



Cotherstone Primary School

Autumn Term
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Cool Kids Charges

You may have noticed that your bill for the first month of the term has been charged at the previous rate and not the increased rate which was specified in the Governors' newsletter at the end of the summer term. This is because we wanted to consider the implications of whether or not to charge on a half hourly basis or change to quarter hourly. As the new charge was £2 per half hour we have decided to implement charging £1 per quarter hour as from 2nd November.

As we are charging on a quarter hour basis Cool Kids will now run until 5:15pm. However, it is vitally important that children are picked up no later than this time. We recognise parents can be delayed on rare occasions due to unforeseen circumstances. Please ensure you have a back up scenario for such occasions to prevent us having to implement the Durham County Policy regarding non-collection of children.

October bills will be issued next week.

Year 6 Students

Please avoid absence during the week commencing 9th May 2016 as this is when year 6 SATS will take place.

School Lunch

If you would like to pay for your child's lunches for the entire half term please send in a cheque for £66.30 made payable to Durham County Council.

School Photo Orders

Please send your photograph orders

into school by Monday 9th November.

Sports Centre

We have two more weeks before the sessions for this term finish.

Children in Need

Friday 13th November

This year the children voted to take part in the Countryfile Ramble in support of Children in Need instead of our usual talent show. Next Friday afternoon we are planning to take the children on a walk around the local area and would love parents and siblings to join us. We won't send out sponsor forms but will be collecting for Children in Need on the day.

All who take part are encouraged to wear Pudsey ears, t-shirts etc. Waterproof ponchos are available for £8 from the Children in Need website!

We will leave school at 1:30pm and return in time for the end of the school day.

Friday Snacks

Harriet's Friday snacks have proved very popular with the children. If you would like your child to continue having a healthy snack on a Friday morning please send in £1.25 per child by next Friday.

Tag Rugby Report

By Charlotte & Daniel,

Robyn & Freddie

On the Monday before half term Key Stage 2 children went to Teesdale School to play in a Tag Rugby Tournament. There was a year 5/6

Dates for your diary

Dates in bold are new additions from the last

Newsletter

13th Nov - Children in Need 'Countryfile Ramble' 1:30pm

16th Nov - Operation Christmas Child Shoebox collection

20th Nov - C3 trip to Bede's World

4th Dec - Celebration Assembly 2:45pm

10th Dec - Years 4, 5 & 6 Swimming Gala

15th Dec - Christmas Party

16th - Christingle Service @ St Cuthberts

17th Dec - School closes for Christmas Break

5th Jan - School re-opens



News from The Friends of Cotherstone School

team and two year 3/4 teams. Everyone played amazingly. It was very impressive and extraordinary. Some people didn't like it then they liked it! It was very exhausting to some. Tiggy was about to score but the whistle blew. Jack scored 3 tries, Ed scored 4, Daniel scored 2, James scored 2, Robert scored 2, Callum scored 1 and Nathan scored about 18!

Our Year 3/4 A Team won the tournament! Team, B didn't do quite so well. We had a fun and enjoyable time.

Football Tournament By Billy & Nathan



On Thursday 5th November we went to Staindrop to play a football tournament. We won 3 out of 4 matches and we drew 1. We had an amazing team: Tiggy, Krista, Freddie, Edward, Callum, Robert, James, Jack, Billy and Nathan.

Scholastic Books

If you wish to order from the attached brochure please send your orders into school by Monday 16th November. Thank you.

Homework

No homework

Staff Offsite

None expected

The fabulous Hallowe'en party, held before half term was funded by FOCS. The children seemed to have a wonderful time. The £74.65 raised on ticket sales and the bake sale will be donated to a charity chosen by the school council

Christmas Fayre

Friday 27th November 5-7pm

We would be very grateful to receive any prizes for our raffle and the chocolate and bottle tombola which will be held at our Christmas fayre. Prizes suitable for both children and adults would be great! For example: colouring books, coloured pencils, chocolate, bottles of wine, bottles of bubble bath, soap and any other gifts etc.

We will also be having our toy stall again so would appreciate second-hand toys to sell on to raise money for the FOCS. All donations can be sent into school ASAP. Volunteers to help with teas and coffees would also be great. Please contact Jennie if you are able to help. jennielee100@googlemail.com
Thanks for your continued support.