

## CONGRATULATIONS....

.... to Ralph M (6W) who has enjoyed the return of the cricket season both at RGS and at Rock. He played well against Tillside last Sunday and had two mentions in the Rock write up. Two scalps and changing the batting in their favour, Rock were victorious!



Well done, Ralph - keep up the good work!

## CONGRATULATIONS ALSO....



.... to Harry W (3S) who has recently officially signed for the Sunderland AFC Academy - a real milestone for him!

Harry has been heavily involved with academy football, from the age of 4, in the Pre-Academy programs. He had been involved in Middlesbrough, Newcastle and Sunderland Academies and all three offered him a contract to sign for their academies, which is an amazing achievement.

Harry is always very calm and modest about his football prowess and we are all incredibly proud of him - both for this achievement and for the way in which he has conducted himself and throughout the course of this year.

Since the end of lockdown, Harry has played against Everton, Manchester United, Wigan, Sheffield Utd and Sheffield Wednesday. He has shown an amazing commitment throughout lockdown, attending up to 3 or 4 Zoom sessions a week.



Well done, Harry - what a fantastic achievement!



## CALLING ALL PIANISTS

We're planning to record a piano concert to go out on World Music Day - 21st June.

The recording is likely to be on either Friday 11th June or Saturday 12th June, depending on the school diary.

If you would like your child to take part, please email me at [nnpianolessons@outlook.com](mailto:nnpianolessons@outlook.com) with your child's name, year group, title of piece and composer by 24th May and I'll be in touch in due course with further details.

Thank you.

Mr Nowicki (VMT Piano)



## FOOD IN SCHOOL

This is just a quick but important reminder that all food brought into school, whether it be birthday treats, healthy snacks for break-times, or packed lunches, **MUST** be nut-free as we have several children with allergies.

Mrs Wall



## BUSY BEN!

Ben G (3S) had a busy time at Beamish last weekend, making a Georgian pottery tile and small pot.



Well done, Ben!



## CONGRATULATIONS....

.... to Georgina D (3T) who did amazingly well at her first *Pony Club* tetrathlon recently. It was an unmounted event (no riding) and she had to compete in the U10 instead of the category she should be in (U9), as there was no U9 category.

She came first in the shooting, second in the running and fourth in the swim, coming third overall.



Well done, Georgina - what a great achievement!



## CLASS TOKENS COMPETITION



A **BIG** well done to Class 5S for winning the class breakfast last week! They showed excellent manners moving around school.



Mrs Cree

## KING OF THE RUBIK'S CUBE!



William P (3S) has worked tirelessly to learn to solve his Rubik's Cube.

His perseverance has definitely paid off as he can now do it!

Well done, William - will you be giving any lessons?!



## BUSY TIMES FOR TRISTAN

Tristan's E-S (3T) has been very busy at Cubs and has recently been awarded some amazing badges:

- **Chef Badge** - Tristan learned the basic rules of safety and hygiene in the kitchen, the different ways of preparing & cooking foods and what the major food groups are. He planned, cooked, served and cleared away a delicious two-course meal.
- **Disability Awareness Badge** - Tristan learned a lot about the challenges disabled people face and created a PPT presentation about his research. He was thrilled to meet and speak to a blind lady about her gorgeous and very skilled and helpful guide dog.
- **Science Badge** - Tristan did some interesting experiments over a few weeks: investigating colour using *skittle* sweets; seed planting experiments and testing apples to see which liquids could stop them from going brown.
- **Environmental Badge** - Tristan made a bird box & feeder and planned a clean-up campaign for a local park, making and displaying posters and doing several litter picks.

He learned how to use **What3Words** last week on a hike - a great resource for locating where you are if lost, and he's now working on his **Navigator** and **Athletics** Badges...



Well done, Tristan - and good luck with the next badges!

## CONGRATULATIONS....

.... to Taylor M (6N) who competed in the Croft Pitstop U16 2K race in Darlington recently, finishing with a new PB time for 2K of 7.12 and 3rd girl.

Medals always bring the biggest smiles!



Well done, Taylor - what great results!



## MINA THINKS OF OTHERS



Mina J-L (3S) had 8 inches (20cm) of her hair cut off last weekend to donate to *The Little Princess Trust*, which makes wigs for children affected by hair loss. This was all completely her own idea.

**Well done, Mina - what a very kind and thoughtful thing to do.**

## MANDARIN SUCCESS

Elisa T (4M) has been attending Newcastle Mandarin Chinese School at weekends since the age of 5. She continued to study Mandarin remotely during the lockdowns. On 3rd May, she was one of six finalists from NMCS to compete in the 18th UK Mandarin Reading competition.



**Well done, Elisa - very impressive!**

## ABHI SCREAMS FOR ICE CREAM!



Abhi K (6W) recently enjoyed making ice cream sundaes with his sister, Angelica.

**Well done, both of you - your ice cream sundaes look delicious!**

## CONGRATULATIONS....



.... to Allan Z (3T) who recently achieved a Distinction in his Grade 5 theory exam, scoring an amazing 73 out of 75.

**Well done, Allan!**

## ORJA PUTS ON A PERFORMANCE

Sunday 9th May marked the 160th birth anniversary of poet, author, visionary, and Nobel Laureate Rabindranath Tagore. For Bengalis all over the world, this day is known as 'Rabindra Jayanti', and Oorja C (3D) performed solo as part of a virtual concert organised by her music school 'Surangon'. She loved dressing up in a traditional 'sari' and sang 'Phule Phule Dhole Dhole', a Tagore song composed in 1882, with its melodic scheme inspired by the Scottish ballad 'Ye Banks and Braes' (also known as 'The Banks O' Doon' - Robert Burns 1791).



Well done, Oorja - what a stunning photo!



**DON'T FORGET!**



The 'not so annual' annual staff V parents cricket match is back on the agenda! Any parents who fancy dusting off their pads for a game of T20 cricket at Jesmond against the staff, please email team manager, Mukesh Madhavan, for further information ([drmukeshm@yahoo.com](mailto:drmukeshm@yahoo.com)).

A VERY relaxed affair, this is a great opportunity to enjoy a sunny evening propelling a hard object at each other whilst remaining friends - who could ask for more?

Date: **Thursday 17th June**

Time: **6.00pm**

Venue: **Jesmond Cricket Club**

*Mr Miller*



## CONGRATULATIONS....

.... to Arjun G (5S) who recently passed his classical guitar step 1 exam with Distinction (96%).



Well done, Arjun - what a fantastic result!



## NSPCC NUMBER DAY

Friday 7th May

NSPCC Number Day has been and gone and what a day it was! There was a sea of green around school and the hum of children working together to solve a variety of problems. Robot Wars in Lambton House seemed to be a huge success with some intelligent designs and launching mechanisms. Over in Brandling house, the Year 5 and Year 6 afternoon consisted of creating our own Top Trumps, with themes ranging from bird-inspired footballers to chocolate bars!

Not to mention the TTRS teachers vs pupils Rock Slam - which I am pleased to announce the teachers won (but only by the slimmest of margins)....watch this space as there could be a rematch on the cards before the end of the year.

Thank you all so much for your support and generous donations to such a worthy cause. Here's to next year!

*Mr Lloyd*





## NSPCC NUMBER DAY (CONTINUED)





## FIXTURES ARE BACK.... HURRAH!

Over the past two weeks we have enjoyed some lovely cricket fixtures against our neighbours across the Moor. Dame Allan's have travelled to us at Jesmond Cricket Club and the Intake, across all year groups. It has been absolutely fantastic to see the joy and enthusiasm from all students as they play their first fixtures of the year (for Year 3 children, these have been their first ever for the RGS!) We have hit 6s and 4s, practised our bowling and taken wickets - all while having a lot of fun along the way!

Let's hope the sun keeps shining and we can continue to enjoy more matches in the upcoming weeks. We both can't wait - **BRING IT ON!**

*Mrs Barlow & Mr Cragg*

