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News to You - Weekly Newsletter

A Message from the Head of School

Week 1 Summer Term - 26.04.19

Dear Parents/Carers.

A big welcome back to our pupils. It has been lovely to hear about all the exciting things that the children have been up to in the holidays. A big well done to Freya Pounder who competed in the semi finals of the National Competition for Ballroom and Latin Dancing - great achievement. Junior Inspectors from both schools were invited to participate in a 'Forest Adventure Day ' which involved working alongside other Junior Inspectors from across the town, den building and open fire cooking. I would like to say a huge thank you to the pupils, Mrs James and Miss Leighton who gave up part of their Easter Holidays to participate in Y6 SATs booster. It was lots of fun!

This week has been another busy start to the term. Amongst other activities, MP Mike Hill visited our school. Members of the Junior Leadership Team proudly gave Mr Hill a tour of the school and discussed their experiences of school life. We received some feedback that he was impressed with our school and pupils.

Children are beginning their exciting new topics :

EYFS - 'How Many Colours In a Rainbow?'

Y1/Y2 – ' Dinosaur Planet'

Y3/Y4 – 'Raiders and Traders'

Y5/Y6 - 'Allotments'

To support your child with their learning, the relevant Knowledge Organiser has been emailed to you but if you would like a paper copy please speak to the class teacher. Pupil safety is paramount. This week ICECATs visited school to raise awareness of methods of keeping safe in various situations with pupils, staff and parents. The ICECATs team were very impressed with the safety knowledge that the children possessed and their polite, mature attitudes.

Although the weather has changed dramatically, the sun will hopefully continue to shine in the Summer Term and can we remind parents/carers to apply sunscreen before pupils come to school and provide sun hats and water bottles etc

Wishing all our families a lovely weekend and a great start to the Summer Term Kindest Regards

Mrs Hill



Competition winners for Bright Sparks poetry writing. All of the Children's work will be published in a book in due course.

Just to let parents know that our newsletter will be moving to a fortnightly newsletter from today.

Dates for your Diary and other Information...

Thursday 2nd May—Y1-Y4, Durham Cricket taster sessions will be taking place throughout the day. must have their PE kit and a drink in school.

Wednesday 8th May-Maypole and Skip Dance. Year 3/4 will be performing their Maypole dance and skip dance this year, parents are welcome to attend. There will be the opportunity to purchase refreshments during the event. Wednesday 8th May - DotPeen security marking in school 3:45pm—5:00pm

Monday 13th—Thursday 16th May—KS2 SAT tests will take place during this week. All Y6 children must be

Wednesday 22nd May—Skipping Festival – Final. Children should arrive at school for 8.30am already dressed in their PE Kit. They will require a packed lunch but will need to picked up from school at the normal time.

Friday 24th May— Last day of half term. Break up for half term holidays.

Monday 3rd June—PD Day—School closed to children.
Tuesday 4th June—Return to school after the half term holiday.

Wednesday 5th June—Friday 7th June—KS2 Residential to Dukeshouse Wood.

Monday 10th June—Y6 Leavers and Sports Team Photographs.

PD days this year - Monday 3rd June, Monday 22nd July and Tuesday 23rd July.





Award Winners...

Star of the Week

Early Years - Theo Beha Year 1/2 - Jack Douglas Year 3/4 - Elynn Henderson Year 5/6 - Joseph Greener

Golden Quill

Early Years - Hattie Thompson Year 1/2 - Will Stanworth Year 3/4 - Thomas Lowther Year 5/6—Ava Smith

Maths Award

Early Years - Aadhyasri Kandregula Year 1/2 - Lily-Mae Todd Year 3/4 - Annabelle Hedley-Price Year 5/6 - Alfie Crosbie

Hart Citizen

Early Years - James Bennett Year 1/2 - Lewie Ferguson Year 3/4 - Macy-Jay Kinnersley Year 5/6 - William Trattles