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Safe, Supported, Successful

Attendance target 96.3%		
Whole school attendance since 05 September 2023	93.0%	
Whole school attendance this week	93.0%	
97.3%	90.8%	
94.5%	90.0%	
96.3%	91.1%	

Class of the week for this week is **Orange** class with 97.3% attendance. **Well done Orange class**. You have the attendance octopus and you have had a dip in the sweet box.

Our winner for a **dip in the attendance prize box** as a reward for having 100% attendance and no late marks for the week is **William** in Blue class.

Star of the week

Our Stars of the Week are-



WOW winners

Our Writers of the Week are-



Mrs Lyons	Esme	Mrs Lyons	William
Mrs Watson and Mrs Thomas	Francesca	Mrs Watson and Mrs Thomas	Grace
Miss Winter	Ollie	Miss Winter	Freya
Mrs Bell	Edie	Mrs Bell	Luciana
Mrs Kembrey	Mila	Mrs Kembrey	Ethan
Mrs Askew	Cole, Rosie, Dakota,	Mrs Askew	Vinnie
	Freddie and Carter		
Miss Chappell	Freya	Mrs Ellison	Finnlagh
Staff star	Mrs Lyons	Mrs Miller and Mrs Jose	Frankie

Year 4 team building event

Year 4 have been invited to take part in a **team building event** at Astley High School on the morning of **Wednesday 31 January**. This is being organised by the Cramlington and Seaton Valley School Sports Partnership.

Children will need to come to school wearing their school PE kit on this day.

We will be travelling to and from Astley High School via the **X7 bus**. We will leave school after registration and we will be back by lunchtime, so there are no changes to the drop off and collection arrangements. More information will be sent to Year 4 parents in a separate letter. Good luck Year 4.

Birthdays

We had one birthday in school this week. **Hallie** in Red class was 6 this week. Happy birthday to Hallie. We hope you enjoyed your birthday.



Multi skills competition success

Children in Year 4 took part in the Cramlington and Seaton Valley schools' **multi skills challenge** last term. They came **second**, which means they went forward to the live virtual final of the competition.

This took place in school last Friday afternoon. Despite a few technical difficulties joining the virtual event, the children took part in all of the activities, scoring very highly in many of the them. We came fourth overall, which is an excellent result, especially against much bigger schools with lots more children in their Year 4 class than we have.

Events coming up next term

Celebration assemblies	Fundraising and community
Friday 16 February at 9:00am	Non uniform for school funds Friday 16 February
Wednesday 27 March at 9:00am	World Book Day book sale and coffee morning at 9:00am Thursday 07 March
Class assemblies	Mother's Day lunch Thursday 07 and Friday 08 March
Year 4 class assembly Friday 15 March at	Red Nose Day (Comic Relief) non uniform Friday 15
2:30pm	March
Other school events	Non uniform for Easter raffle Friday 22 March
Year 4 team building event at Astley High School	Film night Wednesday 27 March at 3:15pm for Years
Wednesday 31 January (morning)	1 to 4
Easter tables challenge starts on Monday 11	Spring term meetings for parents and children with
March	class teachers
Easter egg decorating competition deadline	All year groups Monday 18 March from 3:30pm
Wednesday 27 March	
	All year groups Wednesday 20 March from 3:30pm

School is closed on these dates-

Monday 19 February to Friday 23 February 2024 for the half term holidays.

Thursday 28 March 2024 due to a staff training day.

Friday 29 March to Friday 12 April 2024 for the Easter holidays.

Measles update

There have been recent localised outbreaks of measles centred around the West Midlands. Measles spreads very easily among those who are unvaccinated, especially in nurseries and schools. The best protection against measles for children and adults is to get both doses of the MMR vaccine. It is never too late to have these vaccinations.

The NHS has the following advice for parents on measles <u>here</u>. This includes information about symptoms and what to do if you're not sure if your child has measles. Advice clearly states that children and staff stay off nursery, school or work for at least 4 days from when the rash first appears. Also try to avoid close contact with babies and anyone who is pregnant or has a weakened immune system.

If your child has measles, **please let us know straight away**. We have to report all confirmed cases of measles to our Local Health Protection Team.

School meals update

North Tyneside Council has made the decision to longer provide a school meal service to any school. Miss Best and I are currently working hard to find another provider for our school meals. We had a meeting today and have a number of meetings set up. We will keep you up to date with any progress that we make.

Welcome to our new children

We are delighted to welcome five new children and their families to our Nursery. They are **Carter, Cole, Dakota, Freddie and Rosie**. They have settled really quickly.

We would also like to extend a warm welcome to **Matilda** and her family. Matilda has joined our Year 1 class.

Storm damage

Thank you so much to everyone who came to school yesterday to help us to deal with the broken fence. The fence blew down over the weekend and was blocking the path to the club room. The path to the club room is now clear and the fence has been **chopped up and taken off site**. This is a huge help to our school and was a job that Mr Ruler could not carry out on his own. Thank you so much. Great community work.

Art and design focus Rosie Children in **Red class** have continued their work on the stick transformation project in art and design 16el lessons. Again, they have explored how to transform a familiar object into new and fun forms. This week, they have made Guatemalan Worry **Dolls** using familiar objects. As you can see from the photos, the children have been really creative. Luciaha Matilda thomas