



Nether Kellet Community Primary School

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Events....

30th June—5th July Arran residential
5th July—last uniform order for delivery to school.
18th July 9:30 Leavers' assembly
19th July—Break up at 1:30pm

Class assemblies on Fridays at 2:30pm: Oak 12th July
We look forward to seeing you there!

Nether Kellet News

THIS TERM

We have had a busy term as always with learning and some “quizzes” that some year groups have to do. The Y4 children did very well with their multiplication tables screening with a large number scoring full marks or almost full marks. Their tables are crucial to their maths in Beech Class and beyond so it will be important to keep practising them to keep them sharp and practice any tricky facts! Y1s also did well with their phonics and, once again, the more reading they do, the more they will be prepared for Year 2 and beyond. All of the children have been learning about different cultures around the world this term and, more recently, Beech Class have been learning lots about Scotland and Arran ahead of our trip there next week. It is great to hear the children talk excitedly about this adventure. Although a few are understandably a little apprehensive, we know they will have a great time!

STEM Learning

Beech Class enjoyed a STEM learning session with Lancaster University learning all about sustainable growth of crops and devising planting structures that go vertically into the air! They worked very well as teams to achieve this.



Parking Outside School

I have recently been alerted to a worrying “near miss” on the corner of Bridge Road where we ask people not to park. One of our younger children was crossing that road with a parent when a parked car started reversing, apparently with no awareness of the child behind them. Fortunately the parent realised and took evasive action. Please can I remind everyone to drive, park and manoeuvre as safely as possible and to avoid parking on the corners of Bridge Road or near to school. Please remember that pedestrians have right of way over cars manoeuvring and the ideal would be for parents to park further away and walk to keep everyone safe!

Miss Metcalfe

Rachel Metcalfe has been a teacher in Sycamore Class for 11 years and, for 9 of those, shared the class with Pearl Bowker as half of a great team. Recently, she has been working just one day with us while she pursues art-related work nearer home in the NW Lakes. She has now taken the decision to focus entirely on her art tutoring work and therefore sadly will be leaving our school at the end of this term. She has been a brilliant member of our team, highly committed to her teaching and leading computing and DT, always flexible and contributing so much to art in Sycamore and art club. She will certainly be missed by us all. She will be in school on her usual Wednesdays for the rest of the term so you will be able to wish her good luck for the future as we all do.

Be inspired.....have belief and grow



Sports

We have once again had a busy term with competitive sports. The Kellet Cup was a great event as always and well supported by parents from both schools. The games were all close and everyone tried their best and played with good sportsmanship. Our girls' team won their game so won that trophy. Our senior and junior boys' teams both narrowly lost their matches and the Allstars friendly match was also won by Over Kellet on this occasion. Thank you to our PTA once again for providing a great refreshment stall and raising more money for school, it was a great success!

Our Year 1 and 2 football team took part in a tournament which was very exciting for them. They took it very seriously and came back proud of their achievements, Y2s came 3rd and Y1s 4th. Charlie Hodgson was given a special trophy for being the star player of the tournament; showing great sportsmanship and kindness towards others throughout!

Our Y3/4 athletics team competed at Arkholme and came 4th overall. They did their best with all events and were a credit to our school in their behaviour.

Sports Day was a great success and the children took part with a great spirit of fun and trying their best. It was lovely to see so many parents and grandparents there and we were very lucky with the weather!

Dog Safety

The dog safety workshops went very well

and Sam from the Dogs' Trust was very impressed by the maturity and involvement of all the children and the contributions they made to the sessions. They all seemed to remember lots of top tips for being safe around dogs when we chatted in assembly!

Garden Shed

Just thought it worth asking if anyone hears

of a garden shed that is a reasonable price, please could you let us know. The current one is 4' x 6' but we may be able to fit a different size in if it's not enormous! (Ours is in danger of falling down as it is very old!)

Guitar Lessons

You may be aware that we have a brilliant guitar tutor, Pete, who has come into our school for many years now to teach children individually and in small groups. He is very good with the children, gets to know them individually and has many ways to help them to get the hang of playing. Rebecca Starr is sending out a letter specifically about Y3/4 children who have learned ukelele this year and may want to pursue a similar instrument going forward. The guitar lessons are, however, available for any age of child. Pete has spare guitars and can advise on good models to purchase once parents wish to buy one. The cost of lessons is £5.50 per weekly lesson and these take place during school time on Tuesday afternoons. Please ask Vicky in the office if you are interested.



Bikeability

Our Year 5 and 6 children did a great job developing their skills on bikes. Most of the class navigated their way around local roads and practised a range of manoeuvres at junctions and around parked cars to equip them for being safe on our roads. Others went from being non-riders to being proficient at riding around obstacles on the playground, developing their balance and coordination so they were riders by the end of the week. Well done Beech Class and thank you to parents for bringing bikes in!



Musical Theatre Club Performed brilliantly in assembly!

Best wishes, Nicki Bradbury

Term Dates: Please try to avoid holidays in term time as they can't be authorised except in exceptional circumstances.
Summer—Break up Fri 19th July 1:30pm
Back to school— Tues 3rd Sept

Please see our website for more dates.