



We were all very excited to hear that we were going to have snow this week, but it hasn't turned out as it had initially been thought, at the time that I had written the newsletter.



Thank you to everyone who came along to the Phonics Workshop that was held on Tuesday; feedback has been very positive. We are always looking at ways in which we can show parents how they can help their children at home. If you have any suggestions in how we can do this, please email the school office.

Class 1 and Class 2 were so excited to show their parents all the wonderful learning that is happening in Reception on Wednesday. Thank you to all who gave up their time to come along to the Stay and Play session.



The school has been very excited about the hatching of our ducklings, who have enjoyed the fuss they have caused in school, thankfully!



HOLY FAMILY PARISH NEWS

Thank you to everyone who attended our mass yesterday, which Year 4 led. We are very fortunate that we are able to celebrate mass in school. The next one is Thursday 23rd March, which Year 5 will be leading.

During Lent, children will be involved in thinking about others and we are taking part in the CAFOD Big Lent Walk. Classes have been deciding how they want to be involved in this walk and your child will tell you what their class has decided to do. More information about CAFOD and the Big Lent Walk can be found here: <https://cafod.org.uk/fundraise/big-lent-walk>. Don't forget, we are selling purple ribbons for 50p. These are available from your child's class teacher.

SPECIAL PERSON STALL

On Monday, we will be holding our world-famous special person stall. This stall brings the shop to the children and allows them to purchase an item (secretly) for someone special in their life to be given on Sunday 19th March. Items

are £1.50 and children can purchase 1 item. If we do have items left over, children will be able to purchase an additional item on Tuesday 14th March.

BOOKS

Many of our reading book boxes are empty. Can you please have a look at home for any reading books your child has not returned to school and please return them next week. As you can appreciate, books are expensive and there aren't additional funds to replace books that have not been returned to school.

STRIKE

At present, school is open as normal to the majority of pupils.

The classes that were closed to pupils at the beginning of February will be closed again to pupils.

Strike dates are:

Wednesday 15 March 2023

Thursday 16 March 2023

ATTENDANCE

ATTEND TODAY
ACHIEVE TOMORROW



Well done to everyone!! Attendance, this week, has been the second highest since we returned to school in September! This week, our overall attendance was 94.7%. Well done!!

Special shout-out to Class 14, who have had 97.3% attendance this week. Well done Class 14!

Please remember to telephone the school office by 9.15am each day your child is absent. Any unexplained absences are recorded as 'unauthorised'.

VACANCY – LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR

If you know of anyone who would be interested in working in our school as a Lunchtime Supervisor, please direct them to our school website for further information:

<https://bhcet.org.uk/vacancies>

SCHOOL MEALS – Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6

We have been informed by Hartlepool Borough Council that the cost of a school meal will rise after Easter from £2.13 per day to £2.41 per day (£12.05 per week). If you wish to change your child's meal arrangements, please inform the school office (not via Class Dojo) by **27th March** to allow us to give accurate meal numbers to the cook before she places her food order.

MEDIA CONSENT FORMS

All children have been given a Media Consent Form this week. Can you please ensure it is completed and returned next week, at the very latest.

RED NOSE DAY (NON-UNIFORM DAY) – FRIDAY 17TH MARCH

School will be celebrating Red Nose Day next Friday. Children can come into school out of uniform, for either a small donation, which will be sent off to support the Red Nose charity or an Easter egg that will be used at the school Easter tombola.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Sunday 12 th March	First Holy Communion Preparation: 9am St Joseph's and St Patrick's, 10am St John Vianney.
Monday 13 th March	Special person stall. All items £1.50
Wednesday 15 th March	NEU Strike Day – school open to most classes apart from those that have been closed previously for strike action.
Thursday 16 th March	NEU Strike Day – school open to most classes apart from those that have been closed previously for strike action.
Friday 17 th March	Special Person Liturgical Service and Afternoon Tea for Year 1 parents 1.45pm.
Wednesday 22 nd March	Nursery – Ugly Bug Ball – children will dress as mini-beasts
Thursday 23 rd March	9.15am Mass, in school. Year 5 to lead.
W/B 27 th March	Parent Consultation Evenings
Friday 31 st March	School closes for the Easter holidays.
Sunday 2 nd April	First Holy Communion Preparation: 9am St Joseph's and St Patrick's, 10am St John Vianney.
Monday 17 th April	School reopens at 8.30am, 7.45am for Breakfast Club children.
Monday 1 st May	Bank Holiday Monday, school closed.
Thursday 4 th May	School Photographs. More information to follow

Friday 5 th May	School celebration of the Coronation. More information to follow.
Saturday 6 th May	King Charles III Coronation.
Monday 8 th May	Additional Bank Holiday Monday for the King's coronation, school closed.
Tuesday 9 th May	Year 6 KS2 SATs week.
Saturday 13 th May	Children to make their First Holy Communion: 10am St John Vianney, 12pm St Joseph's and 2pm St Patrick's.
Thursday 18 th May	Year 5 Class 11 trip to Danelaw (Murton Park) £28 per child.
Friday 19 th May	Year 5 Class 12 trip to Danelaw (Murton Park) £28 per child.
Thursday 22 nd June	Year 1 trip to Life Centre in Newcastle £15 per child.
Wednesday 28 th June	Year 4 trip to Life Centre in Newcastle £15 per child.
Thursday 29 th June	Year 6 Diocesan Youth Festival
Wednesday 5 th July	KS2 Sports Day all day – Grayfields
Thursday 13 th July	Year 6 trip to Flamingoland

Items in red are new this week.

Thank you for your continued support.



Headteacher

