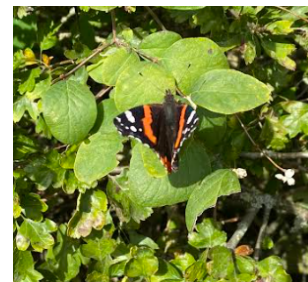


Happy Friday

Hello! This week has been a particularly busy one with work going on in our **Early Years yard** and in our **entrance hall** (see below). This butterfly was particularly keen to see what was going on and sat in the autumn sun appearing to watch the installation of the sandpit. This particular picture was taken earlier in the week though as the weather became pretty rough on Thursday and Friday. This newsletter is a long one so I will keep the introduction brief! Enjoy the weekend. Many thanks, Mr Routledge



Workshops

This week, **Catherine Dixon** delivered a fascinating session to a small group of **parents** around good **sleep routines**. I will share the **slides** and **handouts** via the **website** when I get them. It was very interesting to listen to some of the science behind sleep and some **common issues** we have with sleep (both for our children as well as ourselves). On **Wednesday**, Mr Gray and I will be delivering a session on **TTRS**. It would be great if you are able to come in and learn how to use our **TTRS** app and see the huge benefits it provides.

Charity

I was delighted to hear that two of our children, **Harry** and **Hudson**, have been involved with doing some fantastic **fundraising** through their **Beavers club** for the **Hope Centre**. They are completing a **30 minute walk** each day for **30 days** and, so far, have raised more than **£600!** Keep up the good work, lads! Thanks also to everyone for their **harvest donations** for the **Hope Centre**. We have a large **collection** of **food** and **hygiene** products to drop off and I'm sure it'll make a difference to families who are struggling at the minute.



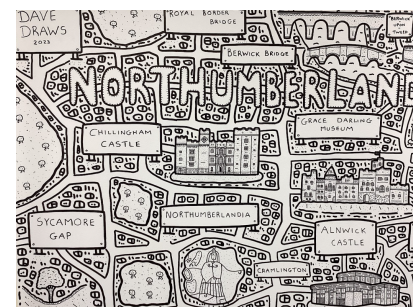
Sandpit

This week, Nick and Emma from **Branch and Bone** have been in school to install the second phase of our Nursery Yard **redevelopment**. Despite the pretty horrendous weather, they worked tirelessly to install our new (pretty mega!) sandpit. The sandpit is designed to develop a number of key skills including **communication**, **cooperation**, **fine** and **gross motor skills** and **problem solving**. The next installation will be a new mud kitchen which will be arriving next half-term. These areas must only be used during the school day under the **supervision** of **school staff**. Please ensure that your little ones **do not use** the **equipment** at **pick up** and **drop off**.



Mural

Earlier this week, an **artist** was in school to paint a superb **mural** in our main **entrance hall**. The mural depicts a **map** of the **North East coastline** and features the beaches that we visit as a school. Every time I look at the map, I notice something new that I haven't. Dave also put together a **sketch** of the **values** that we want to promote as a school based on feedback from children, families and our staff. I will share this with you all soon!





Halloween Raffle

Thanks very much indeed for the **raffle tickets** which have been purchased so far. Remember that you have until **Monday 23rd October** to buy them. We are also very grateful for the **donations** received for the **halloween hampers** and look forward to getting **more sent** in over the next week. All money raised will go towards big **school improvement projects** including class sets of iPads and our **early years outdoor environment**.

Cauliflower Christmas cards and gifts

Reminder, that **Cauliflower design sheets** went home last week. Orders should be placed **online** using your child's **unique code**. Designs should be handed to class teachers by no later than **Wednesday 8th November**. Cauliflower uses your child's designs to create beautiful **keepsakes** for **family** and **friends**. We have found that the mugs can make a great gift for grandparents and the wider family!

School Photographer

Advanced warning for your diaries that the **photographer** will be in school on **Monday 6th November**. This year our photos will be taken by **Phototronics**. I met with one of their reps earlier in the year and their package of pictures should reflect better value for money. As they are in school on the first day after the **half-term break**, I wanted to ensure that you all have plenty of **notice**.

Year Four Beach

Our **Year Four children** have braved the **weather** this week on **Holy Island**. Despite some pretty **wet** and **windy weather**, on Wednesday and Thursday our children had a fantastic time learning about the vikings and tasting some locally sourced prawns. Sadly, the awful forecast on Friday meant that we had to postpone the last trip of the week. An alternative date will be shared with you as soon as possible.

Discos

Advanced warning we will be hosting a **KS1** and **KS2 disco** after the half term break.

KS2 Wednesday 15th November 2023 from 3:15 - 4:30

KS1 Wednesday 29th November 2023 from 3:15 - 4:30

Tickets are **£2.50** and need to be paid online by **Tuesday 14th November**. This includes a **drink, crisps** and **some sweets**. Children should attend school in their **uniform** but bring their **disco clothes** in a bag **to change into** at the end of the school day. Children are welcome to wear **Halloween costumes** but we ask that they **do not wear a mask**. **All children**, even those who are ordinarily allowed to walk home, must be **collected** by a **known adult** from their usual doors at **4:30**.

Little Movers

Next half-term we will be hosting a **Little Movers** club on Wednesdays from 3:15 until 4:15. This club is offered to up to 20 children from **Year One** and **Year Two** at a cost of **£10** for the **six sessions**. If you would like to reserve your place, please contact the **school office**. Please note, two of these sessions will be held on **Friday afternoon** instead of a **Wednesday**. Please see the list below which outlines the dates.

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The main focus is **dance** and **physical activity** and we will create opportunities for your child to develop and **learn through play**. The sessions are non-stop and action packed with **games, songs, themes and props** and we create some **great dance routines**.

- Wednesday 8th November
- Friday 17th November*
- Wednesday 22nd November
- Friday 1st December*
- Wednesday 6th December
- Wednesday 13th December



On the Menu Next Week . . .

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Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Cowboy Lunch (CG) (Sausage, Hash Brown, Baked Beans)	Meatballs & Wholewheat Pasta (CG) Garlic Bread (CG) Side Salad	Ham & Cheese Pizza (M, CG) Side Salad Sweetcorn	Roast Chicken Dinner Roast Potatoes Vegetables	Sausages (CG) Chips Baked Beans
Option 2	Vegetarian Cowboy Lunch (CG)	Cheesy Baguette Melt (CG, M) Side Salad	Cheese Pizza (M, CG) Side Salad Sweetcorn	Broccoli Quiche (E, M, CG) Roast Potatoes Vegetables	Vegetarian Sausages (E, CG) Chips Baked Beans
♥ Jacket Potato available every day with the following fillings: V Cheese, V Beans					
Desserts	Meringue Nest with Mandarin Segments (E, M)	Chocolate Brownie (E, CG)	Sticky Toffee Pudding (E, M, CG) & Custard (M)	Jam Sponge Cake (E, M, CG)	Homemade Biscuit (CG, may M)
Fresh Bread, Mixed Salad and Fresh Fruit available everyday					



FOOD ALLERGIES AND INTOLERANCES

Before choosing your meal, please speak to a member of the catering staff about your requirements

Celery **C**, Cereals containing Gluten **CG**, Crustaceans **C**, Eggs **E**, Fish **F**, Lupin **L**, Milk **M**, Molluscs **M**, Mustard **M**, Nuts **N**, Peanuts **P**, Sesame Seeds **SS**, Soya **S**, Sulphur Dioxide **SD**

♥ Healthier Option ♣ Vegan V Vegetarian
 🍞 Contains Wholewheat/Wholegrain