



# Greystoke Newsletter

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## Blue Class Assembly

Blue Class gave us their assembly last week to coincide with their topic on 'Dinosaurs'. They sang a dinosaur song and told us lots of interesting facts they had learnt about them. The children had obviously had lots of fun creating painted artwork and enjoyed reading out dinosaur poems where the audience had to guess the dinosaur!

In class the children had been on an adventure with Flora the Dinosaur Explorer and found giant eggs in the wooded area which they then wrote about.

The assembly ended with all the audience on their feet, dancing the dinosaur stomp with the children!! Well done Mrs Hawkley and all Blue Class for a super assembly.

## Twycross Zoo Visit

To encourage learning from different experiences and making education fun, lots of our children have been (and will be in the coming weeks) taking part in visits and trips both locally and further afield.

Last week our Year 2 children went to Twycross Zoo as part of their topic on 'What Makes Us Like Other Animals?' They enjoyed looking at gorillas, elephants, giraffes, meerkats and particularly the siamang monkeys who were spinning around and playing together. They also had the chance to see a rather rare Amur leopard, there being only 40 left in the wild. On their return to school the children have written some great pieces linked to their day out.

## Creepy Crawlies Workshop

In school, the year 3/4 classrooms were alive last week with creepy crawlies! The children were fascinated to see, learn about the animals habitats and feeding habits and even on some occasions hold bugs such as a snake, a red tarantula, a cockroach and a giant snail called Brian. All creepy crawlies were counted out and back in so none were left behind! The children had a great enjoyable experience.

## Nursery News

Sadly, Mrs Roberts and Mrs Russell who have been with us in the Nursery for many years will be leaving us on Tuesday 23rd May. Many of your children will have been taught by them before moving up through the school, so we know you will join us in wishing them both well for the future.

For the remainder of the year, nursery will be welcoming Mrs Smith from school to join the remaining team as the Nursery Leader.

### House Points

Dragons	91
Minotaurs	100
Phoenix	88
Unicorns	116

Well done Unicorns

### With this newsletter:

- Swimming Letter  
Rec-Year 4
- Scholastic Book Club

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**Term Dates: 2017**

**School Dates:**

**Summer**

Half Term - Monday 29th May - Friday  
2nd June 2017  
School closes Thursday evening 13th  
July 2017 for Summer Holiday

**Autumn**

School opens Tuesday 29th August  
2017  
Half Term - Monday 16th - Friday  
20th October 2017  
School closes Wednesday evening  
20th December 2017

**School Dates:**

Monday 8th - Thursday 11th May -  
Year 6 SATs  
Wednesday 10th May - Brockshill  
Year 1 Visit  
Wednesday 10th - Friday 12th May -  
Kingswood Year 4 Residential  
Friday 19th May - Botanical Gardens  
Reception Visit  
Thursday 25th May - Magenta Class  
Assembly

**Certificates**

Last week certificates were awarded to:

Declan from Emerald Class for his determination in his writing and fantastic art work in Art Club.

Jacob from Crimson Class for his improvement in his spellings and having a more positive attitude to his learning.

In Aquamarine Class Natasha for her wonderful, descriptive writing.

From Magenta Class Liam for showing increasing maturity in class and great perseverance with his work and Lia for doing some great research and creating a fantastic information text about space.

Kalen from Turquoise Class for working at a greater pace to complete tasks.

In Violet Class Katie for fantastic informative homework on toys from the past and Jack for showing positive engagement in lessons.

Alfie from Yellow Class for knowing and describing his 3D shapes in maths and also Iris for super 3D shape knowledge.

From Green Class Freya for great place value in maths.

Faith from Orange Class for superb artwork using watercolours.

In Blue Class Joseph for his super singing, dancing and delivering of lines in Blue Class assembly and all of Blue Class for performing a fantastic class assembly to the whole school. Your dinosaur stomping was amazing!

Erin from Red Class for working hard to develop her balance as characters from Jack and the Beanstalk in PE.

**10 Star Certificates** were awarded to: Brandon in Violet Class, Kornelia in Green Class and Phoebe and Eliza from Orange Class.

**Hair Accessories/  
Items in School**

Large, brightly coloured hair accessories and bobbles are not part of our school uniform policy. Please keep to small, plain hair accessories whilst in school.

**Fidget spinners** are not allowed in classrooms and we would rather they not be in school, as they are liable to be lost or broken.

**Sainsbury's Active  
Kids Vouchers**

This promotion is now drawing to a close. Please have a hunt around for any remaining vouchers and bring them to the

office as soon as possible, as they enable us to order valuable sports equipment.

