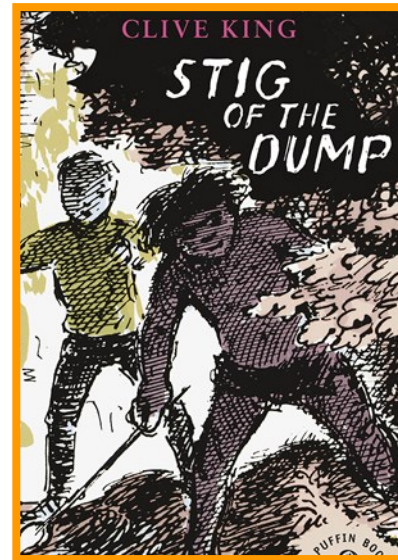


Blue Group

Blue Group have been focusing on the novel 'Stig of the Dump', written by Clive King. Blue Group have used their creative skills to link the novel within their art lessons to create a magical canvas cave painting. The children developed new painting techniques by researching how to create a stone background for the most astonishing effect. The pictures tell the story a beautiful friendship of Barney and his best friend, cave-man Stig, learning to communicate with each other without language.



Purple Group

This term we have started looking at aspects of The John Muir Award. It is an environmental award scheme and so far we have visited Bamburgh Beach and Craster in Northumberland, we are looking forward to going to The Farne Islands in the next coming weeks as most of the group have never been on a boat at open sea before... Let's just hope it's a sunny day!

Purple Group have been given the opportunity to join in some therapeutic horse riding sessions. So far we have had two lessons and it has been a great success!

Over the next few weeks hopefully the children will have the chance to go out into the fields open riding with the instructor.

And Finally.....

We are overjoyed to announce the opening of our school library. Thank you to all the staff for helping to get the space ready for World Book Day. Pupils love the room and are already making great use of it for group and individual reading sessions

Northumberland PRU

SPRING NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2019

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- MOMO— information shared with parents.
- Please see our updated curriculum and Spring planning on our website.
- New appointments— information to follow.

Spring Newsletter 2019

Exciting News!

Miss Hodge is currently completing her Level 1 Forestry Schools qualification. This will mean that pupils will have the opportunity to engage in kinesthetic outdoor learning to enrich their curriculum. Photo's to follow.

Gone but not forgotten

This half term we are sad to see Mrs Hardy leave us to take on new challenges. We wish her all the best in her future adventures.

John Muir Award

The John Muir Award is an environmental award scheme that encourages people to connect with, enjoy and care for wild places. Pupils in Upper school haveAll sorts of people get involved, including families, adults and young people. The John Muir Award is a structured framework in which activities are identified by learning groups

The course has been tailored to meet the needs of pupils, the wild places, and desired outcomes (such as meeting the Curriculum for Excellence). Pupils will meet four challenges that lie at the heart of each John Muir Award.

Please see curriculum for details.

PRU Updates

School Meals

This half term we are trialling hot school dinners. We believe that it is important for pupils to be provided with a nutritious hot meal each day (see attached menu for options). Feedback from pupils so far has been positive.

School Counsellor

Kalmer counselling will be in each Tuesday to support pupils. The service offers one to one counselling for bereavement, anger management and SEMH. If you would like further details please contact the school office.

Horse Riding

This term Upper school pupils have the opportunity to participate in weekly horse riding sessions at Pegasus Riding school . If you are interested in your child attending this curriculum enrichment activity, please contact the group teacher.



Red Group

Red Group have been out on lots of educational visits including a trip to the Pennine's to take part in a speed walking and map reading. The Children have also been taking part in sports lessons within the local sports hall, this has been a great experience for the children, they have really enjoyed this experience.

Selected children from Red Group have been asked to take part in horse riding sessions. This is a nurturing approach to help the children develop hand-eye coordination, core strength and muscular development. As a child progresses in their horse riding skills, they develop self-confidence and self-assurance.



Yellow Group

Within Numeracy Yellow group this term have focused on different aspects to do with measuring. We have concentrated on converting cm's—m's, ml's-l's and g's-kg's.

We have also looked into E-Safety and how this is so vitally important in staying safe online. Children have contributed well to this, drawing up some very mature

and appropriate responses. We have also celebrated 'World Book Day'. Within this children took part in enriched and enjoyable activities. We also had the grand opening of our new library.



Cookery

Upper school cookery lessons have been really successful over the last few weeks. Children have focused and gained independent skills within the lesson. All children have taken part in cookery from most groups and have really enjoyed the lessons. It is really rewarding to see the children gaining life skills which will benefit them throughout their future.

Children are able to work towards reward cookery lessons, the children strive to remain focused within lessons.

