

FORDLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Y3-Y6 Performance at Whitley Bay Playhouse:



On Tuesday evening, following a few weeks of after school rehearsals, 46 children from Y3 to Y6 took their place on the stage at the Whitley Bay Playhouse and brought the house down! They opened the second half of the evening, and needed no introductions! Their presence, enthusiasm and entertainment were second to none on the night and we are so very proud of them!



Upcoming Dates for Your Calendar

We will share upcoming dates on here for any events, meetings, term dates etc so that you don't miss anything. Calendar dates will also be updated on our school website and you will be able to find them by following this link:

<https://www.fordleyschool.com/diary/grid/2024/09/>

- 2nd December - 3DF Parent/Carer consultations with class teacher
 - 2nd December - 5NT Parent/Carer consultations with class teacher
 - 3rd December - 5LS Parent/Carer consultations with class teacher
 - 3rd December - Reception visit to the Rising Sun
 - 3rd December - 3DF Library visit
 - 4th December - 3AW Parent/Carer consultations with class teacher
 - 4th December - RHN Parent/Carer consultations with class teacher
 - 5th December - 4LH Parent/Carer consultations with class teacher
 - 5th December - 4DG Library visit
 - 9th December - 2EM Parent/Carer consultations with class teacher
 - 9th December - Nursery Parent/Carer consultations with class teacher
 - 9th December - Reception Christmas performances (9:15 and 2:15)
 - 9th December - Design Technology week
 - 10th December - 1CY Parent/Carer consultations with class teacher
 - 10th December - 6CS Parent/Carer consultations with class teacher (**new date**)
 - 10th December - Y3 and Y4 Christmas performances (9:15 and 2:15)
 - 11th December - 4DG Parent/Carer consultations with class teacher
 - 11th December - 6JF Parent/Carer consultations with class teacher
 - 11th December - Y1 and Y2 Christmas performances (9:15 and 2:15)
 - 11th December - Nursery Nativity (10:30)
 - 12th December - 2BH Parent/Carer consultations with class teacher
 - 12th December - RZB Parent/Carer consultations with class teacher
 - 12th December - Y5 and Y6 Christmas performance (9:15 and 2:15)
 - 16th December - Nursery and Reception Christmas parties
 - 17th December - Y1 and Y2 Christmas parties
 - 18th December - 1JR Parent/Carer consultations with class teacher
 - 18th December - Y3 and Y4 Christmas parties
 - 19th December - Y5 and Y6 Christmas parties
 - 20th December - Rocksteady performance to families (10:00)
 - 20th December - Christmas jumper day
 - 20th December - Last day of term
- 23rd December - CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
- 6th January - Training day
 - 7th January - School re-opens for a new term

TERM DATES - these can be found by clicking this link to our website <https://www.fordleyschool.com/term-dates/> or by going to:

- www.fordleyschool.com
- click on 'Menu' then 'Parents' then 'Attendance Matters' then 'Term Dates'

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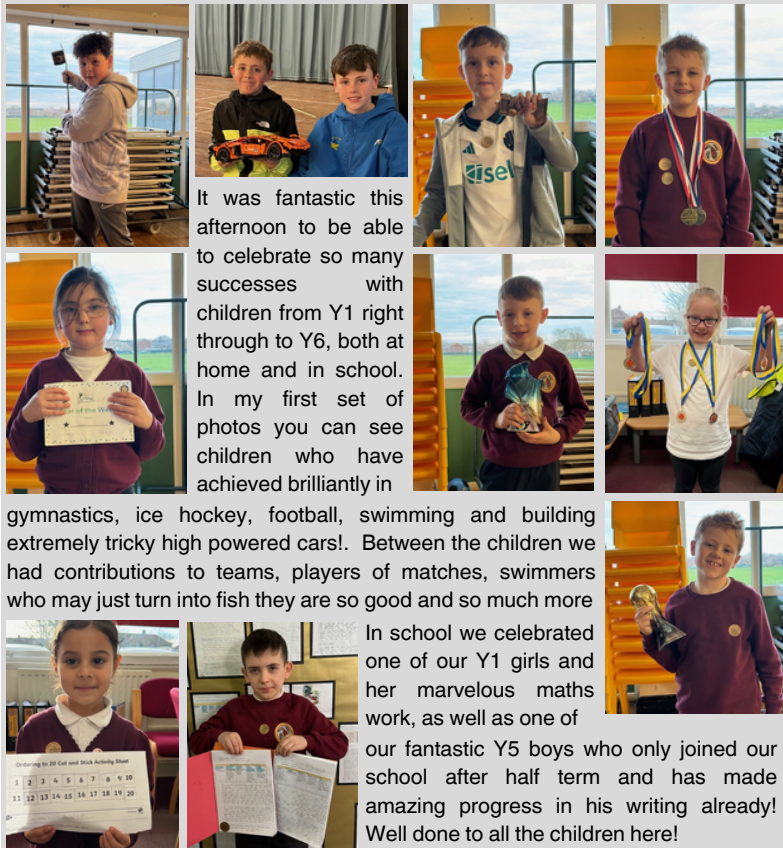
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Dobbies Christmas Tree Prize

Mrs Butler, our School Business Manager, entered Fordley into a competition to win a Christmas tree due to the challenging year it has been for the school as a whole. We were over the moon to receive the news that we won so Mrs Butler and I took our Young Leadership Team (four children from Y6) to go and choose the tree from Dobbies Garden Centre in Ponteland today. They had set themselves the challenge of finding the bushiest tree so that it will hold the Christmas decorations really well. Hunting through the trees, with Alex from Dobbies, they selected the perfect tree, helped to net it and push it back to the van for Mrs Wilkinson's brother in law to transport back to school for us. It will be decorated on Monday and displayed in our main entrance.

Thank you so much Dobbies!

Amazing Achievements in School and at Home



It was fantastic this afternoon to be able to celebrate so many successes with children from Y1 right through to Y6, both at home and in school. In my first set of photos you can see children who have achieved brilliantly in

gymnastics, ice hockey, football, swimming and building extremely tricky high powered cars!. Between the children we had contributions to teams, players of matches, swimmers who may just turn into fish they are so good and so much more

In school we celebrated one of our Y1 girls and her marvelous maths work, as well as one of our fantastic Y5 boys who only joined our school after half term and has made amazing progress in his writing already! Well done to all the children here!

Christmas Performance Tickets:

Tickets will be available on Monday (2nd December) from the school office for the following performances:

Reception Nativity

- Monday 9th December – 9:15am
- Monday 9th December – 2:15pm

Y1 and Y2 Nativity—'Little Angel Gets Her Wings'

- Wednesday 11th December – 9:15am
- Wednesday 11th December – 2:15pm

Y3 and Y4 Nativity—'A Midwife Crisis'

- Tuesday 10th December – 9:15am
- Tuesday 10th December – 2:15pm

Y5 and Y6 Performance – 'I'm Gonna Shine'

- Thursday 12th December – 9:15am
- Thursday 12th December – 2:15pm

A maximum of two tickets per child will be allocated in the first instance (to allow for both parents to attend). Spare tickets will be available from Thursday 5th December.



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Drop Off and Pick Up Reminders

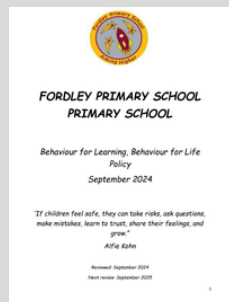
- **Start of the school day** - all classroom doors close at 8:55. It is essential we keep to this time to make sure that children are in the building, or classrooms, before the gates are locked just after 9am (to make sure we don't lock any adults in!). Classroom doors in The Village will be locked at 8:55 so we ask that no parent/carer tries to open a classroom door for your child to go in. Mrs Miller and Mrs Boyes are usually on that yard and can take your child into the classroom for you if you miss the 8:55 cut off.
- **End of the school day** - if there will be a different adult than normal collecting your child at the end of the school day you must ring or email school as we record all changes to collections and then give them to the class teacher. Children will not be handed to any adults, who are not their typical collection adult, unless you inform us directly.

This week's Character Skill:

Our Character Skills sit at the heart of our Behaviour for Learning; Behaviour for Life Policy (a copy of this policy can be found on our website by following this link: <https://fordley.secure-primariesite.net/policies/>)

The Character Skills cover:

- R - Resilience
- E - Empathy
- S - Self-Aware
- P - Positivity
- E - Excellence
- C - Communication
- T - Teamwork



This week's Character Skill was **Being Courageous** and our Song of the Week was **Waka Waka** by Shakira



citizens advice North Tyneside

DROP-IN SERVICE AVAILABLE AT FORDLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL, EVERY TUESDAY 2.30-3.45.

- Do you require advice about your benefit entitlement?
- Would you like to check that you are receiving everything you should be?
- Do you want to check your entitlement to free school meals?
- Are you having difficulty managing your bills due to the increases in cost of living (i.e. energy/utilities)?
- Would you like help managing your debts and looking at options available?
- We can also help with other issues such as housing, employment and consumer.

Call into the drop in service to enquire further.

Alternatively, ring 0191 2704464 and ask for Caren or Sarah or email on the contacts below:

caren.thompson@ntcab.org.uk
sarah.skipsey@ntcab.org.uk

Please ensure you state the name of the school your child attends in the message.

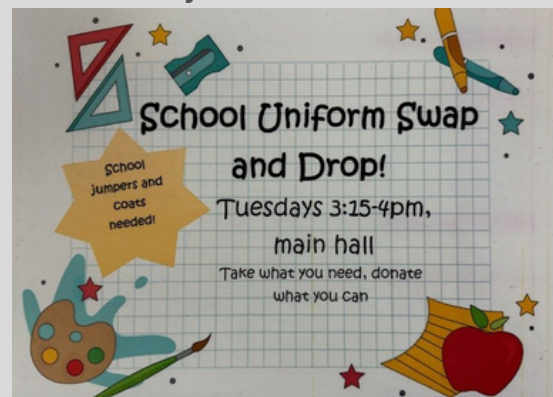
Just a reminder that we have North Tyneside Citizen's Advice in school on Tuesdays from 2:30pm. You can call in to chat with Caren or her contact details can be found below.

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School Uniform - Tuesdays 3:15 in the hall:

Every Tuesday we now host a school uniform 'swap and drop' where you can bring uniform which is too small for your child and help yourself to any spare uniform which has been shared with us.



Other messages and requests:

ASDA Cashpot - FINAL TOTAL

Thank you so much to everyone who shops at Asda and has managed to add to our very large cashpot.

There is still 1 day left to go but we now have a grand total of

**Raised
£813.26 so
far!!!**

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CASHPOT FOR SCHOOLS

Cashpot for Schools is our mission to support primary schools across the UK.

Every time you shop with Asda Rewards from 2nd September to 30th November, we will donate 0.5% of your total spend to a primary school of your choice. Plus, Asda will pop £1 into your school's Cashpot every time someone opts in.

Even more, Asda will get your school started with a further £50. To redeem this, make sure to shop & scan and remind your school to sign up with Parentkind.

For more info, please see our **Terms & Conditions**.

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