



JUNE NEWSLETTER

SCHOOL NEWS

SO FAR THIS HALF TERM...

We have had a very busy start to this final half term. Our new Unit Manager, Alison Bolton, has started serving school lunches and we wish her well in her new post. Two students from KEVI, May and Cara, completed a week of work experience: it was a pleasure having them work with us!

Out and about: our Year 3 and 4 children had an amazing visit to the Children's Countryside Day in Wooler – thank you again to the volunteers that day – we couldn't have done it without you.

Our Year 2, 3 and 4 children have all started their "tennis taster" sessions with Phil Barron. These will be leading up to a festival later this term.

Staff from the Middle School have visited our Year 4 children to continue their work in preparation for transition to the Middle School.

Across school and in all year groups, our period of assessment has now completed: this has included the Reception Early Years profiles, the Year 1 phonics screening and the Year 2 external assessments. We are now working on your end-of-year reports which will come out to you in the next couple of weeks.

Our Year 3 and 4 children have all attended workshops for Show Racism the Red Card. The children found this a very worthwhile day. We then had a wonderful afternoon hosted by the Year 8s from the Middle School as part of their Archbishop of York leadership awards. Our children attended workshops which included baking (Year 1), card-making (Year 2), Spanish (Year 3) and transition (Year 4) and all took part in sporting workshops.

We hosted a multi-skills festival for our children. Unfortunately the other schools invited were unable to attend this time. Our Year 4s then enjoyed their final trumpet lesson with Mr Vallance. He will be returning in the Autumn term to teach our new Year 3 and Year 4s.

This week finished with a super cake sale by the Friends of Rothbury First School. This was very well attended and over £140 was raised.

Thank you again to the parents who attended our meeting on Monday with our governors and staff. We hope that this was useful to you and that it clarified any queries that you may have had about the class structures for September.

Our current total of monies raised by the Children's Cancer Run stands at £2,841.09 which is fantastic! Well done everyone.





AND COMING UP...

The forecast is for sunny days! Please make sure that your child brings a named sunhat and a water bottle to school every day, and that sun cream has already been applied in the morning before school. Please also make sure that your child has their PE kit in school every day as we will make the most of sporting opportunities when the weather is good and the field is dry.

Out and about: Reception children will be heading out to Bamburgh on Tuesday 26th June.

Out and about: Year 4s will be visiting LifePath at Brinkburn Priory on Thursday 28th June.

Thursday 28th June – SureStart Childrens Centre event in our Dining Hall 1.30pm to 2.30pm

School is closed on Friday 29th June for Teacher Training.

Parents Meeting on Monday 2nd July for all EYFS parents who will have children in Reception or Nursery in September.

Wednesday 4th July – tennis festival for Years 2, 3 and 4 at the Rothbury tennis courts.

Thursday 5th and Friday 6th July – Year 4 Transition Days at the Middle School. Thursday 5th July is our “Bump Up” morning where children spend time in their new classes.

Out and about: Years 1 and 2 will be visiting the Hauxley Wildlife Centre on Friday 6th June (letter to come this week).

Monday 9th July 9.15am Year 4 Ford Castle Assembly – Year 4 parents invited.

Tuesday 10th July 9.15am Football Assembly/Presentations – Soccer parents invited.

Thursday 12th July – provisional date set for FRFS Summer Disco.

Tuesday 17th July – end of term Leavers Celebration afternoon at the Jubilee Hall. Doors open at 1.30pm.

Wednesday 18th July – Year 4s Leavers Lunch at the Turks Head in Rothbury.

Thursday 19th July – provisional date for Year 4 Level 1 Bikeability (letter to come).

Friday 20th July – school closes at 3.15pm.



REQUEST FOR HELP...

In the Autumn Term we will be relaunching our request for a **Reading Army** of volunteers. But before then, we need to “book band” all of our reading books in school. This is by no means a trivial task! If anyone has a spare hour or two in the week commencing Monday 9th July to help us achieve this, please let the Office know. Thank you.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Tues 26 June	Reception	Trip to Bamburgh
Thurs 28 June	Year 4	LifePath visit to Brinkburn Priory
Fri 29 June	all	School closed – Teacher Training Day
Mon 2 July	Nursery parents	New Nursery & New Reception Parents Meeting @ 5pm
Wed 4 July	Years 2, 3 & 4	Tennis Festival (morning)
Thurs 5 July	Nursery, Reception, Years 1, 2 & 3	Bump Up morning – all children visit their new classes (Note: no violin, guitar or keyboard today)
Thurs 5 July & Fri 6 July	Year 4	Transition Days at Dr Thomlinson Middle School
Fri 6 July	Years 1 & 2	Trip to Hauxley Wildlife Discovery Centre
Mon 9 July	all + Year 4 parents	Year 4 Ford Castle Assembly at 9.15am
Tues 10 July	all + Soccer parents	Trident Soccer Assembly/presentations at 9.15am
Tues 10 July	all	pm: Visitor assembly – Rev Ed
Thurs 12 July	violin, guitar, keyboard	Last lessons for music tuition
Thurs 12 July	all	FRFS Summer Disco
Fri 13 July	Years 2 and 4	last Tennis Taster Session
Tues 17 July	all + parents	Leavers Celebration at the Jubilee Hall (afternoon)
Wed 18 July	Year 4	Leavers Lunch at The Turks Head
Thurs 19 July	Year 4	tbc Level 1 Bikeability (depending on numbers)
Fri 20 July	all	SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 3.15pm FOR SUMMER HOLIDAY
Tues 21 Aug	-	Trident Summer Soccer Camp 9.30am to 12.30am
Tues 4 Sept 2018	all	SCHOOL OPENS AT 8.50am
Mon 24 Sept 2018	all	Bag 2 School collection
w/c 8 Oct 2018	Years 2 and 3	Learn to Ride cycling course (free to school: grant-funded)
w/c 19 Nov 2018	all	Scholastic Book Fair
Wed 13 Feb 2019 to Fri 15 Feb 2019	Year 4	Residential trip to the Robinwood Activity Centre – details to come in the Autumn Term
w/c 22 Apr 2019	Years R & 1	Balance Bike Training (free to school: grant-funded)

