



# November 2024

## Newsletter 5 – 8.11.24

### 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 compared to those with the lowest attainment.
- National data shows us that children not meeting the expected standard in reading, writing and maths also had lower attendance.
- 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.

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.

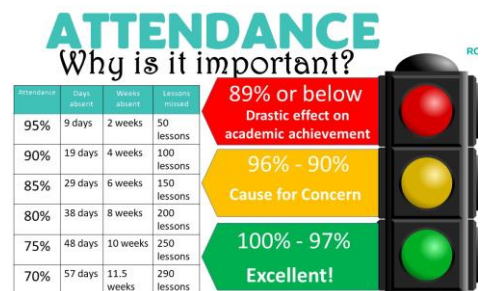
#### WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

	Whole School Attendance (excluding Nursery)	Highest class attendance!	Second place	Third place
Wb 21.10.24	84%	Year 2 (92%)	Reception (88%)	Year 4 (81%)
Wb 4.11.24	91%	Reception (96%)	Year 3 (95%)	Year 4 (88%)

Did you know ...?

- 95% attendance = two weeks absence
- 90% attendance = 4 weeks absence
- 85% attendance = 6 weeks absence
- 80% attendance = more than half a term of absence
- 75% attendance = more than 9 weeks of absence

Please remember that I am unable to authorise absences during term time for family holidays. We would be grateful if parents/carers could also inform grandparents, family and friends, who may be looking to book birthday or Christmas trips away, that these do not fall under exceptional circumstances and will not be authorised.



If you need any support regarding attendance, please do not hesitate to come and speak to us as we can help you access support from the school nurse, attendance officer or other appropriate services.

We recognise that children may have a legitimate reason to be absent from school, and we are also aware that some families face difficulties which may impact on their child's education, therefore the traffic light system has been put in place in an attempt to support families by highlighting concerns at an early stage.



We hope that you will continue to support our school by promoting school attendance and by informing us if you feel there are any issues that are preventing your child from attending school regularly. If you would like to discuss this further, please get in touch.

### MINUTES MISSED

During this fortnight, 85 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.



For children who arrive late, more than once in a week, we run a Friday lunchtime catch-up session with class teachers.

### PUPIL ABSENCES

	Whole School absence (excluding Nursery)	Absence caused by holidays	Other absences
<b>Wb 21.10.24</b>	16%	1.5%	14.5%
<b>Wb 4.11.24</b>	9%	1%	8%

## 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
<b>Demonstrating Love</b>	Milana Muhammad	Amanah Charlie	Sami Aaidah	Lyla Ayesha	George P Harmony	Nialah George R
<b>Demonstrating Determination</b>	Otis Ollie	Torin Oliver Y	Yashika Archie	Ruby Fatima	Ivy Mac Cr	Rehan Omar

### 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 engaged highly with TTRS in the past fortnight. Well done everyone!

	Children Need to Learn	Highest engagement this fortnight	Highest accuracy this fortnight
Year 2	x 2, x 5, x 10 (and corresponding division facts)	Cai Lyla Musa	Cai Lyla Musa
Year 3	x 2, x 5, x 10, x 3, x 4, x 8 (and corresponding division facts)	Isaac Elvis George P	Elvis Joshua George P
Year 4	All tables to 12 x 12 (and corresponding division facts)	Nialah Bella Albatool	Albatool Rehan Theo

Current rank of ARFS among nearby schools	27	Mean studio speed (seconds per question)	5
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Year 4 had a brilliant TTRS day on Monday and Year 3 have celebrated being rock stars today - they all looked fabulous!



### 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
Izzy Margot	Penny Billie	Anneloise Sacha	Rio Phoebe	Bella Rosa

## SECTION 3: SOCIAL ACTION



### GREEN TEAM

Green Team are really getting into their stride and, now that the brambles have been cut back, are managing to collect lots of litter from the surrounding area.

### LIBRARY CHAMPIONS

Mrs Norman and the Library Champions have continued to meet regularly to maintain the library in school. We have received a donation of books so, next week, Library Champions will be learning to use Accelerated Reader Book Finder to search for and label the new books before integrating them into the library.



### PLAY LEADERS

Our Play Leaders have enjoyed the unseasonably warm weather this week. They have organised some whole school games including their infamous obstacle course and arranging a performance! Well done Bella and Scarlett!



### YOUNG LEADERS



This week in Young Leaders, we looked at famous leaders from around the world and looked at their personal attributes. We decided that communication, honesty and a clear goal were the most important attributes a leader can have.

## CHARITABLE GIVING

We have a small amount of poppy merchandise remaining, which is available to buy in school. Monday will be the last day these items are for sale at ARFS. Children can bring money in a named envelope if they wish to make a purchase.



Next Friday (15<sup>th</sup> November), we will be celebrating Children in Need. Children are invited to wear something spotty for school and make a donation via ParentMail. Thank you in advance.

## SECTION 4: SCHOOL NEWS!

### PTFA

Following the PTFA AGM, this week, the following events are coming up:

- Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November – Festive Film Night after school. Tickets at a cost of £5 per child can be booked by emailing the PTFA. Please then send cash to school in a named envelope and drop it in at the main school office. Thank you.

<b>Nursery &amp; Reception</b>	Mickey's Once upon a Christmas
<b>Year 1</b>	Christmas Beauty & The Beast
<b>Year 2</b>	The Grinch
<b>Year 3</b>	Arthur Christmas
<b>Year 4</b>	Polar Express



- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Disco (after school). More information about tickets will follow from the PTFA.
- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December – children are invited to wear Christmas jumpers in exchange for a hamper donation. As we have done in previous years, each class will have a festive colour theme for donations. More information will follow from the PTFA.

<b>Nursery</b>	Red	Items can include festive drinks, snacks and treats, pamper goodies, candles, decorations, jams and preserves, crackers, chutneys, cheeses, chocolates and sweets etc (or anything else you can think of!) of the allocated colour (where possible). Thank you!
<b>Reception</b>	Green	
<b>Year 1</b>	Gold	
<b>Year 2</b>	Blue	
<b>Year 3</b>	Purple	
<b>Year 4</b>	Silver	

The PTFA have Class Representatives from Reception and Years 2, 3 and 4 but are looking for a named contact for Nursery and Year 1 classes, please. If you are able to help, please contact [archbishopruncieptfa@gmail.com](mailto:archbishopruncieptfa@gmail.com) Thank you.

### PRE-LOVED CHRISTMAS JUMPERS



Each year, the PTFA request donations of pre-loved Christmas jumpers and tops. If you have any unwanted items at home, please could you send them into school with children or drop them off at the school office, before school. Thank you.

### PRE-LOVED CHRISTMAS JUMPERS



### ANTI-BULLYING



Next week is anti-bullying week and children will be taking part in various activities in school. Clennell Education Solutions will be delivering an anti-bullying session to all children in Years 1 – 4 on Wednesday and offering a workshop for parents at 3:30pm. Parents/carers can book a place via ParentMail. Please note that this session is only

for adults and it is not appropriate to bring children along. If you would like to attend but do not have childcare, please contact Mrs Coates about attendance at after school club. We hope to see you there!

## CHICKENPOX

We currently have several cases of chickenpox in school. An itchy spotty rash is the main symptom of chickenpox. It can be anywhere on the body. Children need to stay off school until all the spots have formed a scab. This is usually 5 days after the spots appeared.

There are simple things you can do to make your child more comfortable:

- Regular Paracetamol for temperature/pain
- Antihistamines (eg piriton) can help with itching and aid sleep
- Drink plenty of fluid and try ice lollies if your child is not drinking much
- Calamine lotion/oat milk bath/Sodium bicarbonate bath for itch
- Pat dry after bath rather than rubbing for comfort
- Dress in loose clothes
- Don't give ibuprofen or aspirin unless advised to by a doctor
- Cut nails/apply hand mittens at night to reduce damage to skin and try to avoid too much scratching if possible

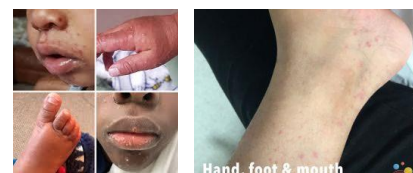


For further information, please see <https://www.nenc-healthiertogether.nhs.uk/>

## HAND, FOOT & MOUTH

Hand, Foot and Mouth is a common childhood illness that is, usually, a mild infection that does not need specific treatment and will usually get better on its own. It commonly affects children under 5 years of age and initial symptoms can include:

- a high temperature
- sore throat
- reduced appetite
- generally feeling unwell.



For further information, please see <https://www.nenc-healthiertogether.nhs.uk/parents/carers/worried-your-child-unwell/hand-foot-and-mouth-disease>



We hope the children who have been off school with illness feel better soon.

## TESCO STRONGER STARTS

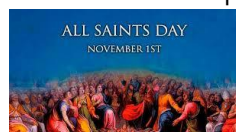


We are delighted to let you know that our school came second in the Tesco Stronger Starts collection and has been chosen by Tesco customers to receive a grant award of £1,000.00! You will recall that the project was to further enhance our playground with the addition of the Reflection Area and the Forest School Area which are currently in development. Thank you to everyone who supported us through voting.

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## COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

Over the last couple of weeks, we have been reflecting on some autumnal festivals including All Saints', Bonfire Night and, in particular, the importance of light and Remembrance. We have thought about these events, stories and some of the practices and traditions that we take part in as a result.



Parents and carers are warmly invited to join worship, led by Year 4 and Year 2, on Monday and Tuesday mornings next week.



## CAKE SALE

Well done to Year 2 who raised £40 at their class cake sale. This is the second of our class cake sales, so far this year, and is becoming an eagerly anticipated event by our children.



Year 1 are hosting their class cake sale, after school, on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November. Please remember to bring cash when you collect children at 3:15pm if you wish to make a purchase. Thank you.

## PARKING



As the weather changes, more parents and carers tend to drive to school. Please remember that parents/carers are invited to park in ASDA and walk the remainder of the journey to school.

If you choose to drive down Christon Road, please do not park in front of garages/driveways (even if they look unused) or on double yellow lines or zig-zag lines. These markings are to ensure your children have a clear view of oncoming traffic when crossing the road. If cars are parked in these areas, children cannot see if it is safe to cross. Additionally, please do not use the junction by the Residents Association to turn cars in. Thank you.

You may have noticed that the lane between Christon Road and school has been re-painted with zig-zag lines over half term. We are hopeful that this will make the approach to our school a safer one. Thank you for your cooperation, support and understanding.



## PLAYTIME EQUIPMENT

A polite reminder that children should not be using our playground equipment either before or after school please. Thank you.

## CHRISTMAS PLANS!



### NATIVITIES

#### Nursery & Reception

- 11.12.24 at 9:30am
- 12.12.24 at 1:30pm

#### Years 1 & 2

- 11.12.24 at 5:00pm\*
- 12.12.24 at 9:30am
- 13.12.24 at 1:30pm

#### Years 3 & 4

- 11.12.24 at 1:30pm
- 12.12.24 at 5:00pm\*
- 13.12.24 at 9:30am



Parents will be issued with two seats per family, per key stage, so they can choose which performance they would like to attend. Mrs Coates will be taking bookings either by phone or by email from Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November until Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November. Extra seats may be released from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December if capacity allows. Physical tickets will not be issued; Mrs Coates will check attendance at each performance against the bookings list.

\*Years 1 & 2 and Years 3 & 4 children are asked to return to school one evening to allow parents, who are unable to attend during the day, an opportunity to see the Nativity too. Please book seats for a daytime

performance if you are able to do so. Evening performances will both begin at 5:00pm so children will be asked to return to school at 4:30pm to get into costumes ready for their performance. Children will be dismissed from classroom doors after they are changed out of costumes (5:45 - 6:00pm). After school club will be held in Nursery on these nights. Please indicate whether your child can attend their evening performance via the ParentMail form by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November. Thank you.



### **DONATIONS**

We are seeking donations of girls and boys pants, socks and tights in ages 5-6, 6-7, 7-8 and 8-9 please. Thank you.



We would be grateful if all used spare items could be washed and returned to school as soon as possible, please.

### **FOOTBALL**

Due to the recent weather, our playing field is very wet and not safe to play on. Therefore, lunchtime football will be cancelled until spring term when the ground has dried out!



### **QUIZ NIGHT**

Unfortunately, Quiz Night on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November had been postponed as Mr Francis is unable to host. Apologies for any inconvenience that this may cause.

### **PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE**



Thank you to everyone who has completed the questionnaire on ParentMail. If you have not already done so, there is still time to complete it until 7:00pm this evening.

### **SAFEGUARDING**

Mrs Massey, Mrs Francis and Mrs Ellwood are our school's Designated Safeguarding Leaders (DSL). Mr Brown is DSL for Wraparound care.

Children are regularly reminded who they can talk to if they are worried about something in school.



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





## DIARY DATES

New dates are in red, for your information

November 2024			
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Worship led by Year 4	9:00am	Parents & carers welcome
	Year 2 Forest School	pm	Children should wear uniform tops with joggers and bring wellies and waterproofs to put on later in the day. Please make donations via ParentMail.
	Prospective parents tour (for Nursery/Reception Sept 2025)	1:30pm	Please book a place at the school office
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	Odd Socks (anti-bullying) worship led by Year 2	9:00am	Parents and carers invited to attend. Children invited to wear odd socks (with normal uniform).
	Prospective parents tour (for Nursery/Reception Sept 2025)	5:30pm	Please book a place at the school office
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Gosforth Voices	3:45pm-4:45pm	
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 1 cake sale	3:15pm	Please could the parents/carers of Year 1 children send donations of cakes with ingredients displayed. Thank you.
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Children In Need		Children invited to wear something spotty. Donations can be made via ParentMail.
	Adults only quiz night - <b>POSTPONED</b>	7:00pm	More info to follow
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 1 Forest School	pm	Children should wear uniform tops with joggers and bring wellies and waterproofs to put on later in the day. Please make donations via ParentMail.
	Year 2 TTRS day		Year 2 children invited to dress as a rock star today.
	Nativity bookings open		Contact Mrs Coates in the school office via telephone or email.
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 4 visitor from Durham University	TBC	
	Prospective parents tour (for Nursery/Reception Sept 2025)	1:30pm	Please book a place at the school office
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	Gosforth Voices	3:45pm-4:45pm	
	RISE Parent Workshop on supporting children's emotional regulation	3:15pm-4:00pm	All welcome. Please sign up via ParentMail.
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Prospective parents tour (for Nursery/Reception Sept 2025)	1:30pm	Please book a place at the school office



Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Reception Forest School	pm	Children should wear uniform tops with joggers and bring wellies and waterproofs to put on later in the day. Please make donations via ParentMail.
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	Supporting good mental health – workshop for parents	2:15pm	Please sign up via ParentMail
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Film Night	3:15pm	Please sign up via the PTFA archbishopprunceptfa@gmail.com
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Advent worship led by Year 3	9:00am	Parents/carers welcome to attend
<b>December 2024</b>			
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Nursery Forest School	pm	Children should wear uniform tops with joggers and bring wellies and waterproofs to put on later in the day. Please make donations via ParentMail.
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Parents/carers of Reception children invited to stay & play	2:00pm	
	Year 2 synagogue visit	am	
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Parents/carers of Nursery children invited to stay & play	2:00pm	
	Gosforth Voices	3:45pm-4:45pm	
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Flu Immunisations in school		
	Parents/carers of Nursery children invited to stay & play	2:00pm	
	Nursery & Reception cake sale	3:15pm	Please could the parents/carers of Nursery & Reception children send donations of cakes with ingredients displayed? Thank you.
	PTFA Christmas Disco	3:15-4:15pm for Nursery & Reception, 4:45-6:00pm for Years 1 – 4.	More info to follow from PTFA.
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery & Reception visit to Gosforth Civic Theatre	10:00am & 2:00pm	Please complete the form on ParentMail.
	Children invited to wear Christmas jumpers		Donations for PTFA coloured hampers will be gratefully received.
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 3 visit to Durham Oriental Museum		
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery & Rec Nativity (am) Years 3 & Year 4 Nativity (pm) Years 1 & Year 2 Nativity (evening)	TBC	
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Years 1 & Year 2 Nativity (am) Nursery & Rec Nativity (pm) Years 3 & Year 4 Nativity (evening)	TBC	
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Years 3 & Year 4 Nativity (am) Years 1 & Year 2 Nativity (pm)	TBC	

	Children invited to wear Christmas jumpers		Donations can be made to Save the Children via ParentMail
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1 visit to All Saints' Church	10:00am	
	Years 3 & 4 Christmas party	pm	
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Years 3 & 4 visit to Tyne Theatre	am	
	Years 1 & 2 Christmas party	pm	
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Years 1 & 2 visit to Tyne Theatre	am	
	Nursery & Reception party	pm	
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	ARFS Family Day (including Christmas lunch)	All day	More info to follow
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Children invited to wear Christmas jumpers		Just for fun – no donations required
	Year 1 – 4 Carol Service at St Nicholas' Church	pm	Parents and carers welcome to attend. Children can be collected from church at 2:30pm
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Dec – Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	Christmas holidays		School closed to children
<b>January 2025</b>			
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	Phonics & early reading session for parents & carers of children in Reception	5:30pm	
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	Prospective parents tour (for Nursery/Reception Sept 2025)	5:30pm	Please book a place at the school office
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> January	Deadline for Reception applications to Newcastle City Council	Noon	
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> January	Year 4 visit to El Torero	Lunchtime	
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	February half term holiday		School closed to children
<b>February 2025</b>			
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	Family Bingo Night	7:00pm.	All welcome. More info to follow from the PTFA.
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Staff training day	All day	School closed to children
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 1 walking tour of Gosforth	pm	
	Internet safety day		Activities in school
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Film Night	3:15pm	More info will follow from the PTFA
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	Love is... worship led by Year 1	9:00am	Parents/carers welcome to attend
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	Deadline for Nursery applications for April intake		
<b>March 2025</b>			
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 visit to Beamish (TBC)	All day	
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Years 3 & 4 Magic Flute at		

March	The Theatre Royal World Book Day		Children invited to come to school dressed as a character from a book, if they wish.
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 cake sale	3:15pm	Please could the parents/carers of Year 4 children send donations of cakes with ingredients displayed. Thank you.
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day		Children invited to wear red and 'do something funny for money'. Donations can be made via ParentMail.
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 visit to Newcastle Castle TBC	TBC	
17 – 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 swimming every afternoon		
17-21 <sup>st</sup> March	STEM Week		Activities in school. If any parents/carers have a career/interest in science, technology or maths, please contact Mrs Egdell.
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 visit to Newcastle Mosque		
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Nursery & Reception Mothering Sunday Service (in school)	9:00am	Parents/carers welcome to attend.
	Years 1 – 4 Mothering Sunday Service at St Nicholas' Church	1:30pm	Parents/carers welcome to attend.
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Year 4 children are hosting a Mothering Sunday Cream Team.	pm	More info to follow.
<b>April 2025</b>			
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Year 3 cake sale	3:15pm	Please could the parents/carers of Year 3 children send donations of cakes with ingredients displayed. Thank you.
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Meeting for parents/carers of Year 4 children about the Y4 Multiplication tables Check (in school)	4:30pm	Places can be booked via ParentMail.
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	Stay & Play or parents and carers of children in Reception	2:00pm	
	Meeting for parents/carers of Year 1 children about the Y1 Phonics Screen Check (in school)	5:30pm	Places can be booked via ParentMail.
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> April	Stay & Play or parents and carers of children in Nursery	2:00pm	
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> April	Years 1 – 4 Easter Service at All Saints' Church	1:30pm	Parents/carers welcome to attend.
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter holidays		School closed to children
<b>May 2025</b>			
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Year 2 cake sale	3:15pm	Please could the parents/carers of Year 2 children send donations of cakes with ingredients displayed. Thank you.
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 3 Watersmeet, Hexham	All day	
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 4 residential at Dukeshouse Wood		Info on ParentMail
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Year 2 Geography fieldwork		More info to follow

May	- Whitley Bay		
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Year 1 cake sale	3:15pm	Please could the parents/carers of Year 1 children send donations of cakes with ingredients displayed Thank you.
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	GST Daft as a Brush Day		Children invited to wear something "daft" and make a donation via ParentMail.
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Half term holiday		School closed to children
<b>June 2025</b>			
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Staff training day	All day	School closed to children
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Pentecost Service		Parents/carers welcome to attend.
Wb 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics Screen Check statutory assessment		Places can be booked via ParentMail
Wb 16 <sup>th</sup> June	School Sports Week TBC		If any parents/carers have any connections to sports coaches/providers, please let Mrs Francis know.
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Leavers Service at Newcastle Cathedral	am	
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception class cake sale	3:15pm	Please could the parents/carers of Reception children send donations of cakes with ingredients displayed? Thank you.
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Big Gig		More info to follow
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Year 2 visit to Grace Darling Museum	All day	More info to follow
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3 sleepover at school	All day	More info to follow
30 <sup>th</sup> June – 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 3 swimming every afternoon		More info to follow
<b>July 2024</b>			
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 4 visit to Vindolanda & Roman Army Museum		
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Nursery class cake sale	3:15pm	Please could the parents/carers of Nursery children send donations of cakes with ingredients displayed Thank you.
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole school trip to Tynemouth	All day	
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 4 Leavers' Service (at school)	9:15am	Please save the date
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> August	Summer holiday		School closed to children

**Be courageous; be strong.**






**Do everything in love.**

1 Corinthians 16:13-14


## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### NURSERY 30 HOUR PLACES

Childcare Applying for 30 hours free childcare Choices 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 – '50xxxxxxx'
-  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](mailto: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>



### **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](https://www.newcastlelea.org/CitizenPortal_LIVE/en)

If you are unsure or need help, please see Ms 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!

