



# NEWSLETTER



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w/e Friday 29th September, 2023

Welcome, Ласкаво просимо, добро пожаловать, Witamy, Sveiki, Bienvenido, Bienvenue, ยินดีต้อนรับ to our weekly newsletter.

## Term Dates

School closes for October half term on  
**Thursday 19th October, 2023**  
and reopens on  
**Monday 30th October, 2023**

Click the calendar for all term dates,  
including dates for 2023/2024.



## **Year 6 & Reception Class Buddy Mass**



Whole School Mass

We would like to invite families to join us  
on Friday 13th October, 2023  
at 9.30 am  
in Holy Family Church.

## *Tea & Chat*



Please come along and meet  
Mrs Weatherall on Thursday  
12th October, 2023 between  
2.30 pm and 3.15 pm. A lovely  
opportunity for a cuppa and a chat!



## Mini Vinnies - First Appeal

This term the Mini Vinnies are collecting  
food items in aid of St Mary's Foodbank,  
to help families in the immediate  
community. The children would be  
very grateful for **donations of non-  
perishable food items, particularly  
beans and soup, but all items would be  
very gratefully received.** Please could  
children bring items to school by  
Wednesday 15th October, 2023.

Thank you for your support!

## My Child At School

### **Please update your App!**

We have been advised that a new version of the  
App has been released to hopefully fix some of the  
ongoing problems.

### **Breakfast Club - Advance Booking Problems**

If anyone is having problems making advance  
bookings on the App, please update, or please log in  
to your account via the website where  
bookings and payments are working  
without any issues.



**Please make all bookings for wrap around  
care clubs via My Child At School. Thank you.**

### **New Meals Menu**

The amended school meals menu is now available  
on the website and in the documents section of My  
Child At School.

# Happy Birthday

to pupils celebrating their birthday during the next week.

Abigail B

Matilda O

Ella U

Elijah H

## Sports Wear

We would like to say a huge thank you to families for always supporting our fundraising. With the money raised, we have been able to purchase a full set of sports wear tops for children to wear at sporting events.

Thank  
you!



## Parent Governor Vacancy

Early next week, we will be emailing further information to parents with more information and how to make a nomination for the vacancy. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

## Packed Lunch & Break Time Snacks

As we have children in school with serious allergies to nuts and nut products. Please do not send any food items that contain nut products. Also, please don't send sweets.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.



## Attendance Stars

The Class with the best weekly attendance will be rewarded with an additional activity.

This week's Attendance Stars  
are

Nursery & Year 6  
Congratulations!

## Reception Class— Stay & Learn

- On Wednesday 18th October, 2023
- families of children in Reception Class
- are invited to a stay and learn
- session in school, starting at
- 2.15 pm until 3.15 pm.
- Maximum of 2 adults per
- child please.



## Sporting Events

Events next week include:-  
3/10/23 Rugby Event @ Blackwell Meadows  
5/10/23 Multi Skills Event @ Eastbourne Sports  
More information will be sent to the teams.

## Class Outings

On Thursday 12/10/23, Year 4 are visiting Segedunum Fort. A letter has been sent to families this week and payment can be made via My Child At School.



## Nursery News

Another busy and fun week in Nursery! The children had a great time exploring in the woods and outdoor areas, they even made their own paint with blackberries.



If any families would like to add their child's name to the waiting list, we are now taking applications. We also have space for immediate starts and offer both 30 hour and 15 hour places, along with extended provision through our breakfast and after school wrap around care clubs. Please contact us.



## Cross Country

This week our incredible cross country team took part in a primary schools event at Blackwell Meadows. Out of 21 schools, all our groups finished in the top 10 and 5 children have been selected to represent to be part of Team Darlington at the Tees Valley finals. We would also like to thank family members for supporting the team.



Thank you to everyone who came along and supported the Year 6 coffee afternoon and to families for the delicious donations of cakes and biscuits. All proceeds will go to Macmillan, total to follow.