

# Athlete Visit

The children had a wonderful time on Wednesday 21st when they were visited by GB heptathlete, Lucy Turner. Lucy put the children through their paces with a gruelling fitness circuit before delivering an inspirational assembly. She spoke about overcoming challenges such as being diagnosed with diabetes at the age of 15 to go on to represent her country at various levels of competition and racing against her hero, Jessica Ennis-Hill. The children loved having Lucy in school and Lucy loved being here, commenting on how engaged out children and staff were during the morning. Thanks to your sponsorship, we have also raised money for school sport equipment – thank you!

## Young Lives vs Cancer

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Speaking of inspirational, our magnificent Year 6s raised over £400 for their chosen charity, Young Lives vs Cancer, this month. Selling everything from crocheted clams to beautiful biscuits, the children demonstrated excellent entrepreneurial skills as they worked hard for this excellent charity.



## Chinese New Year

If you were early to pick your child up on 9th February, you might have seen a ferocious dragon parading the school playground!

Don't worry though, this was Year 1 celebrating Chinese New Year. Indeed, it is the year of the Dragon. Our fantastic Year 1 children made the dragon themselves and learned two songs to sing as they paraded in front of their ast<u>onished parents</u>.

## Dodgeball

Some very determined dodgeballers took part in a gruelling competition at the start of the month. They dodged, ducked, dipped, dove and dodged their way past a number of fierce opponents and showed exceptional sportsmanship in the face of adversity. They should be very proud of the way that they represented the school.

## PSHE

The children are following the Jigsaw unit "Healthy Me" this half-term. This unit covers a wide range of topics such as motivation, working well with others, challenging oneself, investigating careers and recognising our own achievements. This fantastic topic will last until February Half-Term. It will help the children further understand the D in our school vision – Determination.

#### Year 5 Visit Stokesley School

Our wonderful Year 5 class enjoyed a morning of science at Stokesley Secondary School. Not only was this an excellent exposure to science using resources we simply don't have here, but it was also a great chance for the children to see the school they may soon be joining. It'll be here before you know it, Year 5!

## PTA / Parent's Football



If anybody would like to join the PTA, please catch me on the gate or contact the school office and we will put you in touch with the organisers. A dedicated group of parents are still meeting on a Monday night to brave the Middlesbrough weather and play football to raise money for the school. If you would like to be a part of this, please come and chat to me and I will point you in the right direction. All are welcome!

## Book Fair

Miss Palmer has organised for Scholastic to send their book fair to school. It will be open between Thursday 29th February and Tuesday 5th March.

Children can buy books with cash during the day, alternatively parents can come and browse with them after school where there will be the option to pay online using a QR code. The more books that we sell, the more money school will get back to go towards books that can be used here. Don't forget, World Book Day is coming up on 7th March, too. Year 1 & 2: Friday 1st March

**Reception: Thursday 29th February** 

Year 3 & 4: Monday 4th March

Year 5 & 6: Tuesday 5th March

### Year 3/4 Play Robin Hood

Rehearsals are well under way for the Year 3 / 4 dramatic extravaganza – Robin Hood! The songs have been echoing through the hallways and are sounding fantastic. The stage it set, and the children are raring to go. It promises to be another excellent performance from Lower Key Stage 2, keeping up our tradition of dramatic brilliance! There are two performances: Tuesday 5th March at 6pm and Wednesday 6th March at 1:30pm. Tickets are available on Parent Pay NOW!

PROTECT OUR CHILDREN! PLEASE DO NOT DRIVE INTO THE SCHOOL GROUNDS Mr R Johnson Interim Headteacher

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