



Dates For Your Diary

Monday 3rd June 2024- Children return to school

Wednesday 12th June 2024- Father's Day Afternoon Tea (2.30pm- 3.15) all welcome

Friday 5th July 2024- Family Fun Day (3.15-5.15) all welcome

Friday 12th July 2024- Key Stage 2 to see Awful Auntie at Darlington Hippodrome

Tuesday 16th July 2024- Key Stage 2 production (1.30pm-more info to follow)

Wednesday 17th July 2024- Disco 3.15pm -5pm

Friday 19th July 2024- Leavers' assembly - 9.10am (more info to follow)

Friday 19th July 2024- Colour Run- 2.15pm (more info to follow)

Friday 19th July 2024- Children break up from school for summer holiday



First Holy Communion

Congratulations to Melody, Isla, Max, Fabian and Kajetan who made their First Holy Communion on Saturday 11th May.

You read beautifully and looked fabulous!

May Highlights

World Children's Day-

On Friday 24th May, we celebrated World Children's Day. Last July, a 9-year-old boy called Alessandro, suggested the idea of a big celebration of children in the Church. "I like it very much," the Pope replied. Pope Francis decided to make Alessandro's idea come to life! Across the day, the children took part in a range of fun activities and had party food. It was a great day!

Mental Health Awareness Week-

From Monday 13th – Friday 17th May, it was Mental Health Awareness Week. The theme of the week was 'Movement'. A huge well done to our wellbeing leaders for leading a whole school assembly on this.

Key Stage 2 SATs-

From Monday 13th-Thursday 16th May, our Year 6 pupils took their SATs. We are so proud of how they approached these and the effort they put into them. The children also worked extremely hard preparing for their SATs. Well done Year 6!

World Fairtrade Day-

Saturday 11th May was World Fair Trade Day. A huge thank you to our Fairtrade group for leading an assembly for the whole school to tell us about what Fair Trade does and what we can do to help. Every Friday, our Fairtrade group sell chocolate bars for 30p and the proceeds go to Fairtrade.



Happy Birthday

to pupils celebrating their birthday during May



Oliver B
Nathan

Oliver S
Liwia
Ava O

Logan F
Simon
Anna

Jared
Xander



Attendance

Children are required to be at school by 9am as our core subject lessons (English and Maths) begin immediately after registration.

Appointments should be made out of school time where possible please.

Holidays should be taken outside of term time.

The Department for Education deems that if a child's attendance drops below 90%, they become known as a Persistent Absentee. All absences are monitored thoroughly.

To celebrate great attendance, children with 100% in a week receive 10 dojos on a Friday.

Below are the percentages of attendance for each class for May:

Matthew (Nursery/Reception) –93%

Mark (Year 1/2) – 90%

Luke (Year 3/4) – 86%

John (Year 5/6) – 90%

The government's target for attendance for primary school pupils is at least 95%.

Our whole school attendance for May was 89.8%.

Our whole school attendance since the beginning of September is 91.3%.

A child is classed as late if they arrive at school after 9.20am.

0.9% of our pupils arrived late in May.

A child is classed as unauthorised absence is they arrive at school after 9.30am.

2.4% of our pupils had unauthorised absences in May.



Uniform

School uniform promotes a sense of pride in the school and makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance.

If your child is not in correct school uniform, we will ask for correct uniform to be brought in for your child to change into.

Our uniform is:

- Red sweatshirt or sweat cardigan



- White polo shirt



- Grey trousers or skirt/pinafore dress



- Sensible, plain black leather shoes/ trainers



Jeans and leggings are not permitted. Skirts and trousers should be grey not black.

PE

On PE days, children are to come to school dressed in their PE kit.

Mark (Year 1/2)- Thursday

Luke (Year 3/4)- Friday

John (Year 5/6)- Thursday

Our PE uniform is:

- Plain white T-shirt with no branding or logos from professional sports teams
- Plain black shorts or tracksuit bottoms with no branding or logos from professional

sports teams

- Red sweatshirt or sweat cardigan or hoodie
- Suitable black trainers

If your child comes to school in PE kit on a day which is not their PE day, we will ask for uniform to be brought in for your child to change into.

Mini Vinnies Update

We have a sharing shelf for uniform and food in the main reception area. We would greatly appreciate donations. Please feel free to take items from the shelves.

On Monday 20th May, we led whole school worship on Pentecost as Sunday 19th May was Pentecost Sunday in church.



School Council Update

Frozen Fridays are back!



Every Friday this half term the school council will be selling ice pops for 30p at home time in the playground.

Change would be greatly appreciated.