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*"THE SMALL SCHOOL WITH THE BIG HEART"
"El Colegio mas pequeño con el corazón mas grande"*

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Dear Parents,

It has been another fantastic week in school with lots going on. If you happened to be in the school car park on Monday or Tuesday you might have been forgiven for thinking you had come to the wrong place as it was so full of cars! As part of our involvement in the Weardale Tub project we hosted members of our local community as well as artists, poets and film makers and the children did a wonderful job of welcoming them even though, at points, they were totally outnumbered by adults!

Sumdog Competition – As you may remember from last week's newsletter, the juniors have been taking part in a week long Sumdog maths competition that finished yesterday. Competing against 18 other classes spread over seven schools and a total of 267 children, I am delighted to announce that Wearhead Primary School finished in **first place** with 729 points. Class 5C at Cockton Hill Junior School in Bishop Auckland were our closest rivals who put on a valiant last minute push yesterday and came in second with 543 points. All of our children who were able to take part came in the top 35 in the individual competition, with four of our children finishing in the top ten. The most encouraging part of the competition was that children were able to compete at their own level as the scoring was based on accuracy of answers. It was a real team effort with everyone adding to our total score. The children were very engaged and I was really proud of the effort, perseverance and team work they demonstrated. As well as certificates, the children have won a six month premium subscription to Sumdog for the class which unlocks a range of exciting games that they can use to sharpen their maths skills.

Easter Assembly – The children are working very hard putting together their Easter Assembly presentation and they would very much like to invite parents and members of our local community to come along on. Please come and join us in the school hall on **Thursday 4th April at 2.00pm**, if you can, to watch our Easter Assembly and enjoy some refreshments.

Egg Jarping Competition - This will take place on Thursday 4th April! There will be PRIZES!

Easter Bonnet – As well as our Easter Assembly and Egg Jarping competition we would like to invite the children to make an Easter Bonnet. These can be on any Easter theme and we would love it if you could work with your children to help them create it over the next week and a half. We would like the Easter Bonnets to come in to School on **Monday 1st April**. There will prizes and the bonnets will be on display at our Easter Assembly.

THE WEARDALE TUB - On Monday and Tuesday we took part in an inter-generational heritage project - about industry old and new in Weardale. Every pupil made a glass tile which is going to feature on a large lead mining 'tub' at Killhope. We are delighted to be part of such a wonderful project which has been funded by our area action partnership and follows on from the very successful WE ARE WEARDALE writing project two years ago. Please visit the website for a taste of how the project unfolded.

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Spanish Football – Thursday 28th March for those in the juniors. Finishes at 4.15pm.

Scholastic Book Club Last chance to place your order online by 23rd March via <http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/wearhead>. Tick that you are using your £1 token where requested. You can use more than one voucher per book ordered.

Unused World Book Day Tokens – please return to school if you aren't using them as Mrs Hayes maybe able to obtain free books with them. Many thanks.

Collection for Great North Air Ambulance – The school will be having a collection on **Tuesday 30th April**. It is also a chance to have a clear out! In addition to clothing they take curtains, towels, handbags, belts, shoes in pairs, and bedding, apart from quilts and pillows. They do not collect bric a brac but will happily take books, CD's and DVD's in a separate bag.

Atentamente
Tim Hiley and Staff

