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School Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers

This week, our children took part in a truly fantastic Faith Week, giving them the opportunity to learn about, experience and celebrate a wide range of beliefs, traditions and worldviews. It has been a rich, engaging and memorable week for pupils across the school.

Children in Year 4 visited a Buddhist temple, where they learned about Buddhist beliefs and practices and showed great curiosity and respect throughout their visit.

Our EYFS children welcomed Mrs Kapur, one of our governors, who led a lively and age-appropriate session exploring Hinduism, sparking lots of thoughtful questions and discussion.

Year 3 took part in an engaging Jewish workshop in school, while KS1 enjoyed a visit from the North East Sikh Service, learning more about Sikh beliefs, values and community.

Year 6 welcomed a Humanist visitor, giving pupils the chance to explore non-religious worldviews and think carefully about values, choices and respect for others.

Year 5 visited a Sikh temple, where they learned about worship, symbols and the importance of service within the Sikh faith.

Alongside this, Year 6 also visited the Ouseburn Victorian Tunnels, where children went down into the tunnels under Newcastle themselves and learned fascinating local history about Victorian times, bringing their learning vividly to life.

We ended the week with a whole-school assembly on Friday morning, celebrating everything the children had learned and reflecting on the many different faiths and beliefs explored throughout the week. The children were a real credit to the school, showing curiosity, respect and enthusiasm throughout.

Our learning doesn't stop there! Next week alone children will continue to enjoy a range of exciting enrichment opportunities. One class will have a visit to NuCastle for a multi-sports day (yes, that is how they spell it!), giving pupils the chance to be active, work as a team and try new sports.

Year 4 will also be visiting Segedunum Roman Fort to enhance their Roman history topic, bringing classroom learning to life through our local heritage. In addition, we have an author workshop at our local library, where children will take part in fun and creative activities designed to inspire a love of reading and writing.

These experiences are a vital part of our curriculum and help make learning meaningful, memorable and fun. We are very much looking forward to another exciting few weeks ahead. Thank you, as always, for your continued support

Head Teacher - Simon Brown

Chair of Governors - Chris Robson

We sent an email earlier this week with our questionnaire. This will stay open for a few days longer should you wish to give your views. The children know the password or ask your child(ren)'s class teacher for a reminder.

DATES: February half term is from Friday 20 February until Tuesday 3rd March. (School is closed on Monday, 2nd March for a training day).

Kind regards

Mr S Brown

Head Teacher
Blaydon West Primary School

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