



Week beginning 14th November 2022 – Edition no. 4

Important notices/reminders (A December dates sheet will follow next week)

Chat and Relax – change of time/After School provision

A reminder that Chat and Relax will end at 4:30pm for the remainder of this term.

Wednesday 23rd Nov – there won't be a Dance Club session. We are looking at alternative providers.

In the last week of term (week beginning 19th December) only Mr Hill's Club (on Monday after school provision) will run. Chat and Relax remains as normal.

Holiday requests

If you are needing to take your child out of school during term time for a holiday then you must ask for a holiday request from in advance of travelling. Please see Mrs North in the first instance about this.

Regular visits to St Helen's

We will be starting to visit St Helen's Church regularly this coming term, and will start with every other Tuesday having our Collective Worship at the church instead of our school hall.

Week beginning 14th Nov

- Launch Illuminated lettering/sheep Art project 1 for hall display panels.
- **Monday 14th** - Anti-bullying week – **wear odd socks day; Celebrating differences.**
- Tuesday 15th – Collective Worship taking place at St Helen's
- Wed 16th – Forest Schools activities for KS2 – SESSION 2
- **Friday 18th - Children in Need– Come and have breakfast with your children - available 8:30 – 9:30 in the School Hall. Bacon/sausage sandwiches, tea/coffee. All donations welcome.**
- **Friday 18th - Illuminated sheep cake/biscuit sale** – if you would like to donate some 'sheep-shaped' or 'bright-illuminated' coloured biscuits or cakes, we will be selling these on our Children in Need day too

Week beginning 21st Nov

- Monday 21st Nov - Christmas Card entry in school deadline
- **Wed 23rd Nov - Illuminated sheep mufti day (children to come in dressed in bright colours, 'illuminated', can be glow in the dark, light up, neon, bright, clashing!**
- Launch Illuminated lettering/sheep Art project 2 on the three panels outside
- Friday 25th Nov - Wreath making workshop – 7pm £18 Book through the office

School Council news.....

- After much deliberation our lovely illuminated sheep's name is Star. Well done to Libby who should see Mrs North for her prize!!

School Council news.....

- Please help us to raise money for Children in Need on Friday 18th by joining us for breakfast between 8:30 and 9:30am and/or donating some 'sheep' themed cakes/biscuits that we can sell on that day too.

School Council news.....

- As you will have seen our lovely Star had their home made over the half term break and we have our very own School Council Rep Rebecca and her lovely family who kindly built this for



us.

Thank you so much

for taking the time to do this. Star has been feeling very at home!!

- We've even had some other sheep visitors to the field, being very nosy about who is behind the hurdles!!! See below.
- This week we have been painting bright designs on rocks and wooden discs to add to the surrounding area, and creating a 'school uniform' for Star using felt squares. After Star has 'worn' the 'uniform', then it will transform into a wall hanging we can have in the hall to remind us of its stay with us.



Lindisfarne Gospels Trip

Reception, Year 1, 2, 3 and 4 visited Newcastle in the first week of term to see the Lindisfarne Gospels. The actual Gospels were smaller than the children had thought but were very excited to see the book. There was a room called the Calm room where there were lots of different types of paintings that you had to explore to see if it did make you feel calm. Some of the paints we saw make us feel dizzy too.

Later in the day we visited the huge and beautiful Newcastle Cathedral. We were allowed to explore the area. Then our final task was to complete activities such as object handling; looking at a replica (copy) of

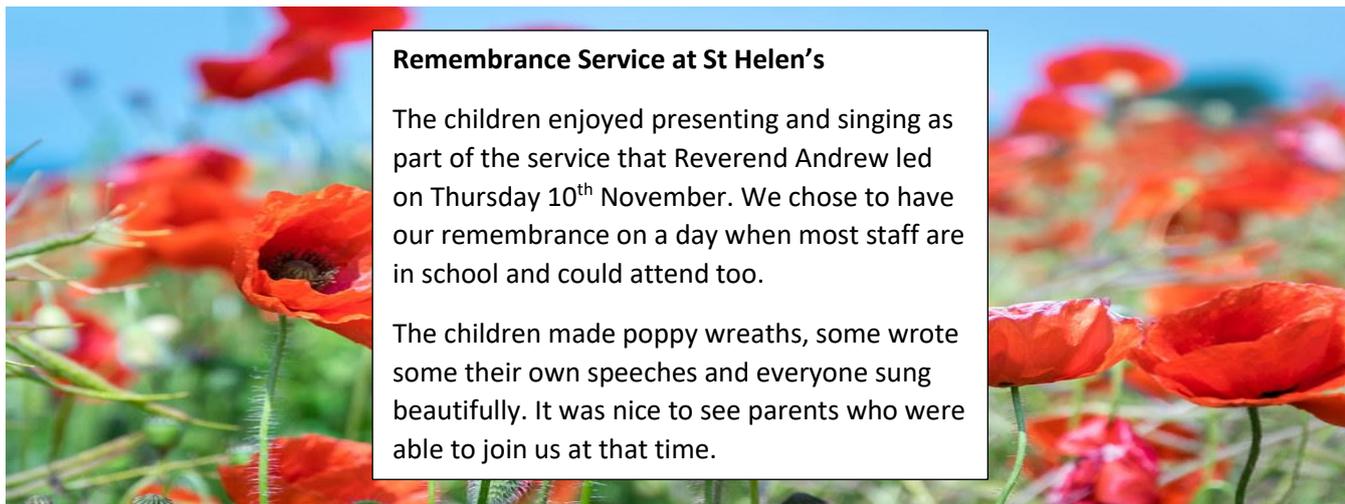
the Gospels and trying on some clothing that people might have worn in those days. Back in school we are now putting together some pages to form our own Whitley Chapel Gospels.

Properly Proud

Term 2 awards so far.....

Freddie, Olympia, Harley, Freddie, Nate, Hazel, Finlay, Eilidh, Matthew,
Charlotte, Rebecca, Matthew, William R, Freddie, Nate, William S

Well done everyone! We really enjoy sharing your proud moments with you!!



Remembrance Service at St Helen's

The children enjoyed presenting and singing as part of the service that Reverend Andrew led on Thursday 10th November. We chose to have our remembrance on a day when most staff are in school and could attend too.

The children made poppy wreaths, some wrote some their own speeches and everyone sung beautifully. It was nice to see parents who were able to join us at that time.

Anti-bullying week



Odd Socks Day – Celebrating differences

The children wore their odd socks with pride on Monday – starting off our Anti-bullying week with discussions about how we are all different and unique.

Community news

parkrun - <https://www.parkrun.org.uk/register/?section=form>

The Tyne Green Junior parkrun is starting on Sunday 27th November, following the successful trial they had a couple of weekends ago. It is a 2 kilometre route for 4-14 year olds, through the park, starting and finishing next to the small bridge beside the playpark. It starts at 9:00 and some staff from school will be there supporting. The parents and children are invited to come along and participate, but the parents don't have to run with them this time if they don't want to, as the juniors are in sight of a marshal at all times. The children will most likely already be registered as most have attended our two parkrun takeovers (the longer 5k route on a Saturday). If they aren't registered, this can be done on the parkrun website. They must remember to bring their unique parkrun barcode with them on the day. Rules and guidelines and further information can be found on the website, and some other information is on the last page.

West Northumberland Foodbank

You can help by donating any of the following food items at **St Helen's Church**: Shortages are shown in **RED**: cereal, **UHT milk**, **sugar**, **tinned meat**, **coffee**, cook in sauces, pasta, tinned fish, tinned tomatoes, tinned pasta, microwave rice pouches, **tinned fruit**, biscuits, **tinned desserts**, instant noodles/instant pasta, **tinned veg**, shampoo, **washing powder / tablets**, **razors (for both men and women)**, bleach, toothpaste, washing up liquid, deodorants, household cleaning sprays, **toilet Rolls**, baby wipes, shower gel, nappies (Size 4 / 5 / 6), men's toiletries.

Thank you for all donations made so far – St Helen's were able to take 3 full car loads to the collection point!

a SHORT, NIXON, REED, BURN, HERDMAN, RILEY, FORSTER,

A CHRISMTAS MURDER MYSTERY

and PORTEUS production

Whitley Chapel
Parish Hall
Friday 9th December
Saturday 10th December
7pm for 7.30pm
Curtain up

gone wrong
contains adult humour!

Bar, Raffle &
Interval Ice Creams!
£7 per person
In aid of Whitley Chapel Parish
Hall & Sleafy Show!

For tickets contact Katherine Halliday Rowell:
07793 061482 katherinehallidayrowell@outlook.com

Other parkrun information (does not replace the further information found on the website).

- Whilst parkrun fully accepts its duty of care and will do everything it can to minimise risk of injury and harm to all participants whilst at parkrun events, it is **parent/guardians who ultimately have responsibility for the welfare of their children.**
- It is not mandatory for a parent/guardian to participate in junior parkruns, but children under the age of 11 must be accompanied to/from the event by a responsible adult, and the responsible adult **must remain in attendance for the duration of the event.**
- junior events are **open and inclusive.** Disabled people may participate wherever it is safe for them to do so. The event team can provide disabled participants with course information in order that the participant (or their parent/guardian) can make an informed decision about their safe participation.
- Whilst more competitive children can use junior parkruns to test themselves against their own time, and against others, **participation should ultimately be for fun,** and we urge all parents/guardians/volunteers not to put children under undue pressure to perform.
- junior parkruns are running, jogging and walking events, and the use of children's scooters, balance bikes, trikes or cycles is prohibited.
- Slower runners are encouraged to seed themselves, by starting towards the back of the group especially if an adult is accompanying them.
- junior parkruns are timed events. Only those aged between 4 to 14 years old completing the course themselves will be given a result.
- Exceptions to this rule are subject to the discretion of the Event and/or Run Director. Examples include those over 14 with special educational needs (SEN) or those with a registered disability, for whom social interaction and physical activity may be difficult but important.
- A strict 'no barcode no result' policy will be enforced.
- Buggies are allowed, subject to course conditions, but only if the adult pushing the buggy is accompanying a junior park-runner. Adults with buggies are urged to position themselves appropriately for the safety and enjoyment of all.
- Dogs or other pets are not allowed to take part in junior park-runs.
- When running, take care on uneven surfaces – whether on grass or on tarmac. Watch out for cyclists, other runners, pedestrians, children, dogs, wildlife, park animals, vehicles, park maintenance work, falling branches, bollards, posts and other obstacles around the course.
- Spectators should keep clear of participants on the course and keep control of any children and dogs.
- Participants should take care near roads and car parks, congregate away from the cars and be careful if driving to/from the event.
- Photography or filming is likely to take place at junior parkrun events. Please see our photos page for more details.
- Lyme Disease is a bacterial infection spread to humans by infected ticks. Consider protecting yourself by wearing repellent when at parkrun events in grassy or wooded areas. See lymediseaseuk.com for further details.