Newsletter May 2017

Fidget Spinners

Please do not allow your child to bring a fidget spinner to school. We have found that rather than helping a child to focus on their work they are causing a distraction. If we feel that a child would benefit from something to help them concentrate or remain focused we will provide it for them.

Children's Cancer Run

Well done to all those families that took part in the Children's Cancer Run on Sunday 21st May. I would like to thank our Parents and Friends for organising the school entry and Mrs Purvis for arranging the distribution of t-shirts. Sponsor money can be paid online at http://www.childrenscancerrun.co.uk/teams/dinnington-first-school

Nut Allergy

Please remember that one of our children has a severe nut allergy; please do not include nuts and any products containing nuts in your child's packed lunch.

Attendance and Punctuality

For the last three weeks attendance and punctuality are as follows:

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| Week Ending | 5 th May | 6 |
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| Week Ending | 12 th May | 18 |
| Week Ending | 19 th May | 14 |
| Week Ending | 25 th May | 7 |

Attendance

| Week Ending | Reception Class | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 |
|-------------|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 05.05.2017 | 92% | 97% | 99% | 98% | 95% |
| 12.05.2017 | 88% | 99% | 97% | 97% | 97% |
| 19.05.2017 | 99% | 93% | 100% | 96% | 96% |
| 26.05.2017 | 96% | 97% | 98% | 98% | 99% |

Punctuality has improved slightly and for two weeks this half term late arrivals were less than 10.

Year 2 are our best attenders this month and this half term all children in Year 2 have reached our punctuality target. Well done Year 2!

Please remember that absence during term time can only be authorised for exceptional circumstances.

Daft as a Brush

A group of our children went to Daft as a Brush Headquarters in Gosforth to plant flowers in our school planter. Despite the very wet weather the children enjoyed the experience and we look forward to visiting again to see how our plants are growing.

Thank you for supporting our Daft as a Brush Fundraising Day. The children (and staff) enjoyed taking part in our talent show and the whole school enjoyed watching. We are all amazed at the variety and quality of talent we have in our school. I will let you know how much we have raised after the half term.

Admission to Nursery

We still have some unallocated places in our Nursery for September 2016. If you have any family members or friends who would like a place please collect an application form for them or direct them to our school office