



FRIDAY LETTER

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Attendance and Punctuality

We would like to remind all parents and carers of the importance of ensuring children arrive at school on time each morning and remain in school until the end of the school day. Every minute of learning matters, and arriving late or leaving early can mean children miss valuable teaching, learning opportunities and important parts of their daily routine. We kindly ask that children are not collected before the end of the school day unless absolutely necessary. Wherever possible, medical and other appointments should be arranged outside school hours. Where early collection is requested for a medical appointment, we may ask for supporting evidence, such as an appointment letter or text confirmation. Thank you for your continued support in helping us make every school day count!



SPOOKS AND SPARKLES DISCO

Excitement is building for our ever-popular Spooks and Sparkles Disco, which will take place on **Thursday 22nd October, from 4.00pm to 5.30pm. Entry is £2 per child, payable on the door**, and there will also be a variety of food, drink and other items available for pocket money prices (most items are around 50p to £1). Please bring coins rather than notes and use a purse or wallet to keep your pennies safe!



Hot Dogs



Cupcakes



Crisps



Biscuits



Glow sticks and halloween novelty items



Juice

Polite parking reminder:

We have had further complaints from residents about inconsiderate parking around school. Please can we remind anyone who is picking up or dropping off by car to park with care and courtesy and not block entrances and exits to driveways.

Thank you for helping us to be respectful and considerate neighbours within our local community



Children's Book Festival

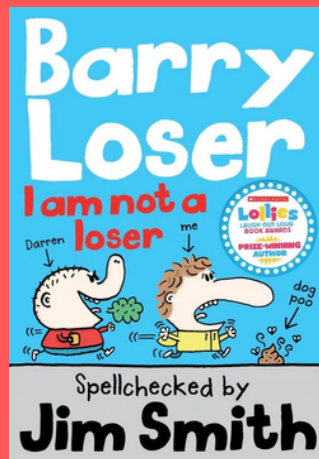
We are delighted to announce that, as part of the Northern Children's Book Festival, organised by Gateshead Libraries, we will be welcoming Jim Smith, author of the hugely popular Barry Loser series, to our school on Monday 16th November!

Our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils will have the fantastic opportunity to take part in an exciting workshop with Jim, followed by a Q&A session where they can find out more about his books, characters and life as an author.

There will also be an opportunity for children to purchase a book and have it personally signed by Jim Smith.

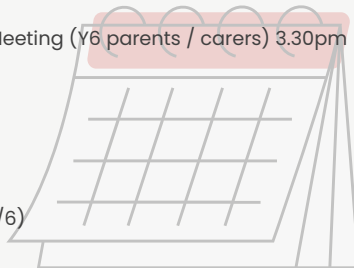
Further details about purchasing books will be shared soon.

We are really looking forward to this special event and hope it will inspire our children to develop an even greater love of reading and writing!



Dates for your diary:

- 20.10.26** - Pantomime in school / Residential Meeting (Y6 parents / carers) 3.30pm
- 21.10.26** - Year 2 Class assembly 2.45pm
- 22.10.26** - Spooks and Sparkles Disco
- 23.10.26** - End of half term
- 26.10.26** - 30.10.26 - HALF TERM HOLIDAY
- 2.11.26** - INSET day (school closed to pupils)
- 3.11.26** - School reopens
- 6.11.26** - Remembrance event at Stargate (Y5/6)
- 11 - 13.11.26** - Year 6 Residential to Robinwood
- 13.11.26** - Children in Need
- 16.11.26** - Anti-bullying week / Road safety week / last week for clubs
- 16.11.26** - Author Visit to Year 5/6 and Anti-Bullying Workshop for KS2
- 19.11.26** - Pedestrian Training - Year 3 (classroom session)
- 20.11.26** - Friendship Friday
- 24.11.26** - 25.11.26 - Parent Consultations
- 26.11.26** - Pedestrian Training - Year 3 (outdoor session)
- 28.11.26** - Festivals of Light Day
- 30.11.26** - Anti-Bullying Assembly for Parents - details to follow (PM)
- 2.12.26** - Flu Immunisations
- 3.12.26** - Pedestrian Training - Year 3 (outdoor session)
- 4.12.26** - Christmas Fair
- 14.12.26 / 15.12.26** - Reception / KS2 Nativity
- 16.12.26** - KS2 Carol Service at Holy Cross Church 10am / KS2 Party (pm) / KS1 party day
- 17.12.26** - Music Workshop
- 18.12.26** - Winter Jumper Day - Last Day of Term



Some of our staff completed the Night Shine Walk for Cancer Research on Saturday night

Charity Walkers

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our Frosty Friday fundraiser! Thanks to your generosity, we raised a fantastic £140 for Cancer Research UK! The fundraising continued on Saturday evening, when some of our wonderful staff took part in the Shine Night Walk, completing a 10km walk around Newcastle to raise awareness and funds for this important cause. We are incredibly proud of everyone who took part and grateful to our whole school community for their kindness and support. Well done, everyone!

Football Club

Just a quick reminder that Monday was our last football club for this year (no club on Monday 19th). We will resume training in the spring as soon as the playing conditions allow!



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Half Term Family Fun

Monday 26 – Friday 30 October

**20%
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family activities
all week

Week-long offers

**MONDAYS &
WEDNESDAYS**

Soft play

£4.50

TUESDAYS & FRIDAYS

Children's
swimming

£3.00

ALL WEEK

Junior day pass

£3.60 per
session

ALL WEEK • BEST VALUE

Family Fun Bundle

A one-hour swim plus 90 minutes of soft play – or Halloween inflatables if you visit on Thursday 29 October.

1 adult +
1 child

£11.80

1 adult +
2 children

£19.20

Spooky special events

Mon 26 Oct • 10:00 – 11:30am

Family Fun Activity Morning

- Monster Mash Disco
- Spooky Sports
- Halloween Treasure Hunt

Free session

Donations welcome. We suggest £5 to help towards the running of the centre, but please give whatever you can.

Thu 29 Oct • 10:00am – 1:00pm

Halloween Dryside Inflatables

10:00 – 11:00am SEN-only session

11:00am – 1:00pm Open session

Come in costume! Themed music and on-the-spot prizes for the best dressed.

£6.50 per child