



It is very busy for the next half of term; we hit the ground running every week, so please read this carefully and ask us if you have any questions.

Thank you to the parents who supported our Y6 through their SATS booster classes and exams. Y6 are now looking forward to their summer performance together with Y3,4, and 5. More details will be given closer to the time. The performances will be at 6.00pm on the evenings of 16th and 17th of July, more information about ticket sales will be available next half of term.



We are all looking forward to the PTA Summer Fair at Bamburgh Pavillion, on Sunday June 9th, at 11.00am, with a dog show at 1.00pm. There is an interesting collection of stalls signed up and an amazing raffle. We are still looking for tombola prizes; these can be left at school. Offers of help, and baking closer to the time, would be much appreciated

As we head towards the end of the school year, all the finances need to balance. If you require a bill for the second half of this term for lunches, swimming, clubs etc, please get in touch.

All money needs to be sent in to school on a Monday morning, in a clearly marked envelope, detailing what you are paying. All cheques, unless advised otherwise, need to be payable to Northumberland County Council. Please do not send money in children's pockets, with no indication of what it is paying!

We start cricket after school for Y3,4,5,6 on a Monday, starting the first Monday back (3rd June). There are still spaces; please get in touch before the end of this week. Pick up is 4.30pm and the cost is £2.50 per session. We continue Tennis after school on a Friday for the next half of term.

On Thursdays after half term, Y5 and Y6 will go across the field to our Forest School with Mrs Swinbank. Long trousers and wellies or walking boots will be needed.

Our Y6 have started their water safety lessons and after half term they will need to bring in a pair of pyjamas. The pool staff have asked that they have something that is 2 piece (no onesies) not fleece, T shirt and leggings or similar if they don't have pyjamas.

On Thursday 13th June, all Y3 are playing in a tennis match – full school PE kit please.

On Wednesday 19th June, Y6 will be walking from their swimming session to the Duchess High school for an RE Anne Frank project, with the High School staff.

On Thursday 20th June, Y6 will be going to Newcastle Cathedral for the Newcastle Diocesan Leavers' service. They will also be visiting the Discovery Museum. Smart school uniform and sensible shoes please.

On Thursday 20th June, in the morning we will be having an under 3 toddler Forest school session. Please could you advertise this for us? Every child will need to be accompanied by an adult.

Please have a PE kit in school. Always bring a coat. Don't forget swimming on Thursdays. Please stay away from school for 48 hours if you have been sick or have diarrhoea. If you wish to discuss anything with a Parent governor please use the dedicated, confidential email address ellinghamparents@gmail.com

On Friday 21st June, 2 teams of 10 children, chosen from Y3,4,5 and 6, will play rugby at the Falcons ground at Kingston Park. You will know after half term if your child is playing.

On Tuesday 25th June, Y3 and 4 will be attending the Alnwick Music Day at Alnwick Gardens. The children will only be there for the morning performance. In the past, parents have tried to go and watch but due to the unconfirmed and changeable nature of the performance, parents have been disappointed and missed their children perform. The garden is open to visitors on that day.



On Tuesday 2nd July, Reception and Early Years are going to Howick Gardens. More information closer to the time

On Thursday 4th July, our Y6 children will be going to a transition day at the Duchess' High School. We will transport them as a group in the morning, but they will need picking up from the High School (Willowburn / Sainsbury's car park), at the end of the day. We will confirm the exact time closer to the visit.

On Monday 8th July, Y6 will be attending a Robotics project afternoon at the Duchess' High School, returning for the end of the school day.

On Tuesday 9th July, Y1 and 2 will be visiting Warkworth Castle; more details closer to the time.

On Friday 12th July, Y6 are going to Alnmouth for a beach day transition event.

On Monday July 15th, we will be holding our Sports Day. There will be no school transport available on this day to allow us to extend the timing. If you are not intending to come to Sports Day and your child travels home on school transport, please let us know so we can make arrangements for your child to get home.



There is a lot planned this term so please read these dates carefully. Further dates may be added.

Weds 22 nd May- Weds 3rd July	6 ongoing water safety sessions for Y6 –
Tuesday 4 th June	Y6 Beamish Museum – 4.30pm pick up – parents have been informed
Thursday 13 th June	Y3 tennis match – all of Y3
Wednesday 19 th June	Y6 Ann Frank project at DCHS (after swimming)
Thursday 20 th June	Y6 Leavers' Service at Newcastle Cathedral
Thursday 20 th June	Toddler Forest School session
Friday 21 st June	Y3/4/5/6 - 2 teams for Rugby Festival

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Tuesday 25 th June	Y3/4 Musical Roots – Alnwick Garden
Wednesday 26 th June	Y5 Maths transition session DCHS
Thursday 27 th – Friday 28 th	Y3/4 Residential details have been sent out
Monday 1 st July	Y6 transition sports festival DCHS
Tuesday 2 nd July	EYFS to Howick Gardens
Thursday 4 th July	Y6 transition day at DCHS we will transport Y6. Parents need to collect
Friday 5 th July	Leavers Service 9.30 am Ellingham Church all parents welcome
Friday 5 th July	Y5 camping at school adventure night – more details closer to the time.
Monday 8 th July	Y6 Robotics workshop DCHS
Tuesday 9 th July	Y 1 and 2 to Warkworth Castle
Tuesday 9 th July	Y3,4,5,and 6 to Lucker Village Hall for dress rehearsal
Friday 12 th July	Y6 Beach Day at Alnmouth
Monday 15 th July	Sports Day 1.00pm - no school transport will be available, Sports Day will finish later than the usual school day.
Tuesday 16 th July	KS2 Theatre performance at Lucker Village Hall 6.00pm
Wednesday 17 th July	KS2 Theatre performance at Lucker Village Hall 6.00pm

A Heads up for Y5 parents,

In November 2019 , we will be taking our Y6 children (current Y5) to Robin Wood at Barhaugh Hall, Alston Cumbria. A brochure will be available when we return for the new school year. Robinwood is a residential activity centre with many years of experience with schools. The visit will be 2 nights and the activities will include among others, giant swing, zip wire, canoeing, archery, obstacle course; promoting teamwork and resilience. We would like to give your children valuable, new experiences in preparation for Secondary school and we hope they can all take part, with your support. The cost will be £175.00, this can be paid in instalments if required. There are a maximum of 13 spaces this year.

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