

## BROOMHAUGH C OF E FIRST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER FRIDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2025

Dear Families,

We have had a wonderful first week of STEM fortnight. Here are some updates from the amazing events in all classes.

#### **Reception: Ahoy there!**

What a week in reception! To really get into character as trainee pirates, their first task was to learn the pirate lingo! And, shiver me timbers, they were naturals! They even had to learn their brand new pirate name - cue many giggles! A video message from Captain Sparkle delivered our STEM project 'To design and make a boat that will carry as much treasure as possible!' Our first task was to draw a boat and label it with the materials we might use. The trainee pirates came up with plastic, brick and steel! After looking at our designs, Captain Sparkle sent us two further challenges to test out our initial chosen materials: Which materials float? Which materials are waterproof? After planning and carrying out the two investigations the trainee pirates are ready to adapt their initial designs before making and testing next week.

Batten down the hatches, it could be a bumpy ride! Will they be successful or will they have to walk the plank?

#### Class One: Mr. Magorium

Mr Magorium made an appearance in class 1. He welcomed us into his toyshop and introduced us to our STEM challenge.

It has been a busy week. The children have enjoyed exploring the old and new toys in the toy shop. Our challenges have included making a Jack in a box, using Cuisenaire Rods to measure the heights of Mr Magorium's employees, designing and making paper planes and categorising toys. Who knows who will visit us next week?

### Class Two: Greetings from our Jedi Training Facility!

Our Jedi Younglings entered school full of excitement on Monday and were immediately enrolled into the Jedi Training programme and given their official Star Wars names. Master Yoda instructed the new recruits to create a security system to protect all Jedi bases and training facilities from the Dark Side. The children got straight to work by writing a Job Application to Yoda. They also considered the 9 most important traits that a true Jedi must possess as well as completing some mathematical statistics tasks to impress their Grand Master. Our Jedi Younglings began creating designs for shoebox dioramas in which they could present their security system ideas to Yoda - the incredible creativity demonstrated shows that our trainees are well on their way to achieving the next Jedi rank of Padawan or Jedi Knight very soon!

Thank you also to Christine Kimpton and Gemma Horn, two of our parent STEM ambassadors who visited us in school this week too!

Great start to STEM, everyone!

S Hart & N Burton Executive Head Teacher Deputy Head Teacher



## Attendance

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Year 2 & 3	Reception	Year 1
100%	98.8%	97%

# Dates for your Diary

## New dates have been added in red:

Date	Event	Notes
February		
Monday 17	STEM Fortnight Commences	
-	Professor Brainstorm	Science Workshop
Thursday 20	Stem Open Morning to all Parents 9am – 10:15	In school hall.
	School Breaks up for Half Term	Information sent out
March		
Monday 3	School Reopens	
Thursday 6	World Book Day	More Info to follow
Sunday 9	Roller Skating Lesson for Adults @ Wentworth Leisure Centre	Information sent out
Sunday 16	Roller Skating Lesson for Adults @ Wentworth Leisure Centre	Information sent out
Sunday 23	Roller Skating Disco for All @ Wentworth Leisure Centre	Information sent out
Tuesday 25	KS2 Federation Sporting Event @ Corbridge First School	Football
Monday 31	Spring Music Concert All Welcome @ St James Church 1:30	More Info to follow
Friday 21	Red Nose Day	
April		
Friday 4	Year 4 Parent Maths MTC Workshop 2:15 – 3:15	More Information to follow
Thursday 10	Easter Service Whole School	St James Church 9am All Welcome
Friday 11 April	School Closes for Easter 3:15	
Monday 28 April	School Re-opens	
Tuesday 29	Cricket Engagement day - All year groups	More Information to follow
Мау		
Thursday 1	Year 4 Residential Meeting for Parents & Pupils	More Information to follow
Monday 5 May	Bank Holiday	School Closed
Friday 9	Year 4 Quad Kids @ CMS	Full Class Transition Event More Info to follow
Wednesday 14	Water Aid Workshop	Christian Aid Week
Thursday 22	KS2 Federation Sporting Event @ Wentworth Leisure Centre	Athletics
	Year 4 Residential to Ford Castle	More Information to follow
Friday 23 May	Year 4 Residential Return	Return to school 3:30/4pm to be confirmed
	School Closed for half term 3:15	

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June		
Monday 2	School Re-opens	
Tuesday 10	Golf in school for all years (am)	Close House Coach in school
Wednesday 11	Teddy Bears Picnic Lunch	
Tuesday 17	Golf in school for all years (am)	Close House Coach in school
Wednesday 18	Leavers Service @ Newcastle Cathedral 1pm -3pm	More Info to follow
Tuesday 24	Golf in school for Receptions	Close House Coach in school
	KS1am/ KS2 pm Federation Sporting Event @ Corbridge	
	Cricket Club	Cricket
July		
Friday 4	Federation choir singing at St. Andrew's Church 1.30pm	More Info to follow
Tuesday 8	Transfer Day for all Year Groups	More Info to follow
Friday 11	Year 4 Multi Sports Skills Festival	More info to follow
Wednesday 16	Leavers Lunch	
Friday 18	School Closes for Summer Holidays 3:15	
September		
Tuesday 2	School Re-Opens	