



25<sup>th</sup> September 2020

## Autumn 2 Newsletter

Dear Parents

### **Thank you!**

We would like to say a big “thank you” to all our parents for following the guidance regarding COVID. We really appreciate you wearing a mask on site and your efforts to maintain social distancing in order to help keep our school community safe.

### **Playground Leaders**

Ms Lee-Turner from the School Sports Partnership is working with our children in Years 2, 3 and 4 to train them to become Playground Leaders. The children were offered the opportunity to sign up to be a leader and are now learning games that they can teach and lead to the other children in school to enjoy during break times.

### **European Day of Languages**

Saturday 26th September is European Day of Languages. This is a celebration of the amazing number and variety of languages spoken across Europe. In school we have marked the event today with a selection of activities with the children.



#### **Hoopstarz**

Our children in Years 1 and 2 enjoyed a hula hooping experience today when the lovely people from Hoopstarz came to Tritlington to work with them.

They all had a fantastic time.



#### **Music Tuition Options**

The Music Service is offering a mixture of in-person lessons and online lessons this term.

##### **In-person lessons**

A separate email has been sent out to all our parents with eligible children in Years 2, 3 and 4. Please respond promptly if your child wishes to receive tuition.



**Online lessons** - the Music Service is giving first priority for online lessons to children that are not able to access in-person tuition at school. To sign up for online lessons this term, click on [this link](https://paritorliveparentv4.azurewebsites.net/2302/). <https://paritorliveparentv4.azurewebsites.net/2302/> **creating an account, please select “centre” from the two options and then “MPN online” from the dropdown box.**



The offer available is 20 minute or 30 minute online lessons for either 5 or 10 weeks. The cost of a 20 minute lesson is £12 per lesson and a 30 minute lesson is £17.50 per lesson.



**Exciting new event - The Climb!** The Climb is an activity that can take place indoors on stairs or outdoors on steps or actual hills, so is very flexible. This will be especially helpful if some families are going to have to self-isolate over the next few months and in light of the new local lockdown measures so it could be a good way to keep morale up, have something to aim for and keep busy as a family. There are 6 challenges ranging from Tossion Hill at Simonside (440m) right up to Mount Everest (8848m). A mobile app will enable you to log your ‘climbs’ and receive digital rewards (milestones) along the way to keep you motivated. If you are interested in taking part in this exciting new challenge, please read the attached further details or check out the links below.

Full event details and the opportunity to register (for free) are on the website here:



<https://www.neccr.org.uk/event/the-climb-2020/>

FAQ's can be found here:

<https://www.neccr.org.uk/event/the-climb-2020/faqs/>

And, here is a quick write up on what to expect from the mobile app:

<https://www.neccr.org.uk/news/the-climb-the-story-behind-the-mobile-app/>

### **First Aid in school**



We have reviewed our procedures in school when dealing with any accidents the children have while at school. Where a child has a minor injury, such as a grazed knee or small cut, you will notice that they will have a sticker stating they have had an accident while at school. Please come and speak to a member of staff so they can advise you what has happened. If your child has had a bump to the head or a more serious accident, we are still using the forms with details of the incident and first aid measures taken in school which parents need to sign and retain a copy of. Thank you for your continued cooperation.

### **Free school meals**

If you are in receipt of certain benefits, your child might be eligible for free school meals. Even if your child is in receipt of Universal free school meal entitlement (those children in Reception to Year 2 or currently have packed lunches, you can still apply and the school will receive additional funding. Please contact Northumberland County Council on the number on the attached leaflet for further information.

### **ACCESS TO DIGITAL DEVICES**

In order to ensure that your child has access to appropriate work in the case of a bubble closure or lockdown, we would ask you to fill in the following information for the class teacher. This will help us to organise work as quickly as we can and cause minimal disruption to your child's education. Digital devices are classed as PCs, Tablets (Apple and Android), laptops and smartphones.

*Please circle the answers applicable:-*

- My child has their own digital device and does **not need** paper based work packs.
- My child has access to a digital device but shares this and would need paper based work packs.
- My child does not have access to a digital device and would need paper based work packs.
- I do not have internet access at home.

Child's name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Parent / Carer

Please pop this slip in the post box on the yard, or why not email to save paper, as soon as possible..

If you cannot print out this letter, please email the main office on: [admin@tritlington.northumberland.sch.uk](mailto:admin@tritlington.northumberland.sch.uk) marked "for the attention of" followed by the name of your child's class teacher.

Thank you

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