



# Sunnybrow News

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A very belated happy new year to you all. It's been a pleasure to welcome the children back into school and see them quickly settle back into school life.



Class One have started their new topic of 'Winter' - perfect timing for the wintry weather we have had this week! They had a delivery of a winter topic box and there have been lots of 'snowmen' in the class! Class Two have been planning their own versions of the story 'George and the Dragon'. They have been creating plans and learning to write in note form. In Class Three, I walked into a biscuit tasting lesson! The children were evaluating biscuits according to packaging, target audience, appearance, texture and taste. That is my kind of lesson!

Our older children are continuing to do our little school proud by representing us in many sporting fixtures. Currently, they are sitting in first place in the Dodgeball league!

Bishop Auckland Schools Dodgeball - Spring League 2024					Week 1 17th Jan					Week 2 24th Jan				
	Played	Won	Draw	Loss	Points	Position		Played	Won	Draw	Loss	Points	Position	
St Annes	0	v	4	Toft Hill			Sunnybrow	3	2	1		7		
St Helens	0	v	3	Wolsingham			Wolsingham	2	2			6		
Escomb	1	v	2	Sunnybrow			Thornhill	2	2			6		
Willington	1	v	3	Thornhill			Toft Hill	2	1		1	4		
Wolsingham	3	v	0	St Annes			Escomb	2	1			3		
Sunnybrow	1	v	1	Toft Hill			St Annes	3			3	0		
Thornhill	4	v	0	St Helens			St Helens	2			2	0		
Willington	0	v	2	Escomb			Willington	2			2	0		
St Annes	1	v	2	Sunnybrow										



I'm sure you will have all noticed that Mrs Jones has now joined our office team. She will be working the start of the week, with Mrs Clarke-Boyd in on Thursdays and Fridays.

### Packed Lunches:

A polite reminder that we do have a packed lunch policy in place to ensure that packed lunches are as nutritious as our school lunches. We have noticed an increased amount of chocolate and sweets creeping into them. They should include the following:



- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February-LGBTQ+ History Month
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February-Children's Mental Health week
- Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February-Safer Internet Day
- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February-Chinese New Year Celebration
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February-School closes for half term
- Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February-School closed for Teacher Training day
- Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February-School reopens



### School attendance for the year:

- Class 1: 77.8%
- Class 2: 98.0%
- Class 3: 95.1%
- Class 4: 90.7%

### Safeguarding:

Worried about a child out of school hours?

- At least one portion of fruit or vegetables (for example, grapes, strawberries, apple, carrot or cucumber sticks)
- Dairy products such as low fat milk, cheese or yoghurt
- A healthy sandwich, wrap or pasta salad which might include proteins such as meat, oily fish or egg
- Healthy drinks such as water, diluted juice (no added sugar) or semi-skimmed or skimmed milk

Treats: Packed lunches may include one small treat such as;

- Popcorn, a small packet of baked crisps or crackers or rice cakes
- A small treat-size chocolate bar, cake or biscuit

Fizzy drinks are not permitted. Sandwiches must not include chocolate spread or jam.

**Online Safety:**

According to Ofcom, 69% of under-18s use a smartphone as their main method of going online. Additionally, 49% of children use them for online gaming – putting smartphones only behind consoles (59%) as the device of choice for playing games on. Most people won't require such statistical evidence, however, to acknowledge the huge importance of phones to young people.



Given that Santa's recent visit is likely to have bestowed smartphones on an even greater number of young people, it's a particularly opportune moment to ensure that children are able to use their handsets responsibly – and, above all, safely. From passcodes to parental controls, and from screen time to scams, the National Online Safety #WakeUpWednesday guide has the essential advice.

- If a child is in **immediate danger or at risk of immediate harm**, you should contact the **Police on 999**.
- If you are **concerned** about a child you should share your concern with the **First Contact Team on 03000 267 979**.
- You can also contact the **NSPCC** for advice on **0808 800 5000** or email [help@NSPCC.org.uk](mailto:help@NSPCC.org.uk)
- If you have **non-urgent** information about the safety or welfare of a child to share with the safeguarding team at Sunnybrow Primary School please contact **Mrs Sim** on 01388 746 413 or [sunnybrow@durhamlearning.net](mailto:sunnybrow@durhamlearning.net)



Headteacher's Award: Kara

	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4
English Star	Harley-Jaye	Scarlett	Toby	Teagan-Lea
Multiplication Star	Mia	Jack	Evie-Grace	Dexter

Exceptionally Talented	Lia	Darcy-Mai	Katie	Rosie
Citizen of the week	Ellie	Charlotte	Kayleigh	Megan
Dojo	Roman	Jack	Jessica	Ellie
Honest Empathetic Ambitious Respectful & Resilient Trustworthy				