



# May NEWSLETTER

Our summer half term has been very short but we have managed to pack quite a lot in including our sports day. We have had such fabulous weather this half term and for once our sports day went ahead on the day as planned.

Thank you to all of you who were able to attend.



**Sports afternoon**

Y1 -Y4 had a morning of cricket activities at the Middle school today and had a very enjoyable time. Thank you to the parent volunteers who helped out.



**Cricket skills**

We had a visit from the veterans in Rothbury for VE day. They gave a talk to all the classes and helped with launchers and parachute making. It was a fun day with lots of important learning.



**Having a go at launching**



**Demonstration and talk from a veteran**

Thank you to parents who attended the RWI sessions. I hope you found it useful. If you have any questions about your child's phonics please get in touch.

Our community lunches have been very well attended this half term and feedback has been very complimentary. A huge thank you goes to Mrs Bolton. Her homemade yorkshire puddings have been an amazing success as usual.

Our Y1 children are practising their sounds and alien words in preparation for their Y1 phonic screening after the holidays. We would appreciate it if you could continue to practise during the holidays please.

Y4 are practising their tables in preparation for their multiplication test during the first week after the holidays too.

The Y4 residential trip to Newby Wiske was another huge success and enjoyed by all the children and staff. The children were fantastic ambassadors for our school and we were given many compliments about their exemplary behaviour and manners which was lovely to hear. We will be returning next year with our next Y4 class. Details and dates will be confirmed in the Autumn term.



**Newby Wiske 2025**

## **Transition**

Transition for Year 4 children going to Rothbury Middle School will be taking place on Thursday 3rd July and Friday 4th July. More details will follow with regards to the arrangements for this. We have also arranged a transition opportunity with Harbottle and Thropton. Their Y4 pupils will join our Y4s for a forest school afternoon on Wednesday 4th June.

## **PTA - A message from Lindsey Foggin**

*This term seems to have flown by but we have managed to fit in some good planning for fun events next term. We are looking forward to a fun chocolate themed day for World Chocolate Day on 7<sup>th</sup> July and we will be doing teas, coffees and drinks before the Leavers Concerts on 17<sup>th</sup> July. We are also running refreshments at the Final Fling of Rothbury Music Festival.*

*All parents and carers are invited to our AGM at 1pm on 4<sup>th</sup> July, you can attend in person at school or online. If you would like to join online please email [rothburyfirstschoolpta@yahoo.com](mailto:rothburyfirstschoolpta@yahoo.com) for the link.*

*We were delighted to have raised £251.11 from the Easter Event and £175 from the Rothbury Football Club Egg Raffle, thank you for all of your support. This term we have funded £155.80 for equipment for the Sensory Room, £150 for two new PA speakers for the school and £182.70 for leavers hoodies.*

*If you are able to help or have any questions we would love to hear from you at [rothburyfirstschoolpta2017@yahoo.com](mailto:rothburyfirstschoolpta2017@yahoo.com)*

*We look forward to seeing you all in the summer term*

## **Font Alliance**



We now have our new logo and flag which we will use for joint activities.

This last term Alliance football matches were held at Ponteland Community Primary School and there are plans to have more joint sporting activities such as cricket and a multi skills games day. An Alliance concert is also in the pipeline, details will be confirmed next term.

## **Hellos and Goodbyes**

We have recently welcomed Pandora into our Y3 class. She has settled very well and is making lots of new friends. We are also looking forward to welcoming Annabelle to some of our Nursery sessions after the half term holidays along with Caolán and Dexter, and Róisín will be joining our Y1 class. At the end of this term we will be saying a very sad farewell to Oliver and Sophie as they move on. We wish them well in their new school.

## **Wraparound**

**There will be no wraparound session on the afternoon of Friday 18th**

## Dates and Events

Monday 2nd June	Choir	after school club	Rec - Y4
Monday 2nd June	Y10 work experience students joining us for the week	All week	N - Y4
w/c 2nd June	Multiplication check	mornings	Y4
Wednesday 4th June	Y4 Forest School transition with Harbottle and Thropton	1pm	Year 4
Wednesday 4th June	Smooth Moves transition workshop <b>tbc</b>	10.45	Year 4
Wednesday 4th June	Trident	after school club 3.15 - 4.15	Rec - Y4
Thursday 5th June	Community lunch	11.45 -12.15	Y2 + a guest
Friday 6th June	Cricket 1/6	9.10	Y3/4
Tuesday 10th June	Phonics screening	morning	Y1 and some Y2
Tuesday 10th June	Makaton	after school club	R - Y4
Wednesday 11th June	Swimming 1/5	1.00 - 3.00	Y1 and Y2
Thursday 12th June	Community lunch	11.45 -12.15	Y3 + a guest
Wednesdays 11th - 25th June	Forest School with Miss Dick	1.00 - 2.30	Nursery and Reception
Thursday 19th June	Community lunch	11.45 -12.15	Y4 + a guest
<b>Monday 23rd June</b>	<b>Training Day</b>	<b>School closed to pupils</b>	
Friday 26th June	Life path at Brinkburn	9.00 - 3.00	Y4
Friday 27th June	Tennis	9.30 - 11.30	Y3/4 tbc
Tuesday 1st July	Font Alliance Athletics Day at Ponteland Community Primary School	9.45 - 2.00	Y4
Thursday 3rd July	Transition morning	9.00 - 10.30	N - Y3
Thursday 3rd July	Transition day	all day	Y4
Friday 4th July	Transition day	all day	Y4
Friday 4th July	PTA AGM Rothbury First School/or online	1.00	All parents
Monday 7th July	World chocolate day PTA event details tbc	tbc	N - Y4
Thursday 10th July	Y8 work experience workshops	1.00 - 3.00	R -Y4

Friday 11th July	Y8 work experience workshops	1.00 - 3.00	R -Y4
Friday 11th July	Reports out to parents		All classes
Thursday 17th July	Leavers Concert	2 performances 9.30 and 2.00	All children + parents (details to follow)
Friday 18th July	Leavers lunch at La Mensa	11.45 - 12.45	Y4
	<b>End of term</b>	<b>3.15</b>	

Hope you all enjoy the half term break. We look forward to seeing you on Monday 2nd June

Kind regards

Mrs C Auld and Mrs H Duffield