



# NEWSLETTER

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2021  
Autumn Term, Week 5

## A message from Mrs Hoare...

Thank you to all of our parents for supporting us with this week's school closure. Of course, we want all pupils to be in school however this week we were unable to provide a safe environment on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. We were very proud of the volume of pupils who engaged in online learning and how quickly they adapted to this, showing our values of resilience and co-operation.

If you were unable to access Microsoft Teams during this school closure, I urge you to speak to your child's class teacher to ensure you are well-prepared in case of any future school closures, not that we are expecting any.

Kind Regards,  
Mrs Hoare

## Dates for your diary:

Book Fair	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> December – Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> December
End of term	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas jumper day	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> December
Year 4 Christmas Party Yr 3,5,6 party dates to follow	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> December
End of term	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December
Start of Spring term	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January (4 <sup>th</sup> January – INSET Day)

## Important Messages

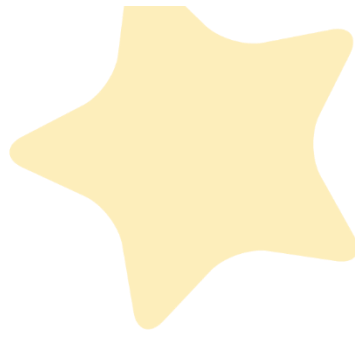
**Book Fair:** Due to the school being closed for part of the week, we have extended our book fair by 1 week. The last day to view books available in school will be Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December. Books can be viewed and purchased online too. Please refer to the letter from Mr Guthrie.

**Parking outside of school:** Please be safe when parking outside of school. Pupils walk to school and cross the road throughout the morning. Please be vigilant when parking and driving outside of the premises.

**Food donations:** Mrs Gaydon is collecting food donations (tins and long-life packaged food) for Sunderland Community Kitchen. Please support this cause and send any donations into school. Thank you.

**Welcome back:** Mrs Kendrick and Mrs Herron are returning from maternity leave next week! They will both be working part time and teaching 6NKAH (was 6SB). We look forward to having them back in school.





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## School Attendance

It is imperative that pupils attend school regularly and that they are on time. We aim for **97% attendance and no late sessions**. Here's how attendance looks across school this week – keep an eye out for our attendance winners in yellow!

### Lower Key Stage 2

Class:	3AH	3AC	3HL	4CE	4SI	4KW
Attendance:	100%	91.5%	79.2%	93.8%	89.1%	83.3%
Lates:	0	0	0	3	0	0

### Upper Key Stage 2

Class:	5AR	5BH	5LC	6NKAH	6CC	6DG
Attendance:	92.9%	83.3%	98.2%	84.4%	92.7%	85.2%
Lates:	1	1	1	0	1	0

## In school this week...

### Home learning

Children have coped fantastically with the sudden event of home learning and have shared their thoughts:

"Our families enjoyed learning too"

"My teacher helped me a lot because saving things was hard"

## LOOK WHO'S BACK...

Buddy has arrived at Diamond Hall and has been causing chaos in Year 4 today!

Please can we remind parents to contact the office if your child is going to be absent from school. This should be done before 8:30 am.

If attendance becomes a concern, medical evidence will be asked for to support the absence.

A special well done to 3AH for achieving a whopping 100% attendance and 0 lates!

