



Benton Dene School Newsletter

18th March 2022



Dates for your Diaries

11th April—22nd Easter Holiday

Reminders

Our school day finishes at 3.15

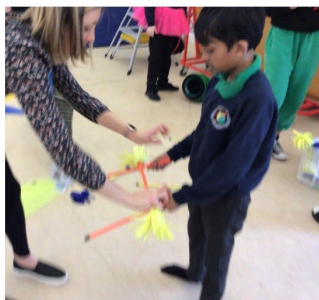
We have lots of preloved uniforms available if anyone is in need of any, please just send a message in by seesaw.

Dance Festival

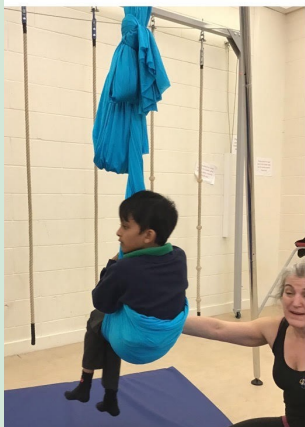
On Tuesday some children from Blue and Green Zone performed at North Tyneside schools dance festival at Whitley Bay playhouse. The children were amazing, we were so proud of them!



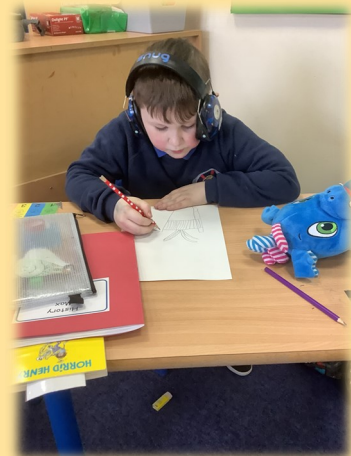
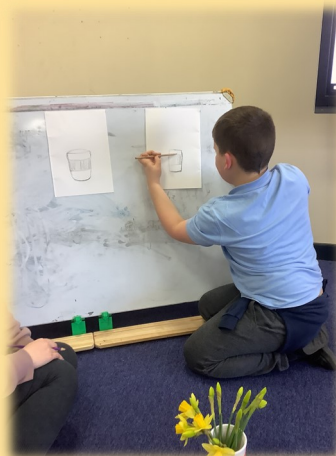
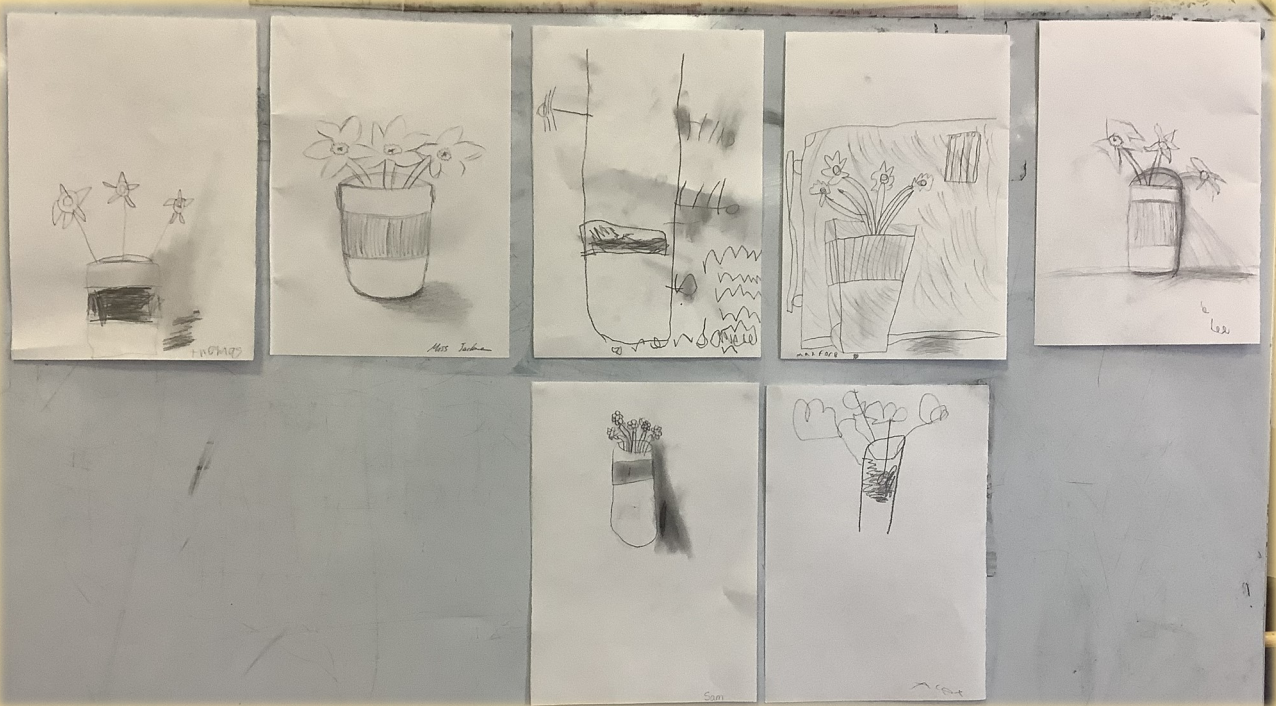
Circus Skills came to school to work with pupils from Yellow, Green, Red and Blue zone. Pupils loved practicing all of the different circus acts and improved their motor skills while they were at it.



**CIRCUS
SKILLS!**



Blue 7 have been studying flowers in art this half term. Take a look at some of our 'budding' artists' drawings below.



Next week, some of the classes in Green Zone are visiting Newcastle Dog and Cat Shelter. To say thank you for having us, we'd like to take some donations with us. If you'd like to send any pet food, bedding, treats, hay etc into school before Friday 25th March, we're sure all the animals would really appreciate it! Thank you.

Thank you for all of your kind donations for Red Nose Day. The pupils have had a wonderful time!



**RED
NOSE
DAY**



Cookery Club Recipe of the Week



**Berry Banana
Cheesecake**

Ingredients (serves 2):

- 2 digestive biscuits
- 2 tbsp thick plain low fat yogurt
- 2 tbsp fromage frais
- 1 banana
- 6 strawberries
- 1 tsp honey
- 1/2 tsp vanilla essence
- Dusting cocoa powder

Method

1. Put the digestive biscuits in a food bag, and using your fists press into small pieces. Pour a layer of the crumbled biscuits into the bottom of each glass.
2. Slice half the banana into a jug, add the honey, vanilla essence, yogurt and fromage frais. Use the hand-held blender to mix the ingredients until smooth. Pour the mixture over the crushed biscuits, sharing evenly between the biscuits.
3. Leave in the fridge for at least half an hour to chill. Just before serving, slice the strawberries and the rest of the banana and place on top of the cheesecakes, sharing the fruit evenly between the glasses. Dust lightly with cocoa powder.

P.E at Benton Dene School

Climb the rope!

- 1) Pretend to climb a rope!
- 2) Reach your hands above your head one at a time and pull the rope down.
 - 1) Lift your knees high and climb on the spot.

Challenge

At a chosen moment, shout 'freeze' to test children's balance.



Class News

Yellow 3: Yellow 3 have started their new book 'The Hungry Caterpillar'. We have been learning about Spring and painting beautiful flowers and rainbows.

Yellow 4: Yellow 4 had some special visitors this week. The circus performers came and showed us lots of tricks. The children loved getting involved and trying to perform the tricks themselves. They loved going upside down on the silk swing.

Green 5: Art this week has focussed on different media to create different lines, curves, spirals etc. We have really enjoyed experimenting with colour and lines.

Green 6: Green 6 thoroughly enjoyed our visit from the Circus Central this week and loved experiencing some of the equipment they use.

Green 7: Green 7 have learned about the artist 'Orla Keily' and have enjoyed making their own textile.

Green 8: Green 8 have enjoyed making bug hotels in Enterprise.

Red 1: Red 1 had a fantastic time with Circus Skills this week. We have a lot of budding magicians and gymnasts!

Red 2: This week we had a special treat and some visitors came into school to show us some circus skills!

Red 3: This week we have started the process of making our props needed for the school production.

Red 4: Red 4 have been learning about the history of Hexham and Tynemouth

Blue 5: This week we explore what life was like for the children in 'The Blitz' during WW2 in our History lessons.

Blue 6: This week in Blue 6 we are learning about World War 2, we have been talking about The Blitz.

Blue 7: The children have been creating dragon designs in T4W. The children then drew their dragons and labelled them with adjectives and powerful similes.

Blue 8: Blue 8 have been planning some walks out of school to explore different methods of transport.

Blue 9: B9's Talk4Writing this half term is The Trojan Horse. We are learning the difference between a myth and a legend, building up to writing our own legend.

Stars of the week



Yellow 3: Nico, Yellow 4: Aaron,



Green 5: Karam, Green 6: Shay, Green 7: Oliver, Green 8: Reyansh,

Red 1: Quinn, Red 2: Ismael, Red 3: Jade, Red 4: Jake,



Blue 5: Lewis, Blue 6: Jess, Blue 7: Max, Blue 8: Olivia, Blue 9: Connor S

Inspire Award of the week



Yellow 3: , Yellow 4: William,

Green 5: Noah, Green 6: Cohen, Green 7: James, Green 8: Iliya,

Red 1: Taylor and Kieran, Red 2: Riley, Red 3: Anne, Red 4: Louis,

Blue 5: Kian, Blue 6: David, Blue 7: Lee, Blue 8: Ethan, Blue 9: Luca