in Need

Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov – Reception Parent Lunch

## **Harvest Service**

Thank you to everyone who attended our Harvest Festival at St Mary's church yesterday. It was lovely to once again see families and friends joining in our festival. All the children sang and read beautifully, we especially enjoyed the choirs first public performance of the year.

Our collection for Hexham West Food bank has been another success and the Food Bank are delighted with the donations. These are being collected after half term, thank you to everyone for your support this year.

## **Non-Uniform Day**

Our last day of half-term has been non-uniform with donations to the PTA of chocolate exchanged for the opportunity of coming in our ordinary clothes. The chocolate tombola at the Christmas Fair should be a good one.

## **Prudhoe Miners Race**

The Prudhoe Miners Race took place on 16<sup>th</sup> October after a 2-year hiatus. Several of our children took part in the Juniors Race and we'd like to say a big well done to all of them.





## Remembrance

When we return to school after the

half-term holiday we will be starting to sell poppies in school, proceeds to go to the British Legion. We will be talking to the children in school about why we take time to remember at this time of year. The children (with the help of Miss Allen!) will be creating a remembrance display in the school hall (photographs to follow). We also hope to take the children to church on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November for a short remembrance service (children only).

## **Visits and Outings**

On Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November children in Reception and Year 2 will be welcoming visitors to school. Reception will have a visit from the Police who will be telling them how to keep themselves safe and also how the police look after us. Year 2 will have a visit from Northern Gas Works who will be telling them how to stay safe from carbon monoxide with the help of Safety Seymour details of this subject can be found at <a href="https://safetyseymour.co.uk/">https://safetyseymour.co.uk/</a>



Y3 will be visiting Prudhoe Library to see the 'Illuminated Sheep'. The Lindisfarne Gospels are currently on display at Newcastle's Laing Art Gallery. Throughout this year, there have been attractions across the North East inspired by the spectacular illuminated manuscripts. The art trail across North-umberland includes a full flock of 30 life -sized illuminated sheep, created by artist Deepa Mann-Kler. One of these sheep will be on display at the library. We are hoping that this will inspire some fantastic writing opportunities.

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### Clubs:

Karate – Mon 3.10 – 4.10 – open to children from Y1-Y4

Y3 Multi-Skills – Wed 3.10 – 4.10

Whole School Bible Explorers Club 3.10 – 4.10

### **Weekly Events:**

Monday - Guitar Lessons with Mr Newbrook

Wednesday – PE with Newcastle Utd

Thursday - Keyboard Lessons with Mrs Shevlin Further information about the tour can be found here:

https://laingartgallery.org.uk/lindisfarne-gospels-2022



## **Guy Fawkes Lunch**

There will be a special lunch on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November to celebrate Guy Fawkes Day. All children, including those who normally bring a packed lunch may order a school lunch that day, the cost of the meal for children in Y3 and Y4 will be £2.20 (there is no charge for children in other years and those entitled to free school meals).

## **Halloween Disco**

We will be holding a Halloween Disco for the children on 4<sup>th</sup> November. This will take place during the school day. Children should wear school uniform as normal.

### After School Clubs

Following half-term there will be two after-school clubs taking place, both will take part on Wednesdays:

NUFC – Y3 Multi Skills Club Whole School Bible Explorers Club

### **Smartwatches**

We kindly ask that smartwatches are not worn to school. If your child does want to wear a watch, please ensure that it is an analogue watch or a digital watch which doesn't have access to games or the internet. Thank you.

Please remember to look on the school website at our calendar for the year. All the events we have planned are in there, please remember to check newsletters or letters for precise details. Please note that whilst we have identified dates for events, they may be subject to change for reasons outside our control. However you will be notified and it is always our intention that once something is in the calendar, we expect it to take place at the date or time specified.