

## Class News

### EYFS

What a fantastic year we have had in the Early Years at Stobhillgate! The children have been exceptional and have all made excellent progress from their starting points. I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know the children and families during my first year at Stobhillgate, and want to thank you all for being so welcoming.

It has been a very busy end to the year and I wanted to share some special highlights. At the beginning of July everyone brought their sunflower back to be measured for the competition and were blown away by everyone's efforts! I wanted to say a big well done to everyone who took part, the sunflowers were beautiful and the children now have a good understanding of what a plant needs to grow. In Nursery they learnt about the life cycle of a butterfly and were very pleased to have their very own class caterpillars. They watched with amazement as they turned into beautiful butterflies, a wonderful moment for the girls and boys to witness. They have thoroughly enjoyed learning outside, taking advantage of the wonderful weather. They have been practising hard for Sports Day and can't wait to show off their skills. Reception visited the Tynemouth Aquarium, where they learnt about how to keep our environment clean and safe for the animals. They were able to explore the aquarium and touch the sea creatures living in the rock pool. Their behaviour was exceptional which demonstrated how ready they all are to move onto Year 1.

Nursery and Reception have been learning some special songs this year and they are looking forward to welcoming their families on the final day for a special outdoor performance. We hope to see you all there!

Thank you for your continued support this year, have a wonderful summer!



## Year 1

This term has been another exciting one in Year 1. We loved our trip to Warkworth Castle – our history unit from the classroom came alive with what we learned and explored on the day. We thoroughly enjoyed our play on Druridge Bay beach too, to finish off the day.

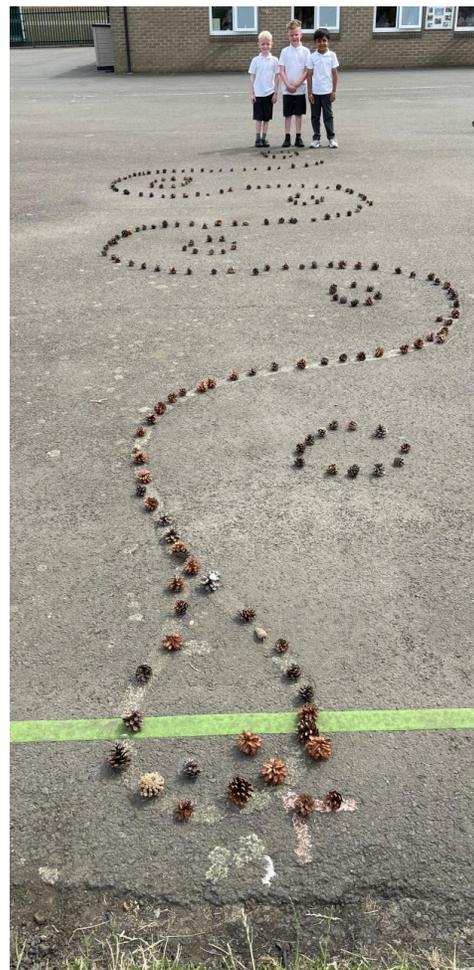
In Art we have created some amazing natural temporary sculptures, inspired by Andy Goldsworthy. Some of us even carried on this artwork, whilst at the beach too, due to being so inspired!

In computing, we are now very confident in programming our little robots, called Beebots. We gave them instructions to follow a route and recorded these as an algorithm. We then learned about how to debug algorithms too.

In English we learned that Rainbow Fish have been spotted in the River Wansbeck. We explored an information text all about them, then wrote some information texts of our own for a creature we made up.

We loved the day we spent with the Year 1 children from Wingrove Primary again. This time, they came to our school. We had a mini sports day outside with our friends and made medals to exchange with our friends. We were so delighted to see them and hope to maintain this link through Year 2.

Mrs Roberts and Mr Henderson are so proud of every single child for their progress and achievements throughout Year 1. A well-deserved summer break is definitely on the cards for each and every pupil.



## Year 2

Wow, I can't believe that we have reached the end of the academic year already!

This half term we made some moving monsters in DT. The children designed and created some fantastic monsters, working through each step with precision and attention to detail. Once again, the children supported each other through the process, and it was wonderful to see this collaboration and teamwork.

For our Art unit, we have been imitating the artist Niki de Saint Phalle, and have created some amazing animal sculptures which were based on familiar animals from fairy tales. The children were engaged from the outset, choosing and designing their models before creating the three-dimensional structures.

Back in the classroom, we have been writing a changing tale in English. We used the model text 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' and created some amazing booklets about the four beastly children. Alongside their detailed descriptions, which the children took great pride in writing, they also produced some beautiful illustrations.

In maths the children continued their unit on measurement. They have enjoyed practical lessons where they weighed different objects using the scales, and measured different volumes of liquids in a variety of containers. These lessons allowed for some outdoor learning, which was well received by all! Over the summer, you may wish to continue with this learning by cooking with your child and helping them to weigh different amounts.

I have loved getting to know each and every child in Year 2 and I will miss them dearly. They are an enthusiastic, engaging and hardworking group of children, and I am incredibly proud of everything they have achieved this year. Thank you for all of your support also. I wish everyone a relaxing and enjoyable summer, and I look forward to catching up with the children and hearing all about their next adventures in September.



### Year 3

Final instalment of our monthly newsletter! Recently, our timetable has been packed with all-sorts of fun, wide-ranging learning opportunities which have not only been academically focused but also aimed at developing personal, social and emotional confidence. Camping on our school site was a big hit with our children and certainly instilled a sense of independence and resilience in them which will serve them well for their camping trip to Hadrian's Wall this time next year as well as their life in, and beyond, school!

We love to hear about our children's achievements outside of school and Alexander was our latest. Alexander completed the children's Edinburgh Marathon Festival Run in an impressive time! Well done to Alexander and all of the other children in class who have achieved great things!

Although sports day unfortunately had to be postponed twice due to bad weather, this has not stopped us carrying it out in our PE lessons. A couple of pictures attached to show our standing long jump and its winners! That just leaves me to say it has been a pleasure to teach Year 3 this academic year and I wish them all the best in Year 4!



## Year 4

Year 4, I have loved sharing your final year of Stobhillgate with you. I wish we could do it all over again!

We have been so lucky that over this academic year, things have continued to return to "normal" and opportunities for our children have opened up again.

Year 4 have truly had a blast this year! From exciting residential at Robinwood and camping at Hadrian's Wall, to getting messy in the classroom exploring the digestive system in Science, children have worked hard throughout and have had fun doing so along the way.



This half term has continued to be a busy one! We attended Children's Countryside Day at the Glendale Show, it was a great day made even better by winning the flag competition! Huge thanks to Mrs Sexton for her time and effort with supporting the children in school on this project.

We have had two camping trips to Hadrian's Wall. Children enjoyed an overnight camp at Windshields Campsite, took responsibility for their own kit and making meals as well as two 4.5 mile walks along the wall!

We celebrated lots of sporting successes this half term; from football tournaments to the Northumberland School Games competition where Harry achieved third best overall athlete in the county! An amazing achievement!

Year 4 have shown true dedication to our end of year production of A Midsummer Night's Dream, learning lines and developing character. I am so incredibly proud of them. We look forward to our performances in the final week of term.

Congratulations to Ava and Charlotte who have won the Keep Britain Tidy, Bin it to Win it competition. There were 414 entries in total. Mayor of Morpeth, Alison Byard is coming into school to present the girls with their prize. After the presentation, the winning posters will be printed and put onto the street bins around the town. The target is to complete over the summer holidays.

I am feeling very emotional to see Year 4 go this year – They have been the perfect class and I am so grateful to have been their teacher this year. Chantry are gaining an amazing cohort of children.

Goodbye and good luck Year 4!

Miss Owens



### Year 4 memories of Stobhillgate...

My favourite memory of Stobhillgate was Robinwood, I faced all my fears, encouraged myself to do more things and things that I was scared to do.

I LOVE Stobhillgate because teachers treated me nicely and overall it was great to be here. I will really miss all of the teachers who have helped me throughout the years. Thank you to all of the teachers.

I love Stobhillgate because I made new friends, I tried lots of new things, I had THE BEST teachers and Robinwood was great!

I have enjoyed my entire experience at Stobhill, especially when I went to Robinwood- I just adored that and I have lots of special memories!

I love Stobhillgate because of all the friends I have made and all the clubs that are on offer.

I have really enjoyed my time at Stobhillgate because I have made great friends in the time I have been here, have met the must fun teachers and have enjoyed fun lessons. I'll really miss Stobhillgate!

I really love my teachers – especially Miss Owens and Mrs Bush!

I really loved camping, it was something that I have never done before but really want to do again!

I have really enjoyed Stobhillgate because our teachers are really nice. I am going to really miss Stobhillgate!

I will really miss Stobhillgate. My favourite memory was definitely Robinwood, we had so much fun there.

I have loved Stobhillgate because I can be myself.

I have enjoyed Stobhillgate because the teachers are super nice and I know that they care for me.

Stobhillgate is so welcoming and the teachers are very kind.

I have enjoyed my time at Stobhillgate because of the friends that I have met. I am really going to miss Stobhillgate.

My favourite thing about Stobhillgate is meeting friends and going on school trips and residential.

I enjoyed Stobhillgate in Year 4 because of the new friends I made. Moving schools was scary but I feel like I've always been here now. I was made to feel so welcome.

The teachers make us feel welcome and safe.

This school is amazing. I really enjoyed my time at Stobhillgate because all of the teachers are welcoming and all the children are friendly.

I love Stobhillgate because I made lots of new friends and I have a great teacher.

I really liked Lifepath, it was so much fun. My favourite subject has been English this year.

## Other School News

### Pupil Achievements

There have been so many amazing achievements this half term. Adam, Hezikiah, Theo and Megan were awarded red belts at their recent karate grading. Lilly completed her first horse show and won three ribbons. Jack received an outstanding achievement award and parents player of the year at his football club. Alexander ran in the Morpeth Fair Fun Run and the Edinburgh Marathon Festival. Hector took part in the Morpeth parkrun. Harry and Gregor took part in a swimming competition and did extremely well in both their categories. Well done everyone!



## MyON

Over the summer we would like all children to continue to have access to a vast range of books. We have created a myON account, which is an online platform with thousands of books to choose from. To enable this, the login details are:

Go to <https://www.myon.co.uk/login/index.html> and enter your login information:

- 1. School Name:** Read On England
- 2. Username:** Stobhillgate First
- 3. Password:** StobhillgateFirst123

Click on the **Sign In** button, select a book, and start reading!

Please encourage your child to enjoy a summer of reading!

### Cool Milk

Parents/Guardians of children over the age of 5 who are not eligible for free school meals will need to visit [www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com) and select the 'Register your child for milk here' option on the main home page if you would like your child to receive milk.

### Music

Music Partnership North  
Children from Year 1 to Year 4 in September can sign up for music tuition for the Autumn term. To sign up click [here](#).

Keyboard

Ms Yarrow will continue keyboard lessons in the Autumn term. You will be able to sign up in September.

### School Uniform

You can order uniform for the next school year from [Tots to Teams](#).

### Key Dates

Tuesday 6 September	School Recommences
Monday 12 September	Key Stage 1 Parent/Carer Meeting (15:30)
Tuesday 13 September	Key Stage 2 Parent/Carer Meeting (15:30)

The Parent/Carer meetings will take place straight after school. Childcare is available for your children in the classroom next door for the duration of the meeting.

## Community News

### Ellington Colliery Band

Ellington Colliery Band is a Morpeth based community brass band which runs its Brass Roots Training band - a local brass ensemble providing subsidised weekly music and instrumental teaching in Morpeth.

Currently, almost every member of our Brass Roots Band is from a Three Rivers Trust school and we are always looking for ways to further engage with the local community. In the summer, we're running a free Brass Foundations Day on Saturday 20th August, 10:00 - 16:00 at Morpeth Methodist Church in conjunction with the Brass Bands England foundation. This will be a day of professionally led music and brass workshops suitable for children of all ages and abilities. Participants will be able to try out playing brass instruments as well as play games and have a go at making samba music too!

The event is completely free and is just about giving children an opportunity to try something different during the summer. For more information, and to sign up to the visit, you can visit our website here - [Northumberland Brass Band Workshop — Ellington Colliery Band](#).

### Stobhill Link

Stobhill Link is a charity in Stobhill, Morpeth with a popular school uniform bank made up of donated preloved school uniforms for Morpeth Schools. The service aims to prevent clothing going to landfill and provide free school uniform items.

Donations can be dropped off at:

Stobhill Link  
37 Shields Road

Morpeth NE61 2SA

They are open weekdays between 9am and 2pm and you can call in to browse their stock.

## Action for Children

**Summer programme** *Action for Children*

**ASHINGTON CHILDREN'S CENTRE**

**Safari Messy Play**  
Wednesday 27th July  
10:30 - 11:30  
Safari themed messy play session  
Children 0 - 5, older siblings welcome

**Teddy Bears Picnic**  
Friday 29th July  
11:30 - 12:30  
Bring your own lunch to enjoy with fun activities! **Morpeth Stobhill School**

**Teddy Bears Picnic**  
Tuesday 02nd August  
11:00 - 12:30  
Bring your own lunch to enjoy with fun activities | Walk to the **Hirst Park**

**Animation Studio**  
Friday 05 August  
13:00 - 14:30  
An opportunity for children aged 7+ to create their own animated video

**Baby Tone**  
Tuesday 09th August  
10:30 - 11:30  
A fun exercise class for you and your baby  
More suitable for non mobile babies

**Summer playgroup**  
Tuesday 09th August  
13:15 - 14:15  
Learning Together Through Play  
Summer themed session for children 0 - 5

**PLEASE CALL THE CHILDREN'S CENTRE TO BOOK A PLACE 819988**

**Didi Divas** *zumbini WITH HANNAH* **Zumbini's**

Thursday 11th August  
10:30 - 11:30  
For children aged up to 5 | A fun toddler session focused on dance and fun

Friday 12th August  
Non Walkers 13:15 - 14:00  
Walkers 14:15 - 15:00  
Sing, Dance & Play session

**Peppa & JJ Lunch**  
Thursday 18th August  
11:30 - 12:30  
Come along and create a lunch - Special guests JJ & Peppa will be here!

**Fair Day**  
Tuesday 23rd August  
10:30 - 12:30  
Come along to our Summer Fair for fun activities and to see Mr Merlin!

**Teddy Bears Picnic**  
Tuesday 30th August  
11:30 - 12:30  
Bring your own lunch to enjoy with fun activities | **Pegwood Bowling Green**

**South Shields Trip**  
Thursday 28th July  
09:30 - 15:00  
£2 per adult | £1 per child  
Bus leaves at 09:30

**Saltwell Park Trip**  
Thursday 01 September  
09:30 - 15:00  
£2 per adult | £1 per child  
Leaves the centre at 09:30

**active Northumberland**

**PRIORITY IS GIVEN TO CHILDREN AGED 0- 5 LIVING IN THE AREA**

## Emma Bunting

[Emma Bunting](#) specialises in designing and creating cotton bunting, made to last year after year, all produced in Britain. They provide hand-finished, machine embroidered, heat-pressed vinyl or machine printed bunting. There is no minimum or maximum order and there are no rules as to what they can or can't create, if they can draw it, they can create it.

A big thank you to Mrs Sligo who created the lovely flags for the performance and bunting for the school!