



BYERS GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

THURSDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2023

Dear Parents,

I am pleased to be able to let you know that, following discussions with Durham County Council, our Governing Body is now seeking to recruit a new Headteacher for our school for September 2023.

Please note the following:

SAFER INTERNET DAY 2023

On Tuesday we celebrated Safer Internet Day with a whole school assembly. We talked about what was positive about the Internet and discussed key messages around how to be safe. All children have completed activities in class where they discussed this year's theme of 'Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online.' Please use the following link to discover tips, advice, guides and resources for keeping your child safe online:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>

PLACE2BE'S CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK 2023

This week marks Place2Be's Children's Mental Health Week. Each class has taken part in a challenge to discuss age-related themes around this topic. Class 1 covered the theme of achievement, Class 2 considered who keeps us safe, Class 3 looked at caring for others and Class 4 completed a resilience challenge! Today, to link to the message of the week - 'Let's Connect', the whole school took part in a friendship challenge. Everyone worked together to make a huge paper chain showing how we can all link together and make our school a positive place for friendships. Please use the following link to find free resources for families:

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families/>

PE ESCAPE ROOM DAY – TUESDAY 14 FEBRUARY

Next Tuesday, each class will be taking part in a new session delivered by the Go Well team. The children will be testing their code-cracking skills through completion of a number of movement challenges and cryptic clues in order to escape! Please can all children come to school in PE kit.

WORLD BOOK DAY 2023 – THURSDAY 2 MARCH

We will be celebrating World Book Day on the above date. Further information to follow soon.

ADDITIONAL BANK HOLIDAY – MONDAY 8 MAY

The Government has announced a one-off bank holiday on **Monday 8 May 2023** to mark the coronation of His Majesty King Charles III. This will be an opportunity for families and communities across the country to come together to celebrate and all schools across the country will be closed.

HALF-TERM HOLIDAY

School will close for the half-term holiday on **Friday 17 February 2023 at 3.15pm**. We return on **Monday 27 February 2023**.

Mr W. Kirtley (Headteacher)