

Junior School Bulletin

"Strong, Able, Calm, Kind."



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CLASS TOKENS COMPETITION



A **BIG** well done to Class 4LW for winning the class breakfast last week! The children all showed excellent manners moving around school.



The overall winners of the Class Tokens Competition this

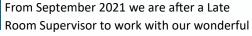
year are Class 4LW and
Class 5S and the children in
these two classes are all
really looking forward to
their trip to the cinema to
see *Raya and the Last Dragon* on Thursday 1st July.



Mrs Cree

After-School

LATE ROOM VACANCY



children from 4pm – 6pm, term time only. If you are interested, or know of anyone who might be, please drop me a line for more information:

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If you are interested in applying for the position, please note that the closing date for applications is Monday 28th June. Thank you.

Mr Miller

CAN YOU RISE TO THE 'PRINGLE RINGLE' CHALLENGE?

Next week, Year 6 are attempting to complete the 'Pringle Ringle' challenge. We will be looking at hyperbolic paraboloids and thought the 'Pringle Ringle' challenge would provide a great way to investigate this interesting shape. All Year 6 pupils will need to bring in their own tube of Pringles (I have tried with other brands, but Pringles are the best) for the start of next week. It would be great to see if any of our parents can also complete the challenge - please email in your attempts!

Mr Lloyd





Miss Gravely's partner managed to construct his 'Pringle Ringle' in less than 20 minutes.... how long will it take you?!

CONGRATULATIONS.....

.... to Toby J (5C) and Elliott M (5B) who played cricket last Sunday for South North Cricket Club against Tynemouth. They were playing pairs cricket and opened the batting, scoring a respectable 39 runs from 4 overs. The team performed well on the day and got the win they were all hoping for!



Well done, boys - and what a great result!

NEWSPAPERS STILL NEEDED, PLEASE!

Dear Parents

We are in low supply of newspapers in the art room.

We preferably need broadsheet newspapers as these are more suited to current art projects. Please drop off any newspapers to the School Office.

Many thanks.

Mrs McCulloch

DEREK HAS GREENFINGERS

Derek B (6L) has been kept very busy recently with his new found interest and passion: gardening.

Derek and his brother took up gardening with gusto during the lockdown. They have designed and created this horticultural Persian carpet, with the help of their mother, which has spectacularly blossomed in four weeks.

Tending to their plants has greatly reduced the boys' time indoors. Their creation was made from recycled palettes and with plants raised at home. Derek is so delighted and thrilled with the results of his four weeks of labour..... it looks like he has picked up a deeply satisfying hobby for a lifetime!











Well done, boys - what a stunning Persian carpet!

CONGRATULATIONS....

.... to Ishaan O (3S) who recently passed his Initial Grade Piano exam with Distinction.

He also passed his grading in Shotokan Karate and has progressed to an orange belt.





Well done, Ishaan - keep up the good work!

AND CONGRATULATIONS....

.... to Thomas T (6W) who received an award for winning the golden boot for his football teams 5 years in a row. He won 4 golden boots for Red House Farm *Eagles*, a Saturday team he played for from U7 - U10. This year he won the golden boot playing for the Bedlington *Bisons* U11, a Sunday team he joined last summer.



Well done, Thomas - what an achievement!

RECYCLE-A-READ

As part of our Partnership work, the RGS works with a number of schools in the wider Newcastle area and has been making reading links with other primary and secondary schools. As part of this, we would love for each of our Junior School children to choose a book from home that they have enjoyed and are willing to pass on, bring it into school, and then write a brief 'post-it review' to stick inside the front cover to encourage a new reader to give it a try!

Collection boxes will be located in Lambton foyer and Brandling top corridor. Please could each child choose just one book to donate on this

occasion. Donations will be open from Monday 21st June and will close on the last day of term, Wednesday 7th July.

Thank you in advance for your recycle-a-read donations!

Miss Close



STAFF V PARENTS CRICKET MATCH Thursday 17th June

Thursday of last week saw the second T20 cricket match between the staff and the parents of RGS. After a hiatus last summer, due to Covid, these two high-quality teams locked horns once again!

In the days building up to the game the children of the parents due to play started the psychological warfare. Walking past certain students, teachers would be subjected to comments such as, "My Dad's going to get you out again," and, "When you are batting, sir, duck will be on the menu!" This, coupled with the news that the parents had an 18 strong squad, left the staff feeling brittle and worried that they wouldn't be able to retain the trophy.

It was a sunny evening at Jesmond that witnessed Mukesh winning the toss and electing to bat. The parent openers, Godse and Fitzpatrick, soon put Wollerton and Young to the sword, scoring with ease and plundering boundaries. Despite multiple bowling changes and the best efforts of the bowlers, the runs continued to flow. Mr Smalley's off spin was the most impressive of the staff bowling, reminiscent of a spell I watched him bowl against Cheshire in 1993. There was very notable fielding from Mrs Barlow, Mrs Dean, Mrs Ponton and Doctor Spencer (I think his left knee is still on the outfield!) with Mr Bowman very tidy behind the stumps. The parents impressive and aggressive batting meant that they posted a very healthy 146.

Opening the batting for the staff, Mr Wood and Mr Chadwick started with some assured stroke play against some pacy bowling. Having run out two batters with direct hits when fielding, Mr Chadwick suffered the same fait when Mr Wood perhaps misjudged a single! Striding to the crease at this point was Mr Young who provided great impetus to the innings with some skilful shots. After laying a solid foundation, Mr Wood had his stumps rearranged which brought Mr Smalley into the firing line once more. The ebb and flow of the scoring made for fascinating watching but after a slight wobble, Mr Wollerton slapped 3 quick fire boundaries to win a close game for the staff.

After the 18 months we have all had, this was a small piece of very welcome normality and a true community feel. Mr Stanford was there to watch, Mrs Baker scored immaculately, Mr Cragg umpired and a host of lovely parents and children buzzed around the ground.

My thanks to everyone who helped make this wonderful occasion come to fruition, especially Mukesh (Pranay's Dad) for his team management and excellent humour throughout.

Mr Miller

