



7th June 2019

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Dear Families and Governors,

Welcome back! We hope you all had an enjoyable half term break. The children certainly needed a rest after what was a very busy half term. We have lots to look forward to during the final half term of this academic year. Keep an eye on the 'Key Dates' section for upcoming events.

Furry Friends

We have had a bit of an animal theme running through school this week. On Monday we welcomed the PDSA into school. They spoke to the children about caring for pets. The children discussed the key things that a dog would need in order to be cared for properly. The children really enjoyed sharing information about their own pets and home experiences.

We now also have our own pets in school. Miss McDowell has kindly offered to share her gorgeous guinea pigs (Bubble and Squeak) with us. Initially year 3 will learn how to take care of them and once they have settled in, children from across school will be invited to spend time with and care for them (with parental consent of course).



STEM work

The children in year's 5 and 6 enjoyed a STEM workshop this week and our University partners also ran a family workshop for KS2 this week. Parents and children were learning about force whilst making sling shots to fire marshmallows.

Year 5 Residential

Our year 5 children are currently enjoying a two day visit to Berwick. They have so far enjoyed Canoeing and a brief history talk of Berwick. We look forward to hearing all about their trip next week. Keep an eye on Explore4All's Facebook page for photographs.



Sunshine Fund

Thank you to everyone who supported the Sunshine Fund's 'Go Bananas in Pyjamas' campaign today. We appreciate all of your kind donations. We will post details of monies raised on our school website.

Appropriate Clothing on School Yard

We have had a number of complaints that some adults are wearing nightwear to drop off their children on a morning. Please can we ask you do not do this? I am sure you will agree it is important for us to set a good example about what is appropriate to our children to prepare them for adult life.

Attendance

This week's attendance champions are: Reception!

Last half term's winners were: Year 2!
They will be choosing their attendance treat very soon.

Our attendance figures this week are as follows:-

Nursery – 97.7%
Reception – 100%
Year 1 – 95.9%
Year 2 – 96.4%
Year 3 – 95%
Year 4 – 96.4%
Year 5 – 97.7%
Year 6 – 93.8%

KEY DATES

10th June – Phonic Screening this week
12th June – Year 4 Great North Museum Trip
13th June – Open the Book Assembly
14th June – NSPCC Workshops for Year 5/6
17th June – Reception Audio Screening
24th June – Quorn Sessions for Years 3 – 6
24th June – Year 6 Smoking Talk with School Nurse
1st & 2nd July – Year 6 Residential
3rd July – Northumbrian Water Super Splash Heroes Show
4th July – 1.30pm & 4.00pm – New Nursery & Reception Welcome Meetings
5th July – 'Black, White & Pink' Day in aid of Peoples Kitchen
12th July – Reception Graduation – Time TBC
16th July – Year 6 Leavers Assembly – Time TBC
17th July – Sports Day - Times TBC
19th July – School Breaks up for Summer – 1.30pm finish

If you have any ideas about school improvement or can help out in school in any way, please do not hesitate to call in and see us.

Thank you for your continued support.
Kindest Regards
Mrs. A. Oliver (Head Teacher)