



April 2024

Newsletter 14 – 19.4.24

SECTION 1: ATTENDANCE

WORKING TOGETHER TO IMPROVE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

- Good attendance at school is essential for children to get the most out of their school experience, including their attainment, wellbeing and wider life chances.
- Nurseries and First Schools play a vital role in embedding good attendance habits.
- Even at First School, children with the highest attainment have higher rates of attendance.
- National data shows us that children not meeting the expected standard in reading, writing and maths had an overall absence rate of 4.7% (so their overall attendance was 95.3%).
- The overall absence rate of children not meeting the expected standard was higher than among those meeting the higher standard (4.7% compared to 2.7%).
- For the most vulnerable pupils, regular attendance is also an important protective factor and the best opportunity for needs to be identified and support provided.
- Research has shown there are clear links between regular absence from school and harm for children (90% of young offenders have been persistently absent as young children) and serious violence (83% of knife possession offenders had been persistently absent for at least one year).

Improving school attendance is everyone's business. Please support us in promoting the benefits of good attendance with your child - not only for their education but, also, to support their wellbeing and future life chances. Thank you.



WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

	Whole School Attendance <small>(excluding Nursery)</small>	Highest class attendance!	Second place	Third place
Wb 25.3.24	95%	Nursery (97%)	Year 4 (96%)	Reception (96%)
Wb 15.4.24	97%	Year 2 (99.3%)	Nursery (99%)	Year 4 (98%)

Our school target for attendance is 97%.



Please let Mrs Coates know, via ParentMail, if your child will be absent by 9:00am at the latest. Thank you.

If your child is not in school when the register closes at 9.15am (even if this is for a medical or dental appointment), they are marked as absent for the whole morning session. Therefore, we would encourage parents to make medical appointments outside school time, wherever possible please. Thank you.

If you are experiencing any difficulties and need support with your child's attendance, please contact school as soon as possible. Mrs Gurkin can visit you at home or meet you in school to offer support and advice.

We will now be taking appropriate legal action for children who are deemed persistent absentees (under 90% attendance). Please see the attendance policy on our school website for further information.



MINUTES MISSED

During this fortnight, 160 (2 hours and 40 minutes) minutes of learning time have been missed in school due to lateness. Please try to arrive on time at school, between 8:35am – 8:45am. Thank you.

PUPIL ABSENCES

	Whole School absence <small>(excluding Nursery)</small>	Absence caused by holidays	Other absences
Wb 25.3.24	5%	1%	4%
Wb 15.4.24	3%	0.5%	2.5%

As you know, there is no entitlement in law to time off in term time. Children who are absent from school fall behind in their learning, they miss school events and many find it difficult to catch up. In addition, school staff have to divert their attention away from other children in order to support those that have fallen behind due to a holiday related absence.

For this reason, any request for leave of absence due to holidays in term time will not be authorised. In the case of all unauthorised leave of absences, incurring 8 or more unauthorised sessions (4 days), an application for a Fixed Penalty Notice will be made to the Local Authority.

SECTION 2: SCHOOL CELEBRATIONS!



SCHOOL VALUES

As you know, our school values are love and determination, based on the Bible passage: Be courageous; be strong. Do everything in love (1 Corinthians 16:13-14). The following children have been nominated by staff and/or peers for showing these values in school. Well done everyone!



	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Staff member(s)
Demonstrating Love	Esme Josiah	Eric Leo	Franco Harry	Ivy Hannah	Leo Jacob D	Victory Charlie	Mrs Ahmed Mr Brown
Demonstrating Determination	Izzy Naeto	Ira Aaidah	Scarlett Henry	Hadin Sienna	Omar Lydia	Karlo Victory	Mrs Singh

HANDWRITING HEROES

As a school, we continue to have a real drive to improve handwriting, presentation of work and spelling. Each week, class teachers will choose someone who has worked hard to improve their presentation or who consistently demonstrates exemplary standards of presentation. Well done and thank you to the following children:



Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
Ollie Archie	Ava Maliha	Ebuka Ivy	Esme Charvitha	Monty Amara

TIMES TABLE ROCKSTARS

By the end of Year 4 children are expected to know all their multiplication tables up to 12 x 12 and Year 4 children undertake their statutory Multiplication Tables Check in the summer term.



The following children have either earned a new TTRS title or engaged highly with TTRS during the last fortnight. Well done everyone!

	Children Need to Learn	Highest accuracy this fortnight	Highest engagement this fortnight	Average Daily Minutes this fortnight
Year 2	x 2, x 5, x 10 (and corresponding division facts)	Max Cr Henry Ebuka	Max Cr Ebuka Henry	3
Year 3	x 2, x 5, x 10, x 3, x 4, x 8 (and corresponding division facts)	Rehan Theo Jacob D	Jacob D Rehan Theo	2
Year 4	All tables to 12 x 12 (and corresponding division facts)	Lauren Alfie Emilia	Lauren Isaac Emilia	2
Current rank of ARFS among nearby schools		13	Mean studio speed (seconds per question)	3.9

SECTION 3: SOCIAL ACTION

SCHOOL COUNCIL

This half term, the School Council will be “re-branded” as our Love & Determination Ambassadors. More info to follow!



WORSHIP COUNCIL



I am sure you will agree that the Worship Council prepared and led the Easter service at All Saints' wonderfully.

LIBRARY CHAMPIONS

Posters have been put up in the library this week with reading recommendations from staff! Mrs Armstrong loves 'Danny the Champion of the World – by Roald Dahl' and Mrs Crozier has recommended 'Gangsta Granny – by David Walliams'.



PLAY LEADERS



This week our Year 4 play leaders have introduced hockey and basketball to our playground! We are looking forward to lots of new activities as the weather improves in the coming weeks.

SECTION 4: SCHOOL NEWS!

BEST SUMMER EVER

Newcastle's Best Holiday Ever is a programme funded by the Department for Education for children who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals or in need. It is designed for families in Newcastle to help children, young people and their parents have fulfilling, active, fun-filled and healthy school holidays.



<https://www.newcastlesupportdirectory.org.uk/best-ever-holiday-activities-and-food-haf-programme>

FREE SCHOOL MEALS



Are you entitled?

If you are in receipt of benefits, you may qualify for Free School Meals (Pupil Premium funding). You can check and apply for Free School Meals here <https://www.newcastle.gov.uk/services/schools-learning-and-childcare/help-school-and-learning-costs/apply-free-school-meals>

If you would like further information about free school meals, please speak to the school office – it is quite straightforward to check eligibility!

Children who qualify for Pupil Premium can also claim free Breakfast Club places, discounted uniform and educational visits can be paid for using the funding received by school.



PARKING

A reminder that parents/carers are asked not to block access to driveways/garages please. Parking surveillance cameras are now in operation on Christon Road. Thank you.



PERMISSION TO COLLECT



As you know, we only dismiss children to adults who have been named on collection forms. If another adult is picking up your child or if your arrangements have changed, please let us know in advance to avoid distress and confusion. Thank you.

SUMMER TERM CLUBS

Summer term clubs started on Monday. We have a range of activities for children to choose from:

Club	Open to:	Day/time	Book via:
Nursery Buddies	Nursery, Years 3 & 4	Tuesday 12:30pm*	Email Mrs Coates (admin@archbishop.newcastle.sch.uk)
Colouring Club FULL	Nursery, Reception, Years 1 & 2	Monday 12:30pm*	Email Mrs Coates (admin@archbishop.newcastle.sch.uk)
Young Leaders	Years 3 & 4	Monday 12:30pm*	Children have already begun this last term – no need to re-book.
Library Champions	Years 2 & 3	Monday 12:30pm*	Children have already begun this last term – no need to re-book.
Recorder Club FULL	Years 1 – 4	Monday 12:30pm*	Email Mrs Coates (admin@archbishop.newcastle.sch.uk)
Games & Puzzles Club FULL	Rec – Year 4	Monday 12:30pm*	Email Mrs Coates (admin@archbishop.newcastle.sch.uk)
Green Team	Years 1 - 4	Monday 12:30pm*	Attendance is only for nominated Green Team members.
Choir	Years 1 - 4	Wednesday 12:30pm (early lunch)	No need to re-book if children are already part of choir. If there any additional children that would like to join, please let Mrs Coates know.
KS1 Football	Years 1 & 2	Friday 12:15pm (early lunch)	Bring boots & kit – no need to sign up, just turn up
KS2 Football	Years 3 & 4	Thursday 12:15pm (early lunch)	Bring boots & kit – no need to sign up, just turn up
KS2 Football*	Years 3 & 4	Tuesday 3:30pm – 4:30pm	Parents need to book this via https://ls-sports-coaching.classforkids.io/term/126

*Usual lunch arrangements apply

Huge thanks to the staff for making these activities possible for our children. It is great that we can offer such a range of activities!

CHILDREN'S CANCER RUN

If you have not yet signed up for the Children's Cancer Run on Sunday 19th May, it's not too late! You can help to raise money to support children diagnosed with cancer in our region, making life a little better for them and their families. It will take place on at Newcastle Racecourse.



It is quick and easy to register to take part.

- Families register to run directly through the event website, choosing our school from the drop-down menu.
- Runner packs for our school team, including the children's t-shirts, will be sent to our school in early May, along with a list of our runners.
- Our runners will have their own online fundraising page and we can track our school total so you can see how much we raise.
- Our school will be allocated a start time so that we can all run together, meeting at our school meeting point.

Miss Halliday and I will be running three sessions for children in Years 1 - 4, 3:15 - 4:15pm, on:

- Thursday 25th April
- Thursday 2nd May
- Thursday 9th May

If your child would like to stay for any of these sessions, please complete the ParentMail form. Children should be collected from the field gate (next to the kitchen/staff carpark). Please note that these sessions will be cancelled in the event of rain. Children will need to bring appropriate footwear to change into please.

PARENT WORKSHOPS

Thank you to everyone who completed the ParentMail form. We are now looking at responses and planning next steps.



WRAPAROUND

This week, Mrs Lowe has sent out a form to seek parental views as part of our consultation to extend wraparound care at ARFS from September 2024. We would be grateful if parents and carers could complete this so we can assess if the extension to hours would be viable.

Please remember that children who are in receipt of free school meals or who are recorded as Young Carers are entitled to free places at Breakfast Club. Please contact Ms Lowe for further information.

NATIONAL SCHOOL SPORTS WEEK 2024



This year, School Sports Week will be held 17th – 21st June 2024. This will be an opportunity to relax our usual timetable and offer children an opportunity to try new activities and sports throughout the week. This will also be when class sports days will take place (see dates attached). Children will be asked to wear active wear, have hair tied up and jewellery removed for the full week in order to take part in activities. Please also remember that children need to be able to fasten their own shoes (so do not send children in lace up shoes unless they can tie their laces), please.

If there are any parents/carers with a particular interest in, or experience of, a sport/activity who would be willing to share their expertise with our children, we'd be really grateful. Please contact Mrs Francis (Kathleen.Francis@archbishop.newcastle.sch.uk)



EARRINGS

A reminder that all jewellery, including stud earrings, should be removed before school. As a school, we have a legal responsibility to ensure children can participate in PE lessons safely, which includes removing all personal effects, including ear and body piercings. Health and safety law takes precedence over other guidance because of the implication of “safety of others”.

Children who are wearing earrings will therefore be unable to take part in PE lessons if they wear earrings at school.

PE - SUMMER TERM



Year 1	Thursday
Year 2	Monday
Year 3	Friday
Year 4	Friday

Please remember that children in Years 1 – 4 should only wear their school PE kits on the days they have PE (see above). This comprises navy hoodie/jumper and tracksuit bottoms and/or royal blue shorts with a yellow t-shirt and running shoes that children can fasten themselves. Please do not wear own clothes for PE. Thank you.

GST PHOTO COMPETITION

Gosforth Schools Trust are holding a Photography Competition across all 9 First Schools and 2 Middle Schools. Children from all year groups are invited to submit a photograph which shows “Signs of Spring” before Friday 26th April. Please remember to include your name and class! There will be a winner selected from each age phase.



Please email entries to Mrs Coates in the school office.

Transition to Year 1

RECEPTION TRANSITION TO YEAR 1

From Monday 29th April, in readiness for moving to Year 1, children in Reception will enter school via the main cloakroom from the yard (where Years 1 and 2 enter) instead of through their classroom door. Reception children should initially enter at 8:30am please (and will be greeted by Mrs Egdell) and **Years 1 and 2 can enter after Reception at 8:35am.** Please could we ask children in Years 1 and 2 to stand back to allow Reception to enter first whilst they are getting used to their new routine. After the first few days, when Reception children are comfortable in their new routine, we can resume the usual 10 minute window for all children. Thank you in advance for your understanding.

NATIONAL OFFER DAY

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Primary school places



Tuesday 16th April was National Offer Day where families were informed of their Reception place allocation for September 2024. We are looking forward to welcoming our new Reception families (many of whom are already in our Nursery). Mrs Francis will be in touch with further information in due course.

Please remember to accept the school place you have been offered. For further information and advice you can visit <https://www.newcastle.gov.uk/services/schools-learning-and-childcare/apply-school-place/applying-reception-places> or contact School Admissions directly via email admissions.information@newcastle.gov.uk

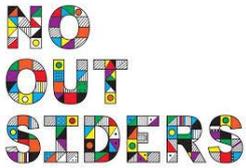
Late applications can be made to the Local Authority until 10th May.



PTFA

Huge thanks to our PTFA who have secured funding for planters for our Forest School area through Wickes. We would be really interested to hear about any suggestions of future events. Please email archbishopruncieptfa@gmail.com Thank you.

You can also join the PTFA Facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ArchbishopRunciePTFA/>



NO OUTSIDERS

Andrew Moffatt has rearranged his postponed visit for Tuesday 14th May. He will visit each class during the day and share stories that include implicit messages about belonging (such as it is OK to come from different families, different backgrounds and have differing beliefs to other people and that we are all different, special and welcome). He will also lead an “open lesson” from 2:45-3:15pm in Year 2 for those

parents/carers who would like to come along. In our school, we talk a lot about belonging to our “school family” and our school value of love so No Outsiders dovetails wonderfully with our ethos.

If any parents/carers would like to attend, please let Mrs Coates know via email (admin@archbishop.newcastle.sch.uk).

READING BUDDIES

We are looking to recruit reading buddies to help in all classes. If you (or a friend or family member) could spare an hour a week, please email class teachers who will be delighted to hear from you! You will require DBS clearance through our school – please speak to Mrs Coates or Mrs Lowe who will arrange this. Thank you in advance!



COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week, we have been thinking about spirituality and what this means to different people. We have thought about connecting with nature, with others, with ourselves and with God.



CHURCH LINKS

It was wonderful to end last term celebrating Easter at All Saints'. It was also great to hear so many of our families attended Easter activities at both churches.

You will see on the dates attached that our next service will be held at St Nicholas' Church (opposite South Gosforth Metro station) on Friday 17th May. As usual, children can be collected from church after the service. Mrs Coates will be sending out a collection form via ParentMail.

SAFEGUARDING

Mrs Massey, Mrs Francis and Mrs Crozier are our school's Designated Safeguarding Leaders (DSL). Mr Brown is DSL for Wraparound care. If you have concerns about a child, please contact one of us. If it is an emergency and a child is in immediate danger, please call the police. Members of the public can also report concerns to Children's Social Care directly. If you have a concern about a child please contact one of the following:

- Initial Response Service – 0191 277 2500
- Northumbria Police – 101 (in an emergency always dial 999)
- NSPCC Helpline – 0808 800 5000



There is also a secure online referral form available for you to explain your concern, if you are a member of the public. <https://nccportal.newcastle.gov.uk/forms/referral/public>

For more information, you can read our Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy on our school website.

With my very best wishes,

Kate Massey

Headteacher

Be courageous; be strong.

Do everything in love.

1 Corinthians 16:13-14



The poster features the Gosforth Schools' Trust logo at the top, which consists of five stylized human figures in green, blue, purple, pink, and yellow. Below the logo, the text reads "Signs of Spring PHOTO COMPETITION". A central instruction says "Take a picture to show signs of spring." To the right is a photograph of a landscape with a tree and a field. Below this are two pink boxes: "COMPETITION DEADLINE APRIL 26" and "WINNERS ANNOUNCED MAY 03". Further down, it says "Email or hand in your photograph to your school along with your name and year group. A school winner will be selected for EYFS, Years 1&2, Years 3&4, Years 5&6 and Years 7&8. A GST winner will be selected for each group." At the bottom, there are two photographs: one of two sheep and one of tulips. To the right is a camera icon with a purple circle containing the text "GIVE US YOUR BEST SHOT!". The bottom instruction reads "Show your photography skills to win a prize."



DIARY DATES

New dates are in red, for your information

Monday 22 nd April	Year 1 leading Collective Worship	9:00am	Parents and carers welcome to attend
	Year 4 Forest School	pm	Children need to wear usual uniform top with joggers and bring named wellies to change into please.
Wednesday 24 th April	Class Photographs	All day	
Thursday 25 th April	Running Club	3:15pm	For children taking part in NECCR – please sign up via ParentMail
Friday 26 th April	Deadline for GST Photo Competition	-	See info in Newsletter 10
Monday 29 th April	Reception children enter school via the main cloakroom	8:30am	
	Year 3 Forest School	pm	Children need to wear usual uniform top with joggers and bring named wellies to change into please.
Tuesday 30 th April	Year 3 & 4 visit to Safety Works	am	This visit will be confirmed on Monday if we have had sufficient voluntary contribution.
May 2024			
Monday 6 th May	Bank holiday – school closed	-	
Thursday 2 nd May	Running Club	3:15pm	For children taking part in NECCR – please sign up via ParentMail
Friday 3 rd May	GST Photo Competition winners announced	-	
Tuesday 7 th May	Year 2 Forest School	pm	Children need to wear usual uniform top with joggers and bring named wellies to change into please.
	Year 1 and Year 2 Active Lifestyle workshop	pm	Children need to wear PE kit for school please (no earrings and hair tied back).
	Reception visitor from Newcastle Mosque		
Thursday 9 th May	Year 4 leading Ascension worship	9:00am	Parents/carers welcome to attend
	Running Club	3:15pm	For children taking part in NECCR – please sign up via ParentMail
Monday 13 th May	Year 1 leading Christian Aid Collective Worship	9:00am	Parents and carers welcome to attend
	Year 1 Forest School	pm	Children need to wear usual uniform top with joggers and bring named wellies to change into please.
	Healthy Active Lifestyle opportunity for Nursery & Reception children	am	Children will wear PE kits already in school
Tuesday 14 th	No Outsiders demo lessons,	TBC	

May	open lesson and staff training		
Wednesday 15 th May	Year 5 staff from GCMS to teach Year 4 (in school)	pm	
Thursday 16 th May	Year 4 Residential at Dukeshouse Wood	Depart 1:30pm	More info to follow
Friday 17 th May	Pentecost Service at St Nicholas' Church (led by Year 3)	1:30pm	Parents and carers invited to attend.
Sunday 19 th May	NE Children's Cancer Run	TBC	Please save the date! https://childrenscancernorth.enthuse.com/pf/kate-masse-357dc
Monday 20 th May	Children who took part in NECCR can wear their t-shirt and medal for school		
	Nursery & Reception Forest School	pm	Children need to wear usual uniform top with joggers and bring named wellies to change into please.
Tuesday 21 st May	Year 2 Trip to Whitley Bay		More info to follow
Wednesday 22 nd May	Year 1 Mosque visit	am	More info to follow
Friday 24 th May	Year 4 leading Trinity worship	9:00am	Parents/carers welcome to attend
	GST Daft Day	All day	Children are invited to wear something "daft" for school e.g. odd socks, clothing back to front. Donations can be made to Daft as a Brush via ParentMail
27.5.24 – 31.5.24	May Half Term	-	School closed to children
June 2024			
Monday 3 rd June 2024	Staff training day	-	School closed to children
Tuesday 4 th - Friday 7 th June	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check	Mornings	Statutory Assessment for Year 4 children
Thursday 6 th June	80 th Anniversary of D-Day - commemoration and lunch	Noon	Children who usually have packed lunch are welcome to have a themed D-Day lunch (bookable via ParentMail)
Friday 7 th June	Wear wellies for Winston's Wish	All day	https://www.winstonswish.org/ More info to follow
Wb Monday 10 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screen Check	-	Statutory Assessment for Year 1 children
Friday 21 st June	Family Quiz Night	5:30-7:00pm	More info to follow
Monday 17 th June- Friday 28 th June	Year 3 swimming	1:30pm-2:15pm daily except Thursday 27 th June	See info on ParentMail wb 22.4.24
Monday 17 th June- Friday 21 st June	School Sports Week	-	Children need to wear active wear for school all week. Please send children in school PE kits on their Sports Day.
Monday 17 th June	Year 2 Sports Day	2:00pm	Please wear school PE kit. Parents and carers welcome to attend. Please enter via the school field gate at 1:50pm.
Tuesday 18 th June	Reception Sports Day	2:00pm	Please wear school PE kit. Parents and carers welcome to attend. Please enter via the school field gate at 1:50pm.
Wednesday 19 th	Nursery Sports Day	9:30am	Please wear school PE kit. Parents and

June			carers welcome to attend.
	GCMS staff to teach Year 4 (in school)	am	
Thursday 20 th June	Year 1 Sports Day	2:00pm	Please wear school PE kit. Parents and carers welcome to attend. Please enter via the school field gate at 1:50pm.
Thursday 20 th June	Year 4 Diocesan Leavers Service at Newcastle Cathedral	10am – 12noon	
	Year 1 walking tour of Gosforth	am	
Friday 21 st June	Year 3 Sports Day	9:30am	Please wear school PE kit. Parents and carers welcome to attend.
	Year 4 Sports Day	2:00pm	Please wear school PE kit. Parents and carers welcome to attend. Please enter via the school field gate at 1:50pm.
Monday 24 th June	SEND Reviews for relevant children	From 3:30pm	Please book via ParentMail
Thursday 27 th June	Year 3 sleepover at school (no swimming today)	All day	See info on ParentMail
Friday 28 th June	Final Year 3 swimming session	1:30-2:15pm	
July 2024			
Monday 1 st July	Reception visit to the Discovery Musuem	All day	More info to follow
Tuesday 2 nd July	Year 2 visit to Grace Darling Museum & beach		More info to follow
Wednesday 3 rd & Thursday 4 th July	Transition Days		Children will “move up” to their new class to spend time with their new class teacher (current Year 4 children will go to GCMS or their new school)
Monday 8 th July	Drop in opportunity for parents/carers to discuss any queries about end of year reports with class teachers	3:30-5:00pm	No appointments – just turn up
Thursday 11 th July	Music Concert at All Saints' Church	1:45pm	More info to follow
	Year 4 Leavers' Party at All Saints'	3:30pm TBC	More info to follow
Tuesday 16 th July	Whole school visit to Tynemouth beach	All day	More info to follow
Thursday 18 th July	ARFS has talent celebration	am	If your child has won a badge, award or trophy in one of their out of school activities since Easter, they can bring it into school so we can celebrate their achievements.
22.7.24 – 30.8.24	Summer Holidays		School closed to children
September 2024			
Tuesday 3 rd September 2024	School re-opens to children		

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Do everything in love.

1 Corinthians 16:13-14

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

NURSERY 30 HOUR PLACES

Childcare **Choices** Applying for 30 hours free childcare through the childcare service

-  Apply through the childcare service: <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>
You will need to confirm your identity.
-  If successful you will receive an eligibility code – '50xxxxxxxx'
-  Take this code to your childcare provider with your NI number, child's date of birth and complete a Parent Declaration form.
-  Your childcare provider checks the code is valid – and if valid – confirms when you can start and reminds you to **reconfirm – every 3 months**
-  Every three months, reconfirm your eligibility through the childcare service (helpline below)

Your 30-hour eligibility code has a validity end date.
If you fail to reconfirm or become ineligible, you will stop receiving the extra hours. If you are unsure discuss with your provider immediately. This is your responsibility.

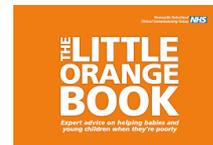
For support call Customer Interaction Centre on **0300 123 4097**



HEALTHIER TOGETHER

The Healthier Together website (<https://www.nenc-healthiertogether.nhs.uk>) provides accurate and trusted healthcare advice for parents/carers, young people and professionals in the North East and North Cumbria. You can find parental advice on illnesses, allergies, vaccines, child development as well as many other topics. You can also download the Healthier Together app.

The Healthier Together website also includes the Little Orange Book which provides advice for babies and children when they are poorly.



WRAPAROUND BOOKINGS



Bookings for Wraparound Care are managed by Child Care Bookings for Schools. This will make managing and making bookings far easier for parents and carers. You can still pay using either a debit/credit card or using childcare vouchers.

The URL to access the booking system is <https://archbishop-runcie.cbfs.uk/>
Contact email address: archbishopruncie@childcarebookingsforschools.co.uk
Contact phone number: 01444 523335



COMMUNITY HUB NORTH



Children & Families Newcastle is part of a community network providing activities and services across four localities in the city for babies, children, young people and families. We are part of the North Community Hub. Community hubs link to other buildings in the locality to create a network of venues that offer activities and services.



The community hubs also offer a range of services including – health visiting, family support, community midwifery, mental health support, children's therapies, youth provision, training opportunities, childcare and employability services. To find out what is available near you,



telephone your local Community Hub at Fawdon Children's Centre, Cairns Way, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE3 2SN. Telephone 0191 2115773 Monday to Friday 8.30am to 4.30pm.
<https://www.newcastlesupportdirectory.org.uk/north>



SEND PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

Does your child have a special educational need or disability? Would you like to talk to other parents/carers or get advice from professionals? Whether your child has a formal diagnosis or not, you are invited to drop in to the SEND

Support Group for an informal place to chat and get advice.



PUPIL PREMIUM FUNDING

The school is given £1480 per child in order to further strengthen our offer to families. We do this by ensuring these children get additional support in school and by funding events (such as educational visits and other activities) to ensure all children in school have access to equal opportunities. We would encourage all

families to check their eligibility for this funding <https://www.newcastlelea.org/CitizenPortal LIVE/en>

If you are unsure or need help, please see Mrs Lowe.



UNIFORM LIBRARY & EXCHANGE

We now have a pre-loved "Uniform Library" in the main entrance for anyone who needs to borrow, exchange or replace any uniform items. This is not only to help cut costs for families but we are also aiming to have a positive environmental impact by reducing waste and pollution caused by textiles. Please come along and help yourselves. Cash donations can be

made to the PTFA at the school office. Thank you.

Donations of outgrown uniform can also be made at the school office. Please ensure items are clean and name labels are removed. Thank you!

