



# Cotherstone Primary School

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## Mr Atkinson's Visit to Class 3 By Chad

On Tuesday 4th February, Mr Peter Atkinson visited class 3 to talk to us about his experience of World War II. Two German prisoners of war came to help on his farm One of them built two wooden toys; a dog and a duck that walked down a ramp. He explained that when people visited his farm they always wanted food. A war plane crash landed ten metres away from him! We would like to thank Mr Atkinson for coming into school and sharing his memories with us.

## National Careers Week

March 2nd to 6th is National Careers Week. If any parents are able to come into school that week to talk about their career, please can they contact the school office. Thank you.

## Class 2 Teacher

We are seeking to appoint a key stage two class teacher for a mixed age class maternity cover commencing April 2020.

The successful applicant will have high expectations and be committed to providing a welcoming, stimulating learning experience for all the children.

Please email the school secretary at [cotherstone@durhamlearning.net](mailto:cotherstone@durhamlearning.net) or phone 01833 650491 for an application pack if you are interested in this role.

## After School Club Staff

We are seeking to recruit staff to run afterschool clubs which would

involve an activity club followed by after school care as necessary. If you feel you can offer a service, please contact Mrs Matthewman at the school to discuss options. We are hoping to offer activity clubs on a half-termly basis with flexible childcare so if you are able to provide something, even if it is not on a full-time basis, please get in touch.

The school and the Governing Body is committed to Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and requires all staff and volunteers to demonstrate this commitment in every aspect of their work.

Successful applicants will be subject to the necessary DBS checks.

We are an equal opportunities employer.

## Class 1 Visitor

On Wednesday, local vet, Richard Matthews, will be visiting the children in class 1 to talk to us about his work as a vet in Teesdale.

## Homework

Class 1 - See homework book.

Class 2 - Literacy: Spellings - Week 5. Apostrophes for possession. Numeracy - EducationCity homework. (Please see Miss Thomas if you are unable to access your account)

Class 3 - Literacy: Relative clauses & spellings. Numeracy: Year 5 - Multiples and factors. Year 6 - Multiplying decimals.

## Dates for your diary

Dates in bold are new additions from the last Newsletter

12th Feb - Class 3 netball competition

13th Feb - Class 1 multi-skills festival

14th Feb - Celebration Assembly 2:45pm

14th Feb - School closes for half term

24th Feb - School re-opens

2nd - 6th Mar - National Careers Week

Thank you for your support.

Chris Matthewman and the Cotherstone Primary School Team

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## **News from The Friends of Cotherstone School**

Many thanks to those who attended the FOCS meeting. If anyone is interested in a copy of the minutes, please contact Kelly Green. We have some exciting events planned over the next few months and it would be fantastic if more parents could get involved to share the duties.

We are looking for parent volunteers to help with pancake making on Shrove Tuesday (25<sup>th</sup> Feb) in school with the children from approximately 1.15pm to the end of the school day.

FOCS have been asked to provide refreshments at The Castle Players production of The Old Curiosity Shop on Sunday 16th February at 3pm, at Cotherstone Village Hall. Tickets are available on 01833 651908 (adults £8/children £2). If anyone is available to help contact Rachel Atkinson.