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FRIDAY LETTER

Dear parents and carers.

Footie Action

Year 5/6 football team were back in action on Monday night for the district finals of the County Cup. With the top two teams from each of the three venues in the preliminaries making it to this stage, we knew it was going to be pretty tough. The team were once again in great form defensively, conceding only one goal all night, but couldn't find the back of the net in any of their games (despite coming close on many occasions). Four nil-nil draws (we'd be last on Match of the Day!) wasn't enough to see us through but the team will be in good spirits heading into the league games next week. As always, we're so proud of the Crookhill team!

Harvest Celebration

We would like to thank everyone for coming along to our Harvest Festival on Tuesday, I'm sure you will agree that the children delivered their lines and sang beautifully throughout both performances. The singing was fantastic and there were some real Crookhill harvest favourites amongst the songs. Once again, the generosity of the Crookhill Community has amazed us and the People's Kitchen were absolutely delighted with your donations, especially in such times of hardship. Please check out the pictures on our Facebook page and a massive thank you to you all.

Out and About

This week Year 5 and Year 6 both visited the Metro Centre for careers themed workshops hosted by Newcastle United Foundation. The children explored key skills needed for the work place before visiting Wagamama's (Y6) and The Entertainer (Y5) where they asked the store managers questions about their roles. Both workshops were well received by the children and we really enjoyed using public transport to get there! Children were, as always, super sensible and well behaved throughout the visit.

National Poetry Day

It was National Poetry Day yesterday, a day to enjoy listening to, reading, writing or being inspired by poetry. This year's theme is 'Counting' and the children in Year 2 and KS2 loved the poem we shared in assembly. Check out our Facebook page for the 'garden pea poem' challenge set by Mrs Kelly and lots of the themes and topics covered in class.

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Important Notice for Year 6 Parents

If your child is due to start secondary school in September 2025, on-line applications must be submitted by 31 October 2024. **Apply on-line at: www.gateshead.gov.uk/schooladmissions**

If you do not submit your form by this date, you will reduce your chances of gaining a place at one of your chosen schools. You should list three school preferences on your application, applying for only one school **does not** improve your chances of gaining a place at this school.

For the September 2024 intake, several children were refused their preference school, despite having a sibling already at the school they applied to, as their application was submitted late. There were also children that were offered a school place, some distance from their home address as their parents failed to apply.

Secondary school places are extremely limited across Gateshead, and parents must apply before the closing date.

A reminder that next Friday is school photography day and individual, family and class groups will be taken. Full uniform next Friday please.

Have a good weekend and we'll see you all on Monday.

Yours sincerely,
Miss K McCormack
Head Teacher

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