



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school for the Spring Term, although we are definitely still waiting for the spring weather! I hope that you all had a restful and enjoyable break at Christmas and New Year. We are still eating our way through many goodies which you sent in at the end of term, thank you so much for your generosity and thoughtfulness.

Please see below for some news and information, including a dates list with new events. The school website calendar is up to date too.

## NEWS

### Packed Lunches

If your child brings a packed lunch to school every day, you might be able to make use of some new info which we have put on the website with ideas for making easy and healthy packed lunches. These are the Packed Lunch Guidance, the Lunchbox Builder and the Change For Life Tips and can be found at <http://www.broadway.newcastle.sch.uk/website/parents/123782> .



### Eco Week

Thanks for all of your donations of rubbish last week! We had a great time turning recyclable waste into art which will soon be displayed in school. The children are passionate about eco issues and the Eco Warriors have been leading the schools' work to increase awareness about some of the biggest problems including plastic waste. As a school, we are looking at ways to be more eco-friendly and educate everyone about what they can do to make a difference.



## Parking

Another plea to drive and park responsibly around school. Parents are frequently reporting to us that there are cars on the yellow zig zags, in the disabled bay and the space adjacent to the disabled bay. Parents, carers and all members of the public are entitled to report these cars to the police and we have also asked for the camera car to visit our site more frequently. We have families who need to use the disabled bay and are disadvantaged by other people's thoughtless choices and actions. Please consider other people who need this space before you block it. Thank you

## Interim Reports

For the first time, this February, we are sending home interim reports for pupils. From your feedback, we know that you like to receive as much information as possible regarding your children's progress and attainment. We have tried to give you an indication of whether we think that your child will reach the expected standard by the end of the year and we have included targets for reading, writing and maths. We will include information with the report to explain what it means. It will be very brief compared to an annual report but we hope that it will help you to understand how your child is getting on and what you can do to help. The next Parents' Evenings are planned for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> April.

## Staffing News

Mrs Rawling has been with us for two weeks now in Class 7 (Thursdays and Fridays) and the children have enjoyed getting to know her. She has worked hard to make sure that there has been a seamless transition for the children, thank you Mrs Rawling!

Miss Bomell had some sad news today and as a result she is travelling to France to help to plan and attend her Grandfather's funeral. She will be absent for the rest of the week and we send her with our condolences and look forward to seeing her back next week. We have planned cover for Blue Class with existing staff and a supply teacher, Mrs Beazley.

## Dates List

Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> January	Governors' Meeting 5pm
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Gosforth Voices
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	Class 5 assembly 9.15am Group of Reception children to visit Archbishop Runcie for multi skills
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	Class 4 Let's do Lunch Week (all week)
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	Class 2 assembly 9.15am Gosforth Voices
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> February	interim Reports from school
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Phonics Intervention Workshop (invitations to follow)
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Class 6 assembly 9.15am
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents and Carers' Esafety workshop 2.15pm Break up for half term holiday
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Back to school
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	Gosforth Voices
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Class 5 Let's do Lunch (all week)
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	SATs meeting for parents/carers of children in Y2 6pm
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Governors' Meeting 5pm
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Gosforth Voices

Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Class 6 Let's do Lunch Week (all week) Big Pedal
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Gosforth Voices
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Class 7 assembly 9.15am
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Parents' Evening The Book Bus Book Fair
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Parents' Evening The Book Bus Book Fair
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Football Tournament for GST @ BEFS
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Break up for Easter Holiday
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Return to school for summer term
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	Class 7 Let's do Lunch Week (all week)
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday (school closed)
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Governors' Meeting 5pm
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Reception class assembly for September 2019 New Starters 9.15am
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Reception class assembly for parents and carers 9.15am Daft as a Brush Day Break up for half term Holiday
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Training Day – school closed to children
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Gosforth Schools' Trust SEN Fair @ Gosforth Central Middle - time tbc Gosforth Voices
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	KS1 Visit to Segedunum (tbc)
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Governors' Meeting 5pm
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Big Gig
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Class 3 assembly 9.15am
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Gosforth Pyramid @ Trinity Church – details tbc
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Class 4 assembly 9.15am
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Annual Reports sent home
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Break up for Summer Holiday

Please remember to regularly check the website calendar so that you don't miss anything new.

Best wishes,

Helen McKenna  
Headteacher