

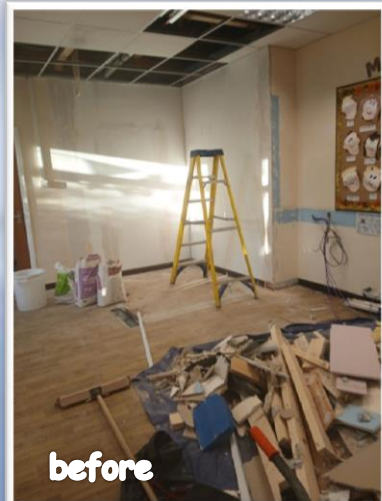


# Little Miller's News



The Newsletter of Fulwell Infant School Academy  
Mrs Angus's message...

Number 9  
17th January 2025



Classroom cupboard removed to enable role play area.



## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Dear parents,

Hoping all families had a lovely Christmas and that the new year will be happy and healthy for everyone.

The children have returned to school full of excitement but quickly settled into routines and responded to expectations. This term is a very busy one with many different things happening and some year groups will be going out on visits. Year 2 will visit Durham Cathedral to learn more about St Cuthbert, as part of their studies in History. Year 1 will be visited by an expert from Beamish as they study Victorian life and how things have changed, particularly within our homes. Class 9 are visiting West Boldon Lodge as part of their current interest in dinosaurs and fossils. This will be after half term in March. You will have already received the curriculum information for this half term, which is also on our website.

Over Christmas, the cupboard from class 7 was removed and the room made good. The photographs above show the impact. The children were thrilled with their new role play area which represents 'Space' their current learning theme. They enjoyed printing moon paper plates and creating rockets from 2D and 3D shapes on Friday afternoon, with me.

There have been some changes to Reception and Year 1 phonics lessons. Each half term children are re-assessed and matched correctly to the most appropriate group for their learning stage. Children have therefore changed groups and moved on with their learning. Groups are now mixed across reception and year 1. This is working well and it was a pleasure to see them all in action yesterday during phonics. Phonics takes place at 9.10 each morning so it is essential children are in school on time each day. Their on-line books will continue to be read at home after the children have used them in lessons during the week. Shared readers will continue to be sent home each Friday.

The recent freezing weather led to a burst pipe in Hagrid's hut which is in the process of being resolved.

We welcome Ms J Cowie into the Fulwell family. Ms Cowie will be supporting class 4 in the mornings and is the lunch supervisor for class 1.

Parents are reminded NOT to take term time holidays as attendance continues to fall as a result. **Currently attendance is 95.5% (lower than last year) and we are aiming for 96%. Thanking you for your support with this.**

Best wishes

Wendy Angus

# RECEPTION-LOOK AT WHAT WE CAN DO NOW!

## Fascinating Fossils



A fossil is an animal or plant that has been preserved in rock. Fossils are found in layers of rock called strata.

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## Amazing Astronauts



Astronauts go to space in a rocket. They have to wear a space suit and a helmet. They also have to eat and drink in space.

## Blast Off!

Write a list of things you would take to space.

1. Toy  
2. Food  
3. Book  
4. Pop  
5. Bag  
6. Bed

Challenge: Write a list of things you would take to space.

Space is in a rocket!

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10.1.2023

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Challenge: Check your work makes sense and make a simple correction or addition.

Learning Objective: Addition and subtraction.

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$8+2=10$   $10-8=2$

$6+4=10$   $10-6=4$

$7+3=10$   $10-7=3$

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# YEAR 1-LOOK AT WHAT WE CAN DO NOW!

## Do you know about medicine safety? (RSE)

RSE: To understand simple issues of safety and responsibility about medicines and their use.

14.1.2023

One day Harold found some things on the table. What do you think they were?

He found some medicine.

Challenge: What advice could people feel better after than taking medicines?

Harold thought they looked like sweets but he wasn't sure.

What should Harold do?

He needs to tell a trusted grown-up.

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# ART



# YEAR 2-LOOK AT WHAT WE CAN DO NOW!

Geography  
To map four countries in UK and their capital cities  
Progression: lines, capital cities, rivers, borders, coastline and national heritage

Thursday 4th January 2025

North Atlantic Ocean

Scotland

Wales

England

Northern Ireland

English Channel

River Sever

Key

National Heritage

Did you know a continent is a landmass which means it is a large piece of land that has been continuous since the world was created. There are seven continents in the world.

Asia

Did you know that Asia is the largest continent in the world? Interestingly the Himalayas are the world's tallest mountains in the world.

North America

Did you know that North America is the second largest continent in the world? In North America there are 54 countries. In North America there are giraffes, elephants, zebras, lions, and tigers.

South America

Did you know South America is the third largest continent in the world? In South America there are 12 countries. In South America there are llamas, alpacas, and vicuñas.

Europe

Did you know Europe is the sixth largest continent in the world? In Europe there are 50 countries. In Europe there are castles, castles, and castles.

Africa

Did you know Africa is the second largest continent in the world? In Africa there are 54 countries. In Africa there are giraffes, elephants, zebras, lions, and tigers.

Australia

Did you know Australia is the sixth largest continent in the world? In Australia there are 6 states and 2 territories. In Australia there are kangaroos, koalas, and emus.

Antarctica

Did you know Antarctica is the smallest continent in the world? In Antarctica there are no countries. In Antarctica there are penguins, seals, and ice.

Learning Objective  
To complete a dictation focusing upon key spellings, letter formation and punctuation.

Friday 10th January 2025

Gregory Cook

The horse stopped outside a very small house. He really liked the smell of the bread and butter which he ate as they took him inside and showed him his room. The dog was very happy to see him and he called Gregory take up the road running with just a stick over his shoulder. It was so hot to hearing the sun pouring in from the open windows that he knew there were no trees or grass and he called out to the people that Gregory was taking him to see. Gregory thought it was a good idea to see what was there. He went to the house and saw that there were some people there. He saw that the people were very old and he had been here here before.

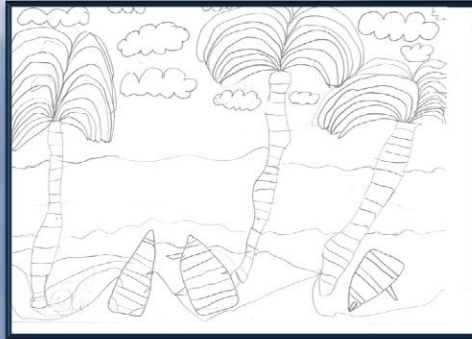
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Challenge  
Use a green pen to edit your work. Ask your partner to decide on a target for your writing. Write your target down.

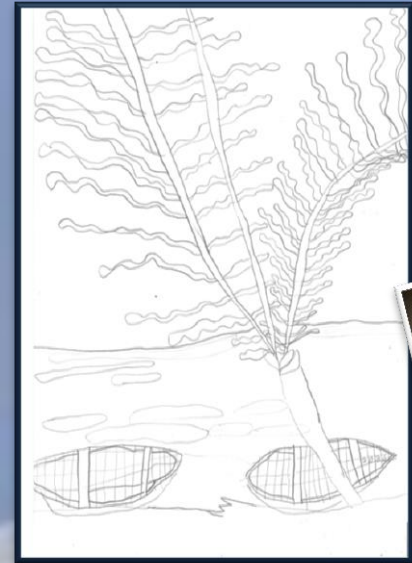
To practice the word no.

# GEOGRAPHY

# ART



Class 2 worked with me recreating a piece of Caribbean Art. The Artist was Shari Erickson and next week, oil pastels will be used.



Class 2 are being taught by Miss Birch from Fulwell Juniors for a few weeks, whilst Miss Dickinson teaches Miss Birch's Year 5 class on a Thursday morning. This exchange is a great way for us to sharpen our understanding of the curriculum the children receive at Fulwell Juniors and also for them to understand and appreciate the standards our Year 2 children are achieving.