



Newsletter 23rd June 2023



Nursery Miss King



Pupil of the week is Ruby. Ruby has created great self-portraits as part of Sky Arts this week.



Year 3 Miss Gregg

Pupil of the Week is Lillie-Ann Devon for her efforts during Arts Week. She has shown lots of enthusiasm.

Year 5 Miss Hird and Miss Oliver



Pupil of the Week is Jessica Watson for jumping out of her comfort zone during Sky Arts Week and acting (and singing) in front of everyone. 😊

Year 6 Miss Denham

Pupil of the Week is Tarleea for her enthusiasm during Sky Arts week.

Reception Mrs. Smith

Pupil of the week is Buster McCabe. Buster has settled well into Reception class and made lots of friends.

Reception will be visiting the pirate ship at Hartlepool Royal Navy Museum on Tuesday 4th July.

Please can parents ensure that they have completed the online consent form using the link from Class Dojo.

Year 1 Miss Crampton



Pupil of the week is Tyler Doran for excellent enthusiasm on our trip to Hardwick Park when completing minibeast tasks set by rangers.

Year 2 Miss Cameron

Pupil of the Week is Charlie Austin for an excellent diary entry from the perspective of Samuel Pepys.

Our PE day is Tuesday. Please make sure your child comes into school with their PE clothes in a bag.

Our school trip to the Discovery Museum will be on Thursday 6th July. Children are to wear school uniform.

Year 4 Miss Prosser

Pupil of the Week Rossi for having a positive attitude all week and improving his behaviour.



Family Fun Fundraising Afternoon

Thursday 13th July 1:30pm start

We are holding a family fun event on **Thursday 13th July** from 1:30pm-4:00pm. This event is **FREE for everyone to attend**. In addition to all of the free attractions, there will be various stalls available for parents/carers to purchase items, should they wish.

You can pre-purchase a food ticket which will entitle you to a hot dog and drink (per ticket), these tickets are available to purchase from the school office (£1 per ticket).

We are having a non-uniform day on **Wednesday 5th July** in exchange for bottle donations. **Children can bring a bottle (anything non-alcoholic and unopened please) to school in exchange for wearing their own clothes for the day.** These donations are specifically for the tombola at the family fun event - thank you in advance for your support.

We are seeking donations of teddy bears for our 'teddy tombola', which will take place at the family fun event. Please send any teddy bear donations to the school office.

Dates for your Diary

- SEND coffee morning 6th July
- KS2 SAT results 11th July
- Reports to parents 11th July
- Fundraising afternoon 1:30 start 13th July
- EYFS Reception graduation 17th July
- Whole school sports afternoon 18th July
- EYFS Sports 19th July
- Leavers' Production 20th July (10:30am & 1:30pm)
- Break up for summer holiday Friday 21st



Academic year 2023-2024

- Return to school Tuesday 5th September 2023
- Break up for October Half-Term Thursday 26th October 2023
- Return to school Monday November 6th 2023
- Break up for Christmas Holidays Tuesday 19th December 2023
- Return to school Thursday 4th January 2024
- Break up for Spring Half-Term Friday 17th February 2024
- Return to school Monday 26th February 2024
- Break up for Easter holidays Wednesday 27th March 2024
- Return to school Monday 15th April 2024
- May Day Bank Holiday, Monday 6th May 2024 – SCHOOL CLOSED
- Break up for Summer Half-Term Thursday 23rd May 2024
- Return to school Monday 3rd June 2024
- Break up for summer holidays Tuesday 23rd July 2024

Family Lives – Newsletter

The May 2023 edition of the Family Lives newsletter is out now!! Click on the link for news and updates and to subscribe to our monthly newsletter <http://ow.ly/gYPt500InUi>

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Updates

Upcoming Events and Information

Most upcoming events are being advertised on social media [Durham SEND Information, Advice, Support Service | Facebook](#) This is the link to the page and there is also an Autism Hub group [Durham SENDIASS Autism Hub | Facebook](#) which promotes not just the Autism Hub events, but also other events going on across the county.

There is a mailing list for parents/carers to join. To become part of the mailing list, email: ann.connor@durham.gov.uk and ask to be added to the mailing list. You will then get any information emailed directly to you.

Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities and Additional Support Event

Does your child have special educational needs and/or disabilities? Does your child receive additional support from school staff, or outside agencies? Do you feel like you need to speak to a professional and/or Miss Gregg (SENCO) about your child? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then this is the event for you!

We are holding a coffee morning for parents/carers to attend on Thursday 6th July. The event will start at 9am and finish around 11am.

This event will be informal, and it is an opportunity for parents/carers to network with other parents/carers, professionals and Miss Gregg (SENCO). This will be the last event of this academic year, and we have a large number of professionals/services attending (see below). If you are interested in coming along, please speak to Miss Gregg.

Durham County Carers (Parent Carer Support Worker)

SEND Empowering Inclusive Communities (Enabling Inclusive Communities Coordinator)

Sensory Worx (Claire Stirland - Occupational Therapist)

SEND Information Advice and Support Service (SENDIASS) (SENDIASS Officer)

Neurodevelopmental Family Support (SENDIASS Neurodevelopmental Family Support Officer)

Emotional Wellbeing and Effective Learning Team (Senior Specialist Inclusion Support)

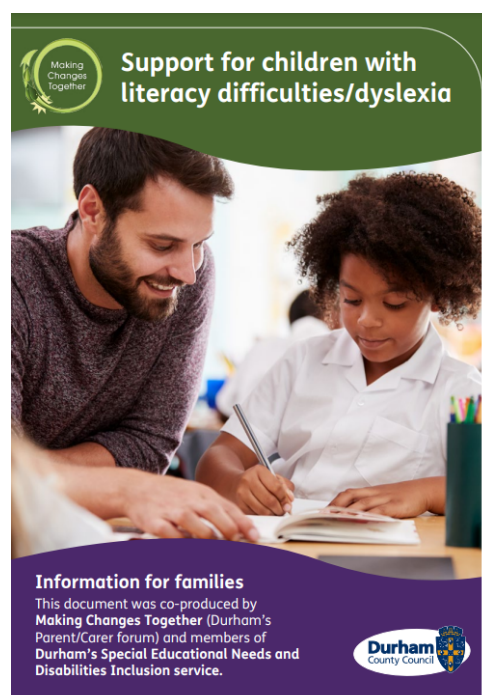
Learning Library (Outreach Worker)

Miss Gregg (SENCO)

Information for Families on Literacy Difficulties

MCT and SEND and Inclusion have put together a document which outlines support for literacy difficulties and describes the approach in SEND and Inclusion.

If you would like a printed copy or a copy sent via Class Dojo, please contact Miss Gregg.



Support for children with literacy difficulties/dyslexia

Information for families
This document was co-produced by Making Changes Together (Durham's Parent/Carer forum) and members of Durham's Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Inclusion service.

Durham County Council

The image shows a man and a young girl sitting at a desk, looking at a book together. The man is pointing at the text in the book, and the girl is looking at it intently. The background is a blurred classroom setting. The text is overlaid on a green and purple background.

Short Break Offer

For families of children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities



The Local Offer

Visit the Local Offer for information on groups that provide activities for children and young people with SEND. The Local Offer also has information on groups that provide direct support to parents. You will need to contact the groups to find what they have on offer at the moment.

www.countydurhamfamilies.info/localoffer

FUN & FOOD

Do you find the school holidays a struggle? Finding fun things for your kids to do that don't cost the earth and paying for all that extra food or childcare.

Fun and Food provides FREE holiday activities with healthy snacks and meals for children and young people. Activities are provided by schools, voluntary and community sector groups, sport and leisure services and our family centres.

You can find out what is available in your area at www.durham.gov.uk/funandfood



Parent/carer online support

Durham County Carers Support are hosting a variety of online support, training and activity sessions for carers. For more information please contact 0300 005 1213 or visit www.dccarers.org

Making Changes Together Parents Forum (MCT) are running Zoom coffee events. For more information please contact info@mctdurham.co.uk or visit www.mctdurham.co.uk



Short Breaks Solutions

If you are struggling to find suitable activities for your children to give you a short break from your caring role, our Short Breaks Solutions service will work with you to find options that suit your family's needs. Short Breaks Solutions can refer you to some tailored opportunities for children and young people with SEND that will benefit them and their families outside of their education.



To access any of the activities please contact Short Breaks Solutions:

Email: shortbreakssolutions@durham.gov.uk

Telephone: 03000 260 270

