



MARCH 2026 MARYPORT CHURCH OF
ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Goodbye and good luck.....

At the end of this week, Miss Mavir will be finishing to start her maternity leave. Everyone in school wishes her and her family all the best as they prepare for their new arrival.

At the end of term, we also say goodbye to two long-serving members of staff who are retiring. Mr Ross, our caretaker, is hanging up his tools to finally take things easy (although we doubt he will be able to cope with doing nothing!). Mrs Hurst is also retiring and will spend time with her family and going on lots of holidays.

On behalf of the whole school community I extend our thanks and gratitude to both for their service and commitment to the school and wish them both the best for a long and happy retirement.

Hello and welcome.....

Miss Mavir's maternity leave will be covered by Miss Heather Fox who formerly worked in the junior school. She joins Mrs Laura Taylor and Ms Amber Gott as new members of our Early Years team.

Our new site supervisor is Mr Brian Telford who lives close by and will be working alongside Mr Ross for a few weeks to ensure a smooth handover.

Interviews for Mrs Hurst's replacement will take place in the coming weeks and will be communicated to parents once appointed.

Forgiveness

Our focus value for this half term is FORGIVENESS.

Forgiveness is the means by which damaged relationships are restored. It is an act of the will motivated by love. For Christians, Jesus' death on a cross is the ultimate revelation of God's all

forgiving love and his sacrifice stands as a source of inspiration to forgive others, no matter what the cost.

Christians believe that when they say sorry to God for the wrong things they have done, He forgives them completely and gives them a new start.

'Just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must also forgive others.' *Colossians 3.13*



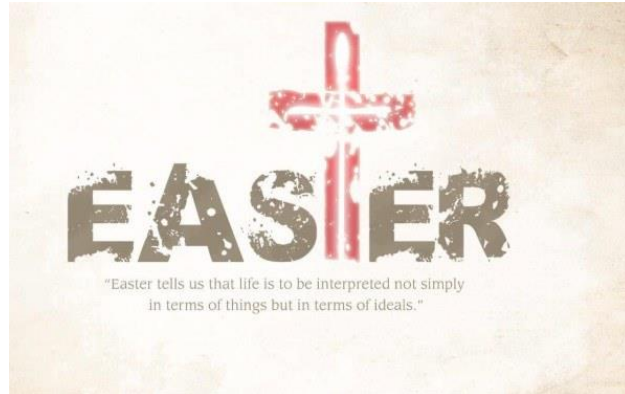
Easter craft afternoon

Our popular family craft afternoon will return on Thursday 26th March at 2pm with an Easter theme. Children will be given a boiled egg to decorate and there will be other activities to complete around school. Parents, grandparents and carers are all invited to join us on the day.



Easter Service in St Mary's Church

Our annual Easter service will take place in St Mary's Church on Wednesday 25th March at 9.30 and will be led by our Y4 children. Space in church will be limited so we ask that only relatives of the Y4 children attend. Thank you.



School Play Equipment

Please can all parents and those who drop off/collect children from school be reminded that the school play equipment is not to be used unless supervised by a member of staff during school hours.

Year 6 SATs

We will be holding a SATs information evening for the parents of our Year 6 children on Thursday 12th March at 5.30pm. Please join us if you are able to.

We are also hoping to run a session alongside our friends at MHST on supporting your child during SATs - please look out for further information.

This year, Y6 SATs will take place on the week beginning 11th May -

Monday 11th - Spelling, punctuation and grammar

Tuesday 12th - Reading

Wednesday 13th - Arithmetic and Maths Reasoning

Thursday 14th - Maths Reasoning

Year 1 phonics screening check

Miss Mein will be holding an parent information meeting for the Y1 phonics screening test on Thursday 19th March at 5pm.

This year the phonics test will be administered on the week beginning 8th June.

Reading at home - STRIVE FOR FIVE !!

The importance of reading and sharing books at home is well documented and the benefits go far beyond just being able to read the words on a page.

Our 'strive for five' initiative does not have to be a chore - 5-10 minutes a day sharing a book after tea, in the car, at bedtime or even waiting for an appointment can easily be fitted in to even the busiest of lifestyles.

CARS ON THE DRIVE

For the safety of our children - please can all parents and carers not use the school driveway for drop off or pick up - at any time of the day and whatever the weather. Only those who have got permission from Mrs Ormond may use the drive.



DIARY DATES

2 March - Y6 brass concert at the Carnegie

2nd March - Pine class farm visit

4th March - Juniper class farm visit

5th March - World Book Day

6th March - Ash class farm visit

11th March - Y5/6 Maple and Oak visit to the Beacon

12th March - Y5/6 Beech visit to the Beacon

12th March - SATs meeting for Y6 parents 5pm

13th March - Go Orange day

13th March - Y4 level 1 cyclewise training

16-20th March - Book Fair in school

19th March - phonics meeting for Y1 parents

20th March - Comic Relief day

23rd - 24th March - Parents Evenings

25th March - Easter service in church

25th March - Y5/6 Tag rugby at Netherhall

26th March - Easter craft afternoon

27th March - Finish for Easter at 1.30



UNIFORM

Please can all parents/carers ensure that children are coming to school each day with the correct uniform.

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- *Grey trousers/skirts/pinafores*
 - *optional checked skirt/pinafore*
 - *White polo shirt*
 - *Navy blue jumper/cardigan*
 - *black shoes*
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PE

- *Black shorts/leggings/joggers*
 - *white t.shirt*
 - *optional blue hoody*
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Forest school

- *old trousers, jumpers and coats*
 - *wellies*
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IMPORTANT

The only jewellery to be worn in school is a watch (NOT a smart watch) and stud earrings which must be removed for PE.

Acrylic nails and make up are NOT to be worn for school. Any lip products must be handed to the adults in class to ensure they are applied appropriately.

