

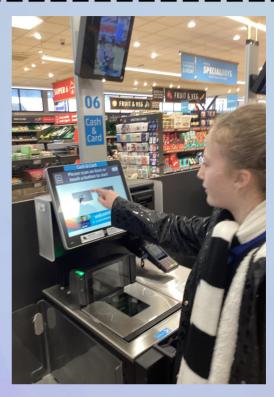
# Benton Dene School Newsletter 16.02.24



Blue 6 shopping for ingredients for their Chinese New Year feast!











#### Harbour - Domestic abuse service

If you need urgent advice, please call 0300 020 2525 which will be answered 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Emails and messages sent via this page will be checked and responded to within normal office hours. If you are in immediate danger, always call 999.



# First Response Service

The First Response Service offers short-term practical and emotional support for those aged 11- 18 affected by domestic abuse and/or abusive relationships, who are resident or studying in North Tyneside.

#### We can provide:

- A dedicated worker who will work alongside the young person
- Safety & support planning and advocacy
- Practical advice, guidance and mentoring
- Support delivered flexibly to meet the needs of young people, including face to face sessions, phone support, texts & online messaging, and a flexible drop-in service.

For more info:
www.acornsproject.org.uk
0191 349 8366
07712 862858
admin@acornsproject.org.uk

Initial support offered within one week, usually less.

# North Tyneside Autism Hub

For parents / carers of children who are on the diagnostic pathway or post diagnosis of autism.

Children must be living in North Tyneside

#### We have the following dates available:

Riverside Family Hub NE29 6DQ	Howdon Family Hub NE28 OAL
09/01	16/01
06/02	13/02
05/03	12/03

#### north east autism society



Shiremoor Family Hub NE27 OTA

> 23/01 20/02 19/03

### Supporting your autistic child workshop

The workshop will cover:

- · worries and action planning
- · common misconceptions
- · differences in autistic children
- · practical strategies to use in everyday life

These sessions will run 10-12 and must be pre-booked.

### One to one appointments

These appointments are for families that have questions or would like to discuss any issues in confidence.

These appointments are available between 9-10 and 12.30-4 and must be pre-booked.

To book please contact Rebecca Weatherstone on 0191 410 9974 or rebecca.weatherstone@ne-as.org.uk





## FREE WORKSHOP

# Introduction to Positive Behavioural Support (PBS)

Debbie Austin is a family carer, her daughter Lucy has a dual diagnosis of Down Syndrome and Autism.

Debbie will describe how PBS has successfully helped her to understand the communication behind Lucy's behaviours, and as a result has not only seen an increase in Lucy's happiness and quality of life, but a significant decrease in the behaviours themselves.



This is the final PBS Workshop in this series. Please book soon to avoid disappointment. Sessions are limited so booking essential.

Wednesday 6 March 2024 10am - 2pm in person



# The Baltic



Exhibition

# Brighten your month with Residential

Until Sunday 25 February Weds - Sun | 10am - 6pm

There are only a couple of weeks left to explore <u>Project Art Works Residential</u>, a colourful exhibition that centres neurodivergent artists. Found in our Ground Floor Gallery, these artworks are bold, inspiring and make space for making verbal and nonverbal conversations.

#### Class News

Yellow 3: Have been learning about 3D shapes in maths. We have been working very hard to identify and sort the different shapes.

Yellow 4: Have enjoyed making pancakes for Shrove Tuesday and have made lots of special crafts to send home for Valentine's Day.

Green 5: Have been YouTubers and making their own blogs about different life cycles! Green 6: Have been writing about their homes as part of their English work this week. They have really enjoyed sharing photographs of their homes with their friends and talking about where they live.

Green 7: Have enjoyed taking part in Valentines crafts this week. We have also talked about 'Lent' and made our own pancakes on Shrove Tuesday! The toffee sauce was our favourite topping!

Green 8: Loved their walk through Northumberland Park.

Red 1: Have enjoyed learning about the life of an earthworm in our non-fiction T4W book. Red 2: Had a fantastic time at Northumberland Zoo looking at the different animals and their habitats. We found some of the animals that are in this half terms story 'Monkey Puzzle'.

Red 3: Have enjoyed a great day at Ouseburn farm, learning about the different work they do within the community.

Red 4: Have enjoyed making pizzas this week as their final lesson in exploring Italian culture - food.

Red 9: Have enjoyed trying some foods that come from Italy in our Geography lesson. We have also been looking at the differences between Italy and the UK.

Blue 5: We went to Newcastle Central Mosque. In RE we have been learning all about Islam. We asked lots of questions! we also had a great time flipping pancakes and eating them.

Blue 6: This week a trip to ALDIs to purchase food for BDS Chinese New Year celebrations. We composed a shopping list, brought all the items on the list and once back at school, shared and delivered the food to each class. Once cooked we sat down together and enjoyed our Chinese food.

Blue 7: Made Challah bread as part of their learning about Judaism. Challah bread is the bread eaten at Shabbat, the Jewish holy day.

Blue 8: In Science, Blue 8 have been testing materials to see if they conduct electricity.



#### Headteachers Award

Yellow 3: Mabel, Yellow 4: Tobi,



Green 5: Lilly, Green 6: Lucas, Green 7: James, Green 8: George,

Red 1: Nina, Red 2: Faith, Red 3: Walter, Red 4: Bobby-Lee, Red 9: Micahel,

Blue 5: Alex, Blue 6: Jack, Blue 7: Jaymie, Blue 8: Reyansh,



#### Inspire Award

Yellow 3: Theo, Yellow 4: Lincoln,



Green 5: Jake, Green 6: Noah, Green 7: Ethan, Green 8: George,

Red 1: Jake, Red 2: Aiston, Red 3: Tommy, Red 9: Matilda,

Blue 5: Louis, Blue 6: David, Blue 7: Ismaael, Blue 8: William,