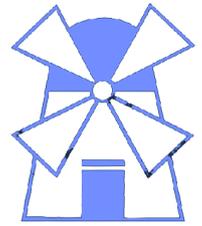




Little Miller's News



The Newsletter of Fulwell Infant School Academy

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Mrs Angus's message...

Dear parents,

I write to update you with regard to our position as a single academy. As parents are aware, the position for single academies, however successful they may be, has become less popular, within the governments ever changing education agenda. For many months we have been trying to find a school that shares our belief and high expectations for children and the educational values that underpin everything we do. This has proved very difficult. Within Sunderland, schools are pairing up or moving into even larger partnerships within MAT's. Eventually, we have found a Durham school that would like to join with us. That school is Ouston Primary, in Chester-Le-Street. Ouston is a small primary school with classes from reception to year 6. The Head teacher and governors are keen that we will offer our expertise and support with the development of their Early Years and key stage 1 as they intend to create a nursery class. They will bring to us key stage 2 experience, from which our staff and children will equally benefit. We expect the process of Ouston joining our partnership to be lengthy. Whilst this is happening, we will remain open to any school that shares our philosophies and would like to join the partnership. The ideal was a partnership with 3 schools. I will continue to update parents as things progress.

Last week saw our settling in parent meetings. Thank you to parents for attending and to the staff for whom it was a very long day. In nursery, Mrs Bell and the team held stay and play sessions in which parents and children made playdoh. The children LOVED having Mum's and Dad's to share their nursery time and many smiles were evident throughout the nursery.

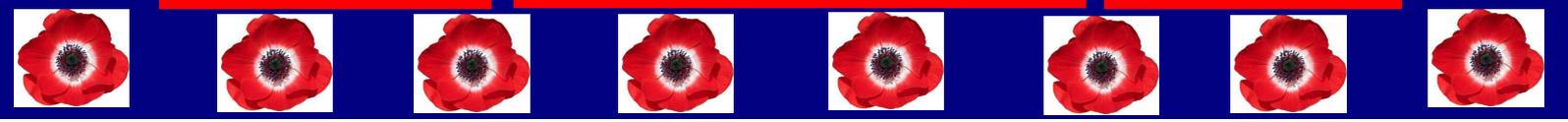
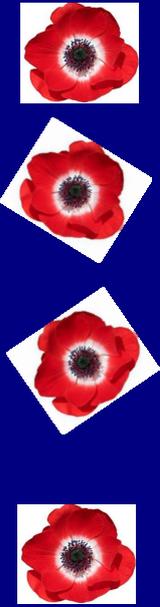
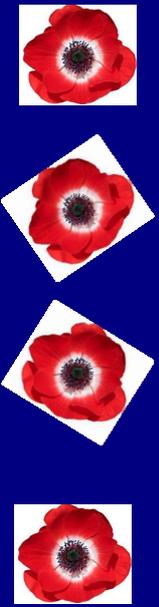
We have had visitors in school this week who were very impressed with the children's behaviour and the amazing standards they achieve in their work- WELL DONE!

Wendy Angus

British

On Friday 11th November 2016, at 11 o'clock, we observed the 2 minutes silence altogether. Some of us made our own poppies in remembrance for those who died for our country.

Values



Class 8 fly high to Newcastle Airport...



Mrs Green, Mrs Cockton and children in class 8 have been discovering all about transport in the last few weeks. The children have been very excited, designing their own passports and travelling to amazing imaginary destinations in their classroom travel agents. The perfect opportunity came along this week as they travelled on the metro from Seaburn to Newcastle airport and watched planes come in to land and take off to different destinations. As the photographs below show, they thoroughly enjoyed the visit.



Science week

We are planning to hold a science week next year, during the week of 20th March 2017. We would love to invite any parent who is in a profession that has a scientific background, to come and talk to children. Occupations in the medical field, engineering, working with chemicals, plants or animals or even having unusual animal pets would be very welcome. Please contact school through email at fulwell.infant@schools.sunderland.gov.uk if you would be able to support the planning of this important weeks events.



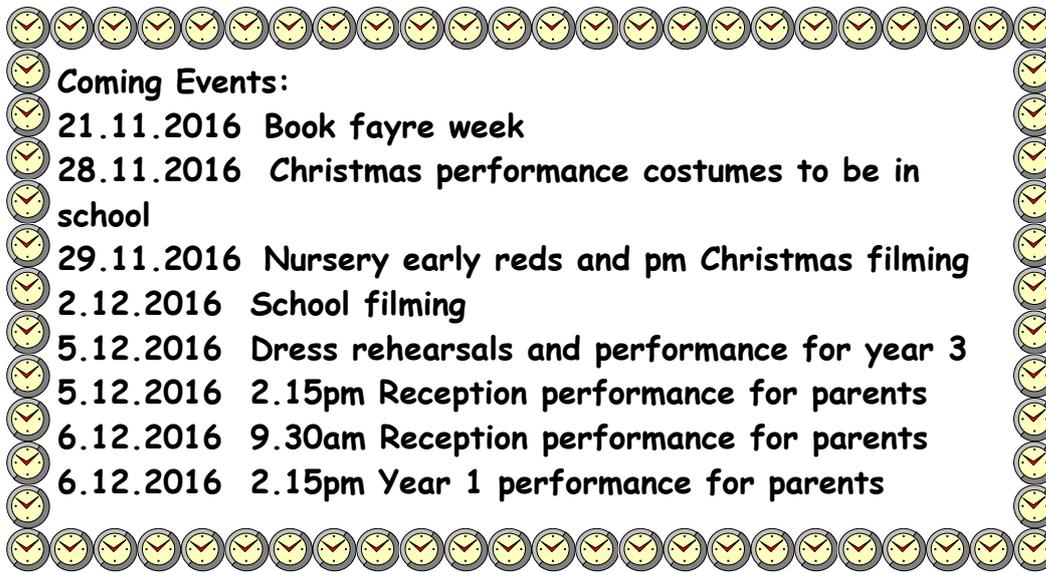
SOFIA news

Raffle tickets will be coming home on Monday with news of the fabulous prizes and how to take part. Our fund raising target for this year's activities is £6000 towards playground equipment, so we really hope you and your families will take part. Thanks to those who brought in nativity costumes - we managed to match a few. If you have not heard by Monday, we could not match your request. We are also looking for volunteers to help scan books into the new library system. If you can help with this, simply come to the office after morning drop off any day next week (21 - 25 Nov).



Birthdays- up to 18/11/16

Congratulations children. We hope you have a very enjoyable day!
 Kate Dixon
 William Hatton
 Laila-Fae Marshall
 Morgan Strong
 Archie Dingwall
 Evan Mowbray
 Maanashi Raj
 Poppy Cook
 Phoebe Thompson
 Isabella Hodgson



Coming Events:

- 21.11.2016 Book fayre week
- 28.11.2016 Christmas performance costumes to be in school
- 29.11.2016 Nursery early reds and pm Christmas filming
- 2.12.2016 School filming
- 5.12.2016 Dress rehearsals and performance for year 3
- 5.12.2016 2.15pm Reception performance for parents
- 6.12.2016 9.30am Reception performance for parents
- 6.12.2016 2.15pm Year 1 performance for parents