

JUNE NEWSLETTER

Well what a wet start to our final half term! Let's hope that the weather clears up and the sunny days return so that we can make the most of being outside. I think that the children, volunteer helpers and staff have dried out from their trip to the Countryside Day. By all accounts they had a fantastic, yet damp, day!

In school last week we have had two students from KEVI undertaking their work experience: Olivia Cairns and Georgia Wragg. They have been a real credit to their school.

We have also had Mr Sadler in to complete part of his Teacher Training Course, and for the next few weeks we welcome Mrs Morris into Year 4. Miss Watson will be finishing her time with us on Friday 16th June. Please join us in saying "Congratulations!" and wishing her the very best for her future teaching career.

At the end of this term we will be saying a very fond farewell to Mrs Nelson as she starts her retirement. She will be very much missed as she has been part of the foundation of our school for so many years. Our Leavers Celebrations at the end of term will have an extra poignancy for school as we wish her a long, healthy and happy retirement.



ASSESSMENTS: We would like to thank our Year 2 parents for your support during our formal testing weeks earlier in the term. Assessments continue in all year groups as we finalise our end of year reports which will come out to you in July.

ART PROJECT: Margaret Bodley Edwards will be working with all children in school to develop art panels for the Dining Hall. The project will take place in the week beginning Monday 19 June with different classes working on the project on different days. If you are able to spare an hour to help with the project, please speak to your class teacher and/or the Office.

TODDLERS/LITTLE PUFFINS: Christi Maunder has worked very hard to revitalise our Toddler Group. Unfortunately numbers have dwindled so much that it is unrealistic for her to continue this term, so, with great sadness, she has closed the group until September. WE NEED YOUR HELP PLEASE to advertise the group to any parents of toddlers in the village who do not currently have contact with our school. We really want to make this a great provision for under-threes and to develop close links to our Nursery Puffin Class. Please call into school if you have any ideas/suggestions as to how best to relaunch this group.



SPORT ROUND UP

VOLUNTEER HELPERS: We really appreciate your help in supervising children on trips and to festivals. As so many of these are held within walking distance of school, your support is vital to us to enable the trips to go ahead. Thank you!

TENNIS FESTIVAL: Wednesday 14 June for Years 3 & 4. The festival runs from 9.30 to 11.30 at the Rothbury Tennis Club. Children involved should come to school in their PE kit that day.

SWIMMING GALA: Thursday 22 June for Years 3 & 4. The festival runs from 1.15 pm to 2.45pm at Dr Thomlinson's Middle School. If any parents are able to assist with the walk up and down, please speak to either your class teacher or leave a message at the School Office. Your assistance would be much appreciated!

KWIK CRICKET FESTIVAL: Wednesday 5 July for Years 3 & 4. The festival runs from 9.30 to 11.30 at Dr Thomlinson's Middle School. Children involved should come to school in their PE kit that day. If any parents are able to assist with the walk up and down, please speak to either your class teacher or leave a message at the School Office. Your assistance would be much appreciated!

SPORT IN SCHOOL: A reminder that this half term: Year 1 are swimming for 5 sessions, Year 2 are taking part in Forest School, Year 3 and Year 4 have PE with Mr Heath.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS: We have been reviewing a number of procedures in school with a particular focus on keeping children safe. One area is regarding permission for after school clubs. Please be reminded that we do require either written or verbal permission from you **each half term** to send your child to an after-school club. Even if you have personally contacted Ryan (Trident) or William (Taekwondo), please confirm that the School Office has your child's name down for the club. Thank you.



SCHOOL UNIFORM

OUR SUPPLIER – "SCHOOL TRENDS": We have been working closely with our school uniform provider, School Trends, to improve the availability and ease of purchase of school uniform. School Trends have offered us a service where parents/carers may order online and either have their uniform delivered to their home address (postage payable), or to school (free of charge). School has absorbed some of the recent price increases to the uniform but unfortunately we are unable to continue to do this, so there will be some increases to the cost of the uniform. We will keep a sample set of uniform in school for sizing. More information to come as we receive it.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Mon 12 June	Years 1 & 2	Start of Phonics Screen Week
Wed 14 June	Years 3 & 4	Tennis Festival at the Rothbury Tennis Club
Mon 19 June	ALL	Start of Art Project Week
Tue 20 June	ALL	Fire Engine & Fire Fighters visit
Thurs 22 June	Years 3 & 4	Swimming Gala at Dr Thomlinson Middle School
Fri 23 June	ALL	School Closed – Teacher Training Day
Tues 27 June	Year 4	LifePath visit to Brinkburn Priory
Thurs 29 June	Nursery	New Reception Parents Meeting @ 5pm
Tues 4 July	ALL	1st attempt - Sports Afternoon (weather dependent)
Tues 4 July	ALL	Whole School Open Afternoon 3.15pm – 4.00pm
Wed 5 July	Years 3 & 4	Kwik Cricket Festival at Dr Thomlinson Middle School
Thurs 6 July	Years 1 & 2	Visit to Bamburgh (all day)
Thurs 6 July & Fri 7 July	Year 4	Transition Days at Dr Thomlinson Middle School
Fri 7 July	Nursery, Reception, Years 1, 2 & 3	Bump Up morning – all children visit their new classes
Tues 11 July	ALL	Rev Ed Assembly
Wed 12 July	ALL	2 nd attempt - Sports Afternoon (weather dependent)
Mon 17 July	ALL	Leavers Celebration at the Jubilee Hall (afternoon)
Tues 18 July	Year 4	Leavers Lunch
Thurs 20 July	ALL	Whole school picnic lunch
Fri 21 July	ALL	SCHOOL CLOSES AT 3.15pm FOR SUMMER HOLIDAY
Tues 5 Sept	ALL	SCHOOL OPENS AT 8.50am

