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Birtley East School Times Weekly Newsletter

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Football Team

A massive congratulations to the Birtley East football team. You have won, lost and drew learning from each game. When it has counted, you have secured the win to top the table, ending the season on 15 well deserved points. You have all represented your school brilliantly by showing off your skills, commitment, hard work and communication and we are incredibly proud of the progress you have all made. Well done! Good luck at the tournament next week to finish off a fantastic first half to the football season.

Attendance Policy Review

As you will know, the law changed over the summer regarding attendance. This has included changes to fines for holidays in term time and an increased expectation from the DfE regarding all children's attendance. I attach our updated policy for your information and this will be on the agenda at our upcoming governors meeting for approval.

Smoking and Vaping

Smoking and vaping are banned on our site, and we would ask that you stand well away from our gates if you are smoking or vaping so that children and other visitors do not need to walk through the smoke/vapour as they come into our grounds.



Our updated Attendance Policy is attached for your information, queries or comments should be addressed to:
birtleyeastcommunityprimaryschool@gateshead.gov.uk



Parents Evening

There will be an opportunity for you to book to see your child's teacher on 18th and 19th November, 3.30pm-6pm. Appointments will be bookable after half term and we will let you know when booking opens. At these meetings you will also be able to discuss any SEN profiles and support plans in place for your child. If you cannot make the evenings allocated or require more than one appointment as you parent separately, please contact the main office and we can arrange for this.

Information Attached

There is information attached about the services offered by the Gateshead Autism Hub.

Dates for your Diary

Please note, we include as much information as possible about upcoming events on this newsletter but please also look out for separate communications from your child's teacher.

Date	Event
21 st October	Visit to St Cuthbert's hospice (older school councillors) Meeting for year 5 parents interested in the Kielder visit (after school)
22 nd October	Reception vision screening
23 rd October	Halloween stay and play; nursery Y1 library visit
25 th October	Halloween Dress up (optional, NOT year 1 who are going on a sports visit), Halloween stay and play; reception Personal Development focus day: Emotional regulation. Year 1: sports event at LLOBA NO forest school sessions for year 1 and 3 due to in school events, forest school club will still be on after school.
WB 28 th October	Half Term
4 th November	INSET - school closed to all pupils
5 th November	Children return to school
13 th November	Flu immunisations
WB 18 th November	Cycling Sessions: Monday: Nursery and Reception, Tuesday: Year 1, Wednesday: Year 2, Thursday: Year 3, Friday: Year 4
18 th and 19 th November	Parents evening
25 th November	School Photographs
27 th November	M&M show in school: Aladdin
28 th November	Cycling session: Year 5
29 th November	Kielder Training Ride 1
2 nd December	Christmas Fair (after school)
WB 9 th December	Christmas Shows: dates TBC
10 th December	Y2 visit to Birtley Methodist Church; Christmas Journey
13 th December	Reindeer Run Fundraiser
WB 16 th December	Christmas Parties



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