

What's On at West

growing future stars

This Week in School:

Year 3 Trip to Gibside: Mrs Brewster and staff who accompanied the Year 3 children on the residential trip to Gibside would like to congratulate the children on their enthusiasm and behaviour on this trip. The children had an amazing time (despite the weather) and I am sure you will agree it was a wonderful experience for them. We hope to repeat the trip next year.

Academisation Update: It is now 'almost' confirmed that our academisation will happen on 1st July 2017. This means our celebration event will take place on Friday 30th June 2017.

Due to the fact that we already have Sports Day and the Summer Fair scheduled for Thursday 29th June 2017, which parents generally attend, we have altered the arrangements for the 'Carnival' event, so that children will not be disadvantaged and disappointed if parents are unable to attend this and they then miss out.

The children will now attend the Carnival with their teacher and class from 1.15pm until 2.00pm. The formal assembly will then follow at 2.15pm, which parents of children in the choir only are invited to attend (arrive from 2.05pm). The children will then be dismissed as normal at 3.00pm when the Carnival will recommence so children and parents/carers can enjoy this event together until 3.45pm. **This means parents do not need to attend any events during Friday's school day until after 3.00pm if they wish.**

NB: Any Nursery children who do not normally attend on a Friday are welcome to join us for the afternoon on this day. They should be dropped off at Nursery at 1.00pm and collected at 3.00pm. Alternatively they could come along from 3.00pm with an adult. If it is your intention to bring your child in for the additional afternoon session then please let the school office know directly (email, phone or in person) by Friday 16th June 2017 so that we can ensure the correct adult:child ratio.

Due to the fact that the academisation is happening so close to the end of the year, Year 4 children will not receive the free jumper or cardigan previously mentioned. They will instead receive a Prudhoe West Academy gift when they leave at the end of the year. All other children will receive their jumper or cardigan at the event on 30th June 2017.

Donations: If any children have any 'U' classification kids DVDs at home they no longer watch they would be very much appreciated by Shining Stars Kids' Club. Thank you to those parents who donated board games and jigsaws; we are very grateful.

Headlice: Further to the letter which was emailed to all parents this week; all children need to have long hair tied back at all times in school. Can I also request that the whole family checks their hair for headlice in order to eradicate this on-going problem in school.

Coming Up:

Year 2 Father's Day Assembly: Friday 16th June 2017. All parents of children in Year 2 are welcome to attend. Tea and coffee will be available in the hall before the assembly from 8.30 am – a small donation to school fund would be much appreciated. The assembly will begin at 9.00am and last for approximately 15 minutes.

Phonics Assessments: Next week (Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 14th 15th 16th June) all children in Year 1, and some from Year 2, will be completing a compulsory, national phonics assessment. This activity is designed to see whether they are working at the expected level in this area of learning. The children will be asked to use their phonic skills to read 40 'words', some of which are real words and some of which are 'alien/made-up' words. The assessment is delivered on a 1:1 basis by a member of staff with whom the children are familiar. The children have had 'mock' assessments on five occasions already this year so are well used to this. You will be notified of the results of these assessments in your child's End of Year Reports.

Newcastle Eagles Basketball Coaching: Monday and Tuesday (12th and 13th June) next week for all children except Nursery. Please ensure your child has their full PE kit in school.

PTA Meeting: Tuesday 13th June 2017, 3.00pm. Crèche available. This is to make arrangements for the Summer Fair on 29th June 2017. At present there is a possibility the fair will not go ahead due to lack of support. Unless sufficient parents commit to help organise and run this event by the meeting date (Tuesday 13th June) the fair will be cancelled.

Father's Day: The PTA will be at school selling Father's Day gifts on Wednesday 14th, Thursday 15th and Friday 16th June 2017. Prices of gifts will range from £1.00 - £4.00. Should your child wish to purchase a gift please send money in a named envelope.

Prudhoe West Art Gallery: A few years ago our children painted beautiful flower themed pictures; these pictures were framed and displayed in school. Parents were then invited to school to view our art gallery and given the opportunity to buy their child's artwork. We are holding another art gallery event on **Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st June 2017** after school. Each class has chosen their own theme. The pictures will be available to buy and multiple copies ordered if required. More details will be sent out nearer the time. **Salto**, our uniform supplier, will also be present on these nights for anyone wanting to try on or order uniform.

Welcome Meeting for Nursery New Starters: Tuesday 20th June 2017 at 6.00pm in the Foundation Stage Unit (FSU). This meeting is for all nursery parents. Parents of children who already attend Prudhoe West Nursery are also encouraged to attend to meet the new class teacher and staff.



Welcome Meeting for Reception New Starters: This meeting will be held on Wednesday 21st June 2017, 6.00pm in the Foundation Stage Unit (FSU). This will give you the opportunity to meet the staff; look around the Unit; try some school meal samples and browse our school uniform.

All nursery and reception parents: If you have not already done so; please bring your child's birth certificate or passport to the meeting or show it at the school office.

Talk Homework:

Next week is **Bike Week**. Who in your family owns a bike? Have you any happy memories from special bike rides? Why is riding a bike good for us and how can we keep safe?

Congratulations to Class 3 who had 98.6% attendance the last week of term.

Well done to all the classes who achieved our 95% target.

The last week of term our overall attendance was **96.6%**.

Please make every effort to ensure your child gets to school each day to help us improve even more.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
% Attendance	96.5	97.5	98.6	94.5	94.8	97.9	98.3	97.7	94.2	96.3

Poor punctuality means your child misses valuable learning time and that lessons are disrupted for all other pupils.

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School Meals Menu

Next week will be the

Week 1 Menu

Please see the school website for more details

Vacancy

Lunchtime Supervisory Assistant

5 hours 25 minutes per week – 12.00 noon to 1.05 pm 5 days per week preferable, but less will be considered. Salary Band 1 points 6 – 9£1,666 - £1,723 pa or £7.52 - £7.76 per hour

Required as soon as possible. Lunch time supervision offers an ideal opportunity for you to begin working with children in both a formal and informal setting, supporting their social and physical development. This work entails supervising the children during their lunchtime whilst eating their lunch, and during play which includes outdoor supervision.

For further details please contact the school office. Closing date is noon on Monday 19th June 2017.

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of its pupils and young people, and expects all staff to share this commitment. The appointment of the successful candidate will depend upon the receipt of an ENHANCED DBS check, satisfactory references and health screening.