

# Walton & Lees Hill CE Primary School 28th April Fortnightly Forum



### This Fortnight at School!

Our Topics are... Swifter, higher, stronger and Europe, Explorers and Railways

We have been reading... A Tale of Two Feathers and Ice Trap

#### School Lunches

We are enjoying our healthy school lunches from Bewcastle School and getting to know Mrs Blair and Mrs Little, as they bring our lunches to school and serve them to us.

The new system is working well and the children are all enjoying the meals!

### Movie Night

Our Movie Night that was scheduled for May 5th has been postponed due to other local events taking place in Walton.

We will reschedule this as soon as possible!

# Coronation Party

We would like to invite you to our Coronation Party on May 5th.

At 1-2:30 children will be playing party games and doing craft activities.

From 2:30 we will be having our party tea and at 3pm we invite parents, carers, friends and family to join us for tea, cake and our Celebration Worship.





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### Nursery News

Our learning theme this fortnight has been 'In The Garden' and children have been fully immersed in it. Thanks to the wonderful sunshine we've had, there has been lots of opportunities for planting flowers, sowing seeds, planting our hanging baskets and exploring the outdoor areas of the school.

We have enjoyed delving into lots of different stories about the garden. These include Grandpa's Garden, Jack and the Beanstalk, The Tree, Jasper's Beanstalk, The Runaway Pea and a selection of garden poems.

We have also made the most of the of the sun by getting out and about, going on observational walks to see and listen to signs of spring. This was even tied this in with a leaflet drop for our quiz night!

Everyone spotted some beautiful trees and flowers and have shown care and patience in their artwork, to recreate these through drawing and painting.

This term we have been lucky enough to welcome Elsie and Holly into Nursery and the school family. It has been lots of fun getting to know them and forming new friendships!

#### Happy Hens

We recently welcomed our Hens back into school. Pupils have been enjoying the responsibility of caring for them and collecting the eggs (perfect for a Coronation quiche!) every morning.

This week our eggs were used to make delicious gingerbread cake at after school club.

#### Defibrillator Training

On Tuesday 23rd May from 7pm—9pm we will be having Defibrillator Training with Bewcastle First Responders. This event is open to all.

The cost of this event will be covered by donations, so please donate what you feel you can.



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#### Junior class news

We have had a busy start to the term, beginning our new learning topics and welcoming Poppy into our class and the school family!

In English and History we have looked at the life of Ernest Shackleton and his expeditions to Antarctica. We read the book Ice Trap to compliment our learning. Everyone has started new books in their Guided Reading groups, with Mrs Rooney's group reading The Skylark's War and Mrs Ritsons' group reading Owen and the Solider.

In Geography we are learning about Europe and have started looking at different countries and their capital cities.

We have started to learn about lino printing in the style of William Morris and the Arts and Crafts movement in our Art lessons.

In our Maths lessons, we have been consolidating our knowledge of place value, including decimals and how to use them when multiplying, dividing and rounding numbers.

## Infant class news

We have started our exciting new topic for the summer term, which is 'Swifter, Higher, Stronger'.

In English, we are looking at birds and stories that have bird characters in them.

We are beginning to look at animals, including humans, and concentrating on what humans need to stay fit and healthy, including looking after our teeth.

In History and Geography, we have been comparing the physical and human features of a city by comparing a city in the UK with one in Europe. We will be introduce to famous explorers and how we can use this information to become History Detectives!

As usual, we are continuing with phonics, speeling and developing our reading skills through fiction and non-fiction books.



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#### Dates for the diary:

Friday 28th April- PTFA quiz night 6.00pm

Monday 1st May - Bank holiday - school closed

Tuesday 2nd May-No Sports Club due to Coach injury

Friday 5th May - School Coronation party

Monday 8th May - Coronation bank holiday- school closed

Tuesday 9th- Friday 12th May - KS2 SATs

Wednesday 17th May - Trip to Beamish - late return to school and Nursery closed

Monday 22nd- Thursday 25th May - KS1 SATs

Friday 26th May- Sports Day

Friday 9th June- Y5 and Y6 7-a-side

Thursday 15th June- Y6 Leavers Service

Friday 23rd- Sunday 25th June- KS2 Residential

#### After School Clubs

Tuesday: Sports Club

Wednesday: Grow your own Grub Club







Caring, sharing and always learning