



PTFA UPDATE

School Reports

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RESIDENTIAL

As I am sure you will have spotted this week, Year 4 had their on-site camping sleepover (because the visit to Dukeshouse Wood was cancelled). It was a fantastic event, featuring camp fire activities and songs, archery, tug of war, clay model making, a giant inflatable, a

lovely cooked breakfast, a water fight and, of course, a semi-final victory for England!

Our children did the school proud with their wonderful behaviour and attitude to all the activities. We are very grateful to Year 4 families for their patience as we reorganised the trip and to the staff who worked extra-long hours to make the event happen. We will be looking into doing this again in future years!



WEDDING BELLS

You may already know that Mr Booth is getting married during the first weekend of the summer holidays (postponed from last year!) and will therefore not be in school on Friday 23rd July. His last teaching day will be next Wednesday (15th July) but he will be in school, restricted to the office(!), for most of the following week.

FINAL WEEK OF TERM

In the final week of term, each class is planning to have a class picnic. We would be grateful if each child could bring something for the picnic (please sign up on the list outside the classroom from Monday morning or via email to class teachers). All items must be individually wrapped due to covid please. Thank you!



Additionally, I am under increasing pressure from the younger children to allow them to have a water fight, after watching the Year 4's on Thursday. On their water fight day, children should bring appropriate clothing and shoes to get wet (e.g. leggings or swim shorts), a towel and a water gun if they have one. They will change into wet gear before their water fight (and get dry and changed back into usual school clothes afterwards). Thank you! If children do not want to take part, they don't have to.

These will go ahead regardless of the weather!

MONDAY – EUROS FINAL

Our Year 4 children have reliably informed me that there is an important game on Sunday evening...! If England win, children are invited to come into school on Monday **at the usual time** wearing football clothing or red and white.



We will be talking to them about the resilience required to keep going under pressure, the importance of the national anthem, pride (and possibly disappointment). This includes both the players now and, for those of us old enough to remember, England manager Gareth Southgate's own history.

Children learning at home could send in a picture of themselves in their football or red and white clothing, or perhaps an action shot of football in their back garden.

Because Year 4 are recording their leavers video on Monday, we are asking them to come in school uniform looking smart and ready to talk about their memories of ARFS. If England win, they may bring a change of clothes for later in the day. Thank you!



CHILDREN'S CANCER RUN

As you know, most classes have now completed their run. There is merchandise available to buy in each class, if children wish.

COVID-19 UPDATE

We have had a single positive case in Year 2 this week, meaning that a number of children are now learning from home. We have contacted all close contacts of the individual involved.

As ever, we are reminding all families to please remain as vigilant as possible for COVID-19 symptoms and to **inform us immediately** if your child tests positive. Thank you.

New guidance for September has been released by the DfE. We are still awaiting more localised guidance but we will let you know about changes to be made, in advance of next term. Given the current high rates of covid cases in the city, we will continue to operate with current school procedures until the end of this term.

REMINDER

BUILDING WORKS - MAIN ENTRANCE CLOSED FROM 19.7.21

Building work (to add a porch to the main entrance of our school) will begin on 19.7.21 (the last week of term). The majority of the work during the first week will be external; therefore, the **main entrance will not be in use**.

During this final week of term, **Breakfast Club** children will need to enter the building via the Reception classroom fire door and **After School Children** will also be dismissed from this door.

Children who are **late to school** or Nursery children arriving at lunchtime will need to phone the office from the carpark (0191 285 2663) to be let in via the green gate into our Reception outdoor area. Internal work will begin on Monday 26th July. The hall doors will then be locked so there will be no access to the area after this time.

Grass Roots summer camp will take place on our school field during the summer holidays. Children will access this via the gate on Christon Road (behind the shelter in the playground).

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE- Wild World Heroes

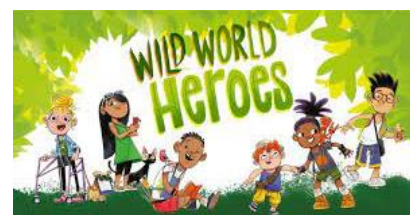
Newcastle City Libraries are running a challenge for primary pupils to keep them reading over the summer holidays.

You can register children here <http://tiny.cc/SRC2021> [Register](#)

There is also a video trailer at <https://youtu.be/UGOJLw43Ap4> which you can watch with your child. The Challenge will run from 17 July and through August in all Newcastle Libraries. Children will set themselves a reading challenge and receive special rewards each time they finish a book. There will be online activities and a dedicated webpage on Newcastle Libraries website.

A trophy will be awarded to the school who has the most children completing the challenge and certificates will be distributed to all children who take part, in September. We would love ARFS to be the winner!

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Fiona Hill and Leanne Sinclair. fiona.hill@newcastle.gov.uk leanne.sinclair@newcastle.gov.uk



Read more about it at <https://www.newcastle.gov.uk/citylife-news/culture/dara-mcanulty-and-steve-backshall-revealed-ambassadors-summer-reading> and visit www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

REMINDER

BAGS FOR LIFE

Staff are now preparing children's books to be sent home at the end of term. Each child will need a named, strong bag (like a Bag for Life) to bring their books home during the last week.

Please send these to school as soon as possible, Thank you.



Some children's books will be kept in school as examples of high quality work and to help teachers further improve their lessons for next year.

SAFEGUARDING

Mrs Massey and Mr Booth are our school's Designated Safeguarding Leaders. 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>

With my very best wishes,

Mrs KE Massey

Headteacher

GRASS ROOTS

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SUMMER SPORTS & ACTIVITY WEEKS

VENUE: Archbishop Runcie CofE First School - Gosforth

OPTION 1: Monday 26th July - Friday 30th July (£60)

OPTION 2: Monday 2nd August - Friday 6th August (£60)

OPTION 3: Monday 16th August - Friday 20th August (£60)

OPTION 4: Monday 23rd August - Friday 27th August (£60)

TIME: 10am – 3pm each day



COURSE DETAILS:

The week will involve various sports, including football, cricket, gymnastics, rounders, tennis, hockey etc and will involve fun based activities such as water games/fights, crash mat tournaments and tug of war competitions.

Children will be grouped loosely according to age & ability. The course will be taken by qualified coaches/teachers. The staff/pupil ratio will not exceed 1:20 & all of our coaching staff have been through a recent police clearance.

Children should be between the ages of 5 (4 is fine if in reception) and 12 (Yr 7)

YOU WILL NEED:

- A PACKED LUNCH
- CHANGE FOR THE TUCK SHOP
- A CHANGE OF CLOTHES IN CASE WE PLAY WATER GAMES!
- TO BE COLLECTED FROM SCHOOL PROMPTLY AT 3PM



BOOKING INFORMATION:

To book onto this course, please visit www.grassrootssports.co.uk where you can pay by debit/credit card.

On the website you will also find our full summer programme; detailing ALL the courses we run throughout the holidays.

Any queries please call Keith (07703 533 556) or Sarah (07725 128 717)



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COACHING BLOCKS

Option 1:
Saturday 3 July 14:00 - 15:00

Option 2:
Sunday 15 August 09:00 - 10:00

For more information or to book your place go to www.girlsgolfrocks.org/NorthumberlandGC



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FOOTBALL & MULTI-SPORTS SUMMER CAMPS JULY-SEPT

WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	WEEK 6
Mon 26 to Fri 30 Jul	Mon 2 to Fri 6 Aug	Mon 9 to Fri 13 Aug	Mon 16 to Fri 20 Aug	Mon 23 to Fri 27 Aug	Tue 31 Aug to Fri 3 Sept

To book call M:07729 058 119 or visit: www.ls-sc.co.uk



**SOUTH NORTH
MINI
BULLS**

A FUN INTRODUCTION TO CRICKET FOR BOTH BOYS & GIRLS

**Saturday 26th June - Saturday 31st July
(6 sessions)**

Ages 2.5 - 3.5 yrs old: 9:00am - 9:40am

Ages 3.5 - 5s yrs old: 9:50am - 10:30am

We will help to improve:

- balance
- coordination
- confidence
- social skills
- teamwork

**£42 (£7 per
session)
per child**

We will use both the outfield and the indoor centre
in case of inclement weather.

We have a set of young enthusiastic coaches who
are experienced with kids of all ages and DBS
qualified.

Teas and coffees on arrival for parents.

To sign up or for more information visit :

<https://www.southnorth.co.uk/events-courses/mini-bulls-1/>

ALL SAINTS GOSFORTH PET SERVICE!

**BRING YOUR PET
TO JOIN US ON
11TH JULY AT 2PM!**

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO COME, PLEASE CONTACT
JAMIE.DONALDSON@ALLSAINTS-GOSFORTH.ORG.UK
WITH YOUR NAME AND PET YOU WISH TO
BRING ALONG!**





“Love to learn, learn to love”

June 2021			
Monday 12 th July	Y4 Leavers video production (GEM Education)		Video to be shared with families when completed. Year 4 children should wear their school uniform please.
	Children invited to wear red and white if England win.		Year 4 can bring clothing to school (but should wear school uniform to arrive).
Wednesday and Thursday 14 th & 15 th July	Optional parents evening following reports (phone calls)	3:30-5:30pm	Please book via ParentMail on 9.7.21
Thursday 15 th July	Year 4 Sports Day	2:00pm	One parent or carer per family invited to attend
Friday 16 th July	Transition afternoon 6 (N-Y3)	pm	
Monday 19 th July	Building work begins- main entrance out of use		
	Please return raffle tickets to school Reception water fight and picnic		Please bring a towel, clothes to get wet and a water gun. Please sign up to food lists outside classrooms.
Tuesday 22 nd July	Years 1 and 3 picnic and water fight		
Wednesday 21 st July	Nursery picnic and water fight (beach themed!)		
Thursday 22 nd July	Years 2 and 4 picnic and water fight		
Friday 23 rd July	Year 4 Leavers' Service	9:15am	Children and staff only
	Year 4 ice cream van	1:30pm	
	Toy Day	All day	Children invited to bring a toy from home
	School closes for summer	3:20pm	
September 2021			
Monday 6 th September	Staff Training Day		School closed to children
Tuesday 7 th September	Children back to school	As per staggered drop off	
Sunday 26 th September	Children's Cancer Run TBC	TBC	Depends on COVID restrictions at the time
October 2021			
Friday 22 nd October	Deadline for Nursery applications for January start (for children will have turned 3 before 31st December 2021)	Noon	
25-29 th October	Half term	-	School closed to children
November 2021			
Monday 1 st November	Staff training day	9:00-4:00	School closed to children
December 2021			
20-31 st December	Christmas holidays	-	School closed to children
January 2022			
Monday 3 rd January	Bank holiday	-	School closed to children

Friday 28 th January	Staff training day	9:00-4:00	School closed to children
February 2022			
Friday 18 th February	Deadline for Nursery applications for April start (for children who will have turned 3 before 22 nd April 2022)	Noon	
21-25 th February	Half term	-	School closed to children
March 2022			
Friday 18 th March	Deadline for Nursery applications for September start (for children who will have turned 3 before 31 st August 2022)	Noon	
April 2022			
11-22 nd April	Easter holiday	-	School closed to children
May 2022			
3 rd -4 th May	Current Year 3: Year 4 Residential to Dukeshouse Wood	TBC	TBC – Further information to follow.