

Important dates to note

Wednes. 2 Nov. - Chris Bostock - storyteller.
Tues. 8 Nov. - Visit to Great North Museum
(Hancock)
Tues. 29 Nov. pm Decorations' Day -
Mrs Faulder's and Mrs Lawson's Class
Thurs. 1 Dec. pm Decorations' Day -
Mrs White's Class
Tues. 6 Dec. 9.30am - Christmas Concert - Y1
will perform while Y2 sing
Thurs. 8 Dec. 2.30pm - Christmas Concert
- Y2 will perform while Y1 sing
Tickets on sale from 22.11.11 at £1
Wednes. 14 Dec. Christmas Party from 1pm

If you would like to sponsor our Half-Termly Newsletter, please see Mrs Turland our School Business Manager, in the Office.

Whole School Events

Friday 4 November - Outdoor Learning Day -Bring your wellies and make a donation
Monday 7-Thursday 10 November - Book Fair
Thursday 17 & Friday 18 November - Family photographs
Monday 14 - Friday 18 November -Anti-Bullying Week
Friday 18 November - Children in Need
Thursday 24 November 2pm - Home School Partnership Meeting
Wednesday 7 December - School Christmas Dinner
Sunday 11 December - Christingle - All Saints' Church 6.30pm
Friday 16 December 9.30am - Christmas Celebration at All Saints' Church
Friday 16 December 3.15—School Closes. Reopens Wednesday 4 January.



Special Awards



Jay Cheel and Paige Pearson after being presented with their trophy for the sponsored run.



Mrs White's Class have been BEST ATTENDERS last half term. Well Done! Attendance Award: Overall attendance for the school was 95.5% for last half term.

Please inform school if your child is unable to attend because of illness, phone 01914334080 before 10am.

Lobley Hill Primary School

Let's Celebrate!

Last half term we have celebrated excellent academic achievement across school, with Foundation Stage Profile, Key Stage 1 and 2 SAT data reflecting the hard work and commitment of children, parents and staff. This indeed is an exciting time at Lobley Hill Primary School! Already this term children have visited a number of places and Year 4 have completed their first residential visit at Gibside. A fantastic success! The outdoor environment is about to 'lift off' with an exciting menu of activities on Friday 4 November.

Lobley Hill Primary School and the Community

Money donated by 'Kular Stores' will be used to help change our outdoor environment. The huge shed donated, by a local charity, is so large an entire class can use it for activities! The sponsored run also helped generate funding to further transform our school environment.



Next year our school will make a major contribution to the Lobley Hill Community Festival and planning has already started. The committee for the festival needs a secretary to help co-ordinate this day of fun for the whole community. If you are interested please contact school on tel. 4334080 or Sue Shafto.

Home School Partnership

Calendar making will soon be upon us and a band of dedicated parents and carers usually offer their support to make these. Why not join them? They are also hoping to collect Christmas presents to send to Barnardos.



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Coffee Morning (& resource prep for staff) every Friday at 9am in our staff room. Do come and have a cuppa and chat.

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Year One News

The children have settled well into the new classroom routines. Thank you for helping with your child's homework. We really appreciate it and it does make a difference. Please remember to return the yellow homework book every week. Your child needs to have a named PE kit in school all week and their blue reading folder should be returned every day. Library books are changed every Monday, you can keep these for the week.

What a Fantastic Run!

Jay Cheel and Paige Pearson won a trophy for the quickest run time during our sponsored event. The trophy was presented in our achievement assembly and is displayed in our classroom.



Year Visit

Chris Bostock, a story teller, will be inspiring us with pirate stories to enhance our literacy work on Wednesday 2nd November. Your child could dress as a pirate but please do not buy anything special for the day.

We will be having a visit to the Great North Museum (Hancock) on Tuesday 8th November. Where we will be meeting objectives from the science curriculum, finding out about living and non-living things. Each class will visit for half a day and have lunch at school as usual.

We would appreciate a £4:00 donation towards the costs of these visits.

Parental Consultations



Parental Consultations will take place on Monday 7th November, Tuesday 8th November and Wednesday 9th November. Appointment times will be given.

We will discuss how your child has settled into school and give targets for writing, reading and maths.

House News

Each child has been given a house, the same as their siblings. They are able to achieve house points for good work and behaviour. These are collected each week and totalled. We also have house afternoons where the children take part in different activities. The latest activity has been a project, planned by the children, to create a piece of artwork linked to the Turner Prize.

Curriculum Update

- Our theme for this half term is pirates. We will be carrying out activities linked to this theme. For example, hoisting the Jolly Roger, following instructions on how to dress a pirate, and we will have a 'pirate ship' role play area. If you have any pirate themed items and you would be happy to let us borrow them for the half term it would be much appreciated.
- In science we will be looking at living and non-living things. We will attend a workshop at the Great North Museum linked to this theme. Following on from this we will continue our exploration of living and non-living things in the school setting.
- In maths we will be focusing on numbers and shape, space and measures. Please work with your child forming numbers correctly and counting objects accurately.
- In RE we will be continuing to learn about Judaism.
- We have been introducing a new approach to teaching reading using a programme called Read, Write, Inc. The children have settled well into the new routine for this area of learning. Please encourage your child to complete the sheets of sounds sent home.

Decorations Day

Mrs Lawson's and Mrs Faulder's Class parents and carers please keep the afternoon of 29th November free to help your child produce their decorations and enjoy Christmas refreshments. Mrs White's Class will be making decorations on Thursday 1 December, in the afternoon.

It would be helpful if you could send into school any old Christmas cards, old CDs and pine cones. Thank you!

School dinner menu is available on the website. A reminder that as part of our Healthy School programme, we ask that children do not bring chocolate, sweets or fizzy drinks to school.

