



Fellgate Primary School

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Dear Children, Parents, Carers and Governors,

This week we launched our "name the building" competition. If you haven't sent your ideas in, please do so as soon as possible!

Still places left please sign up ! JJ Sports are running a free sports camp during the Christmas Holidays for pupils in Year 2 to Year 6 in school. Unfortunately this is only available to children in the mainstream, however we hope to offer this to our Base pupils during the Easter and Summer holidays. A games bus will also be provided and a chef will come along to make some healthy meals. Lunch will be provide but please bring water! Any questions please contact the school office.

Week 1: 28th - 30th December

Week 2: 3rd - 6th January

Time: 10am - 2pm

To register please click on the following link-

<https://form.jotform.com/223073916110345>.

As we approach the end of term and the holiday season, we're aware of the heightened financial pressures that many of you are facing at the moment. As such, we want to emphasise that our staff are not expecting any 'thank you' gifts from pupils and parents. Should you still wish to give something, we would very much appreciate homemade cards and letters – kind words mean a lot!

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 15th December—Panto

Friday 16th December—Christmas Fair

Tuesday 20th December—KS1 Christmas Performance

**Wednesday 21st December—Christmas Party Day : Rowans, Acorns, Hawthorns, Maples ,
Willows, Cherries and Hollies**

**Thursday 22nd December —Christmas Party Day : Sycamores, Chestnuts, Blossoms, Oaks,
Pines and Birches**

Friday 23rd December—Inset day

Have a great weekend everyone and stay safe! Mrs Tones

Get up! Get in ! Get on!

Our attendance target is 96%

Weekly Whole School Attendance Total –87%

Rowans- 100%	Hollies –66%	Maples-78%	Cherries-99%	Birches-89%	Pines-98%	
Acorns-85%	Hawthorns- 74%	Willows-99%	Chestnuts- 85%	Blossoms- 89%	Sycamores- 94%	Oaks-84%

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Letter From: Shona Gallagher, Director of Children's Services
RE: SEND Re-Visit

Dear Parents / Carers,

I am writing to say a big thank you and to provide an update following our recent visit to South Tyneside by Ofsted and the Care Quality Commission. This was a re-visit to check progress after our previous SEND inspection in 2019.

The inspectors heard from parents/carers, children and young people and looked at the work we have done together to make improvements over the past three years. They used this evidence to judge whether we have made enough progress in the five areas that they said needed improvement.

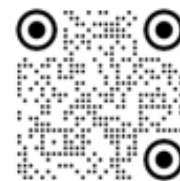
I wanted to take the opportunity to thank all of you who contributed to the survey, attended a group in person or online, for your input and contribution to this process. All the feedback we receive enables us to continue to work towards improving the system, services, and processes for all our children and young people with Special Educational Needs & Disabilities (SEND) and their families in the borough.

The inspectors have written their feedback from this visit in the form of a letter, which is available here: <https://files.ofsted.gov.uk/v1/file/50200493> and on the SEND Local Offer.

We welcome the feedback that we have received acknowledging the progress we have made, however, we recognise that there is more to do to improve the experiences of families. We have recently developed our SEND Strategy, which outlines our priorities for making improvements for families. This was designed using feedback from parents/carers and our 'What Does Good Look Like' sessions, which will be published in January 2023. We look forward to working with you to continue making improvements.

To do this, we want to continue to hear from you and understand what changes would help improve the SEND journey for your children and yourselves. You can find opportunities to get involved on the SEND Local Offer website and social media pages.

We will continue to keep you updated through our newsletter 'SEND An Update' and our SEND Local Offer, which you access by scanning the QR code here.



With best wishes.



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Our Fellgate Stars of the Week are ...

Rowans: Isaac M as he has been respectful of his friends and listening and following instructions

Hollies: Aria C for being respectful during group activities and play opportunities. Well done!

Maples: Caleb E for always showing respect to other children and staff around school

Cherries: Mylo W for being kind and friendly to staff and peers this week

Birches: Jack G for demonstrating respect to everyone around him and talking about how he can show respect to others

Pines: Jasmine K for being so kind and respectful when handing all her friends a drink at dinner times

Acorns: Alexander M for being respectful to adults and friends, and making the right choices

Hawthorns: Abigail C for working super hard and being kind to everyone she meets

Willows: Ella C for showing respect to her peers and adults in school

Chestnuts: Oscar M for always showing respect to his friends in school. Oscar thinks about the feelings of others at all times

Blossoms: Ava S for being respectful to others during our Christmas fair preparations with Pines

Sycamores: Sidney P for his fantastic effort this week. He has truly shown what he is capable of and has made us all proud with his fantastic attitude

Oaks: Jamie C for his outstanding effort in his practice test this week. He should be proud of himself!

Our Vision

At Fellgate Primary School, through an ethos of respect, challenge and resilience, we aspire to create an inclusive, safe, vibrant, happy school where each member of the school community - children, parents, carers, staff and governors - feels valued and are encouraged to be the best they can be.

We celebrate individuality, striving for everyone to reach their full potential and “shine” in everything they do.

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