



# NEWSLETTER

#### Show Racism the Red Card

On Thursday 29th September, all children in Year 6 took part in a workshop about racism. From sporting games to serious debates, the children showed their mature and respectful attitude. We also had the opportunity to play football with an ex-Newcastle United football player. Check us out!

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# Welcome Miss Bartle

A very warm welcome to Miss Bartle who joined us on 1<sup>st</sup> September as one of our Year 3 teachers. We are pleased to welcome Miss Bartle into our Timothy Hackworth team.

Well done to all of the Year 6 pupils who wrote very impressive letters of application for the roles of Head Boy, Head Girl, Deputy Head Boy and Deputy Head Girl.

The successful applicants are as follows:

Head Boy - John Murphy

Head Girl - Tegan Dowson

Deputy Head Boy - Ben Moore

Deputy Head Girl - Chloe Douthwaite

### A Message from Mrs. Boulton

Welcome back to the new academic year! What a fabulous start the children have made. Thank you for your support with our School Uniform Policy. The children look incredibly smart in their uniforms, including their very smart black shoes.

By supporting our School Uniform Policy, you are actively helping your child be a positive 'Timothy Hackworth' ambassador in school and in the local community, as well as setting high expectations for the children's future secondary school career and, later, for the world of work.

Many children, parents and carers have commented on the fabulous piece of art work in our Main Reception Area. A local artist, Katie Bird, was commissioned by us to represent our Timothy Hackworth School Vision through art. I am sure you will agree that Katie has done a marvellous job. Katie has also been commissioned by J. K. Rowling, author of the Harry Potter series. Your contributions towards our School Vision, last year, are very much appreciated. It is

wonderful to see all of our local community and school contributions together in one piece of work,

'May our Rights Respecting School be a happy place for us all to learn; where every one of us is valued and safe in our Timothy Hackworth School Family. May we all be the best that we can be by making a positive difference to each other, our community in Shildon and the wider world in which we all live.'

Keep a close lookout for another of Katie's paintings in the School Office!

May I take this opportunity to wish you a happy half term. We look forward to welcoming your children back to school after the half term holiday.

Mrs. Boulton

#### Electricity workshop at The Locomotion

On Tuesday 27th and 28th September, Year 6 visited the Locomotion Museum to take part in a workshop to learn more about electrical circuits. The children learnt the symbols for different components and had the opportunity to design and build their very own moving vehicle, powered by an electric motor.

#### Thrills and Skills

On Monday 26th September, all of Year 6 took part in a 'Thrills and Skills' workshop. During the workshop, pupils were put to work as U.N ambassadors who were working in Indonesia during the flooding season. Their aim over the day was to construct bridges, shelter and stretchers by using the surrounding forest materials. All staff were extremely proud of how involved all the children were and once again, behaviour was impeccable.



# Pupil of the Week Awards

- 1T Kate Tomlinson, Alfie White, Sophie Mawson
- 1H- Ava Thomas, Ceejay Proudfoot Freeman, Harriet-May Ward
- 2T Connor Scaife, Jacob Warters, Kai Siddle
- 2H Indie Wilson, Ben Mensforth, Jack Schofield
- 3T Tia Leigh Brown, Georgia Gillan, Ellissa Davison, Luke Costello
- 3H Maddie Larkings, Joshua Sear, Adam Hume
- 4T- Rylee Bennett, Jonnylee Pye, Mary Maloney
- 4H Logan-Ray Prince, Millie Sanderson, Charlie Storey
- 5T Clarke Lightfoot, Jessica Lawton, Dylan Kirby
- 5H Tegan Storey, Ewan Douglas, Zak Seymour
- 6T Ellis Halimond, Matthew Airey, Poppy Long, Whole Year Groups
- 6H Caitlyn Lawton, Daisy Bonas, Kate Morgan

# School Football Team

Well done to our school football team who won both of their matches on 22nd September, 5-0 and 2-0. They also won both of their matches on 6th October 8-0 and 3-0.

The children showed very respectful behaviour. Well done!

They have now qualified for the final which takes place this Thursday, we wish them good luck!





Article - 19—All children have the right to be safe.

YouNow is a fairly new app that allows users over the age of 13 to stream live video and receive comments from viewers. Broadcasters (the children using the app) are encouraged to become popular and to create content that will attract more viewers. There is also a system for buying a currency to virtually tip broadcasters. Videos created could be copied and stored. Durham Police have been made aware as a result of an ongoing case that adults using this site may be encouraging children to swap images of themselves. Please be extra vigilant.

Further advice is available at <a href="http://parentinfo.org/article/a-parents-guide-to-younow">http://parentinfo.org/article/a-parents-guide-to-younow</a>. Parents of primary aged children will want to ensure that their children do not have access to this app and that older children are aware of the possible dangers.

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY INCLUDING CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES 2016

Friday 21st October – school closes for half term

Monday 31st October – school re-opens at 8.50am

Monday 31st October – Nursery Halloween Theme Day

Tuesday 8th November – Y6 Safety Carousel

Thursday 1st December – Nursery Christmas performance 10.45am for morning and end of the week children

Monday 5th December – YI Christmas performance 9.30am

Monday 5th December – Nursery Christmas performance 2.20pm for afternoon and beginning of the week children

Tuesday 6th December – Y3 Pantomime Durham Gala Theatre

Tuesday 6th December – Y2 Christmas performance 2.45pm

Wednesday 7th December – KS2 H classes carol service at St. John's Church 1.15pm

Thursday 8th December – KS2 T classes carol service at St. John's Church 1.15pm

Friday 9th December – Reception Christmas performance 10am

Friday 9th December – Christmas Fair starting at 4pm

Tuesday 13th December – Y5 Christmas Party

Tuesday 13th December – Y2 Christmas Party

Wednesday 14th December - Y6 Christmas Party

Wednesday 14th December - Y4 Christmas Party

Thursday 15th December – Y3 Christmas Party

Thursday 15th December – Y1 Christmas Party

Friday 16th December – Reception Christmas Party

Friday 16th December – 2's and Nursery Christmas Party all nursery children invited to the am session. There will be no afternoon session on this date.

Friday 16th December – School closes for the Christmas holidays

Wednesday 4th January – School re-opens at 8.50am

## Safeguarding Update

Mrs. Reid has joined our school team of Designated Safeguarding Leads. Our Designated Safeguarding Team is:

Mrs. L. Boulton - Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs. J. Slattery - Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs. C. Reid - Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs. G. Wall - Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Miss N. Stainsby - Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead, Parent Support Adviser and Safeguarding Governor

Please report any safeguarding concerns that you may have about a child to a member of the Safeguarding Team.

### Show Racism the Red Card

On Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September, the children's attitude to their learning and behaviour for learning was highly commended from our 'Show Racism the Red Card' visitors. Well done to our children.

Our visitors kindly donated free tickets for the Sunderland v West Brom. match on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October. Each child who attended school on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September was placed 'in the hat' to ensure a fair chance for all. The lucky winners and their families were:

Gabriella Race - Nursery

Ethan-Lee Dixon - Reception

Thomas-John Coombes - 1T

Millie Waites - 2T

Joshua Aldworth - 2H

Luci Butterfield - 2H

Lacey-Jay Mundy - 3T

Christopher Alderson - 3H

#### Homework

Well done to children who hand in their homework on time. Thank you to parents and carers for your support with this

Please do try to hear your child read their reading book each night at home. 5 minutes really does make a difference.

Homework Mascots continue to be awarded to the class with the most homework handed in, in KS1 and KS2.

# Ofsted Update

In September, we were recently visited by Belita Scott, one of Her Majesty's Inspectors following our Ofsted inspection last year.

I do hope that you have read the letter from Ms. Scott that was sent home with children earlier in September, who reported that school is making good progress. Indeed, standards have improved at the end of Foundation Stage, in Year 1 Phonics, in Year 2 Phonics and at the end of KS1, with the quality of teaching and learning having significantly improved across the school.

Our staff are a very dedicated and hardworking team; your children's best interest s and right to a quality education continues to be an absolute priority.

Thank you for your support.

#### **Attendance**

We are very pleased to welcome Mr. Readman to our Timothy Hackworth School Team as Education Welfare Officer.

Mr. Readman's role is to support and work with children and their families to improve attendance levels across the school.

Children's attendance is still an issue and an area which we urgently need to improve. We do expect children to have a 100% attendance at school.

Unfortunately, many children at Timothy Hackworth still miss too many days of school.

Also, many of our children are taken on holiday by parents and carers during term time, therefore missing valuable learning time. This is an increasingly significant problem for us. Please ensure that any holidays taken are done so in school holiday times. Thank you.



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