



BYERS GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 25.10.24

It is hard to believe the first half term is over! It has been a long but productive half term with many highlights. I hope you all have a restful half term holiday and come back to school recharged and ready for more exciting teaching and learning.

Baby/Toddler Group

After half term, we are hoping to trial a baby and toddler group. This will run on a Friday from 2pm until 3:25pm. Adults are expected to stay with the child and we hope it gives you the opportunity to meet with other families in the community. If you have any good quality toys for this age range, please let me know. We have a limited amount of storage space, but it would be really appreciated if you have any good quality donations. £1 a week donation towards refreshments would be appreciated but not essential.

Nasal flu vaccinations

The nasal flu vaccinations will take place at school on **5 November 2024**. Please use the link below to complete either a consent form or a refusal for the vaccinations. The link contains the consent form and additional information such as FAQs regarding the vaccination. **Please complete the electronic consent form using the link below before 29 October 2024** (one for each child) to ensure your child receives their vaccination.

<https://nhslmms.azurewebsites.net/session/18873b43>

This link is also attached to our website in School News.

Parents Evening

We will be holding our Parents' Evenings on Monday 18th and Monday 25th November from 3:30pm – 5:30pm. After half term, we will send a form home for you to book your appointment on your chosen night. If you can't attend either of these evenings, teachers will be happy to make an alternative arrangement with you.

Attendance Update

Mrs Blenkiron and I check on attendance on a weekly basis. A child with attendance below 90% is classed as a persistent absentee. At the end of this half term, if your child's attendance is below 90%, we will send you a letter advising you of this. I will then give you a call in the new half term to discuss any barriers or illnesses your child may face and discuss ways we can support and improve attendance.

PE days

Please can children come to school on their PE day dressed in PE kit. PE kit comprises of navy joggers and jumper /hoody and a white t-shirt. Please can all hair be tied back and all jewellery be removed. Please wear plain or school branded items only.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Class 3		Class 1 and 2		Class 1 and 2
Class 4 swimming at Spennymoor Leisure Centre		Class 4		Class 3

Online Safety

With the weather getting colder, children may spend more time indoors and on devices. Please follow the link below to the UK Safer Internet Centre which has a vast range of information about how to keep children safe online.

[Parents and Carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

Diary Dates

Please see important dates coming up this term

Date/time	Event
25 th October	School closes for half term
4 th November	School re-opens for Autumn 2
5 th November	Nasal flu clinic
18 th November	Open Evening for Parents and Carers
25 th November	Open Evening for Parents and Carers
6 th December	Christmas Fair 3:25 – 4:25
17 th December	1:15 – Class 1 and 2 Nativity Play 2:00 – Class 3 and 4 Christmas Sing Along
18 th December	9:10 – Class 1 and 2 Nativity Play 10:00 – Class 3 and 4 Christmas Sing Along
19 th December	Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day
20 th December	Christmas party – come to school in non-uniform /party clothes
More dates will be updated in this table as other opportunities arise – please keep checking.	

Thank you for reading our newsletter. Please get in touch if I can help you in any way.

Kind regards,

G.E.Dodds

Headteacher