

Winter Weather

Thank you for your patience and support last week when school was closed. The safety of the children is the most important factor when deciding to close a school. Due to the adverse weather I could not guarantee there were enough staff able to get in to ensure the safety of all the children.

Please ensure all children have adequate footwear and coats to go out – it is extremely cold but children need to be expending their energy at playtimes and lunchtimes.

Events in school

Year 4 had a fantastic time at Dukeshouse Wood - they all had a great time and showed fantastic teamwork. The children supported each other and made Brunton very proud of them. Thank you to the staff who gave up their own time to go with the children.

STEM week

We had to postpone some visitors and so there will be some STEM activities taking place during the next few weeks.

World Book Day - Roald Dahl

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 8th March so don't forget to come to school in your Roald dahl costumes.

Gosforth Voices Tour

Gosforth Voices will be entertaining us on Friday 16th March as part of their tour. Anyone in year 3 and 4 can be part of the Voices. They will also be performing at the Newcastle Schools' Achievement awards on Thursday 22nd March.

Gregg's Cancer Run - Sunday 20th May

We would love to win the trophy again for raising the most across all the schools who take part - let's try and do it! Don't forget to sign up as a fundraiser.

We will be holding a fundraising day in school as well as Bike it Breakfasts.

Illness

We have had a lot of children absent with sickness and/or diarrhoea. Can you please keep your child off for 2 days after their last bout to minimise the spread of the bugs across classes.

Daft as a Brush

Our Brunton Voices from years 2, 3 and 4 visited Daft as a Brush to see the bus which Brian Burnie is using for his mammoth fundraiser.

Our Year 1 children will be planting our planters during summer term. This is also the Gosforth Schools' Trust charity this year.

This year we will be holding our Daft as a Brush non-uniform day on Thursday 29th March. The donation for non-uniform day is £1.50. The sillier outfit the better.



Easter Activities

In **Reception** there will be an Easter Egg hunt as well as decorating an egg.

In **Years 1 and 2** parents are invited to join their children for an Easter crafts morning on Thursday 29th March – details to follow.

In **Year 3** parents are invited in to help their children to decorate an Easter egg on Thursday 29th March.

Due to year 4 assemblies and cycling they will have an activities morning in the summer term.



Mother's Day assemblies

Friday 9th March

We are having two Mother's Day assemblies at 9.00am and at 2.00pm as we did last year to fit all the children into the hall to perform.

Apologies if you have a time which is difficult for you to attend but there is no other way but to split classes. Alongside this we then have to ensure siblings are together. This is fairly difficult for 392 children and we do the best we can.

At 9.00 am the following classes will be taking part led by 4GT:

3SL, 2LB, $\frac{1}{2}$ 2AB, 1AC, $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1AR, RGB and $\frac{1}{2}$ of RNR

At 2.00pm the following classes will be taking part led by 4NM:

3PP, 2MH, $\frac{1}{2}$ 2AB, 1JG, $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1AR, RAH and $\frac{1}{2}$ of RNR

Mums - check which assembly your child will be in as we have moved siblings around so they will be in the same assembly. Remember only mums are invited.

These dates are as accurate as they can be. I will update the dates in every newsletter.

| Dates for your Diary – Spring Term | | |
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| Date | Time | Event |
| Tuesday 6 th March | All day | Y4 visit to the Victoria Tunnel |
| Wednesday 7 th March | am | Year 3 visit to Seven Stories |
| Thursday 8 th March | 9.00am | SATs meeting – Year 2 parents only |
| Friday 9 th March | 9.00am/2.00pm | Mother's Day Assembly – mums only |
| Friday 9 th March | All day | Year 4 Cycling |
| Tuesday 13 th March | 9.00am | RAH class assembly |
| Tuesday 13 th March | 6.00pm | SATs meeting – Year 2 parents only |
| Wednesday 14 th March | 9.00am | RNR class assembly |
| Thursday 15 th March | 9.00am | RGB class assembly |
| Thursday 15 th March | All day | Year 4 Cycling |
| Tuesday 20 th March | 6.00pm | Robinwood meeting for Y3 parents |
| Wednesday 21 st March | 9.00am | 2LB class assembly |
| Thursday 22 nd March | 9.00am | 2AB class assembly |
| Thursday 22 nd March | All day | Year 4 Cycling |
| Thursday 22 nd March | am | Year 3 Smart Scoot workshop |
| Friday 23 rd March | 9.00am | 2MH class assembly |
| Monday 26 th March | 3.30 – 7.00pm | Parent's Evening – book in via parentmail from Monday 12 th March all classes except 4NM and 1AR |
| Tuesday 27 th March | 9.00am | 4GT class assembly |
| Tuesday 27 th March | 3.30 – 6.00pm | Parent's Evening – book in via parentmail from Monday 12 th March |
| Wednesday 28 th March | 9.00am | 4NM class assembly |
| Wednesday 28 th March | morning | 1AR and 1JG visit to Centre for Life |
| Wednesday 28 th March | afternoon | 1AC visit to Centre for Life – please note – a late pick up from school |
| Wednesday 28 th March | 3.30 start | Parents evening for 4NM and 1AR instead of Monday |
| Thursday 29 th March | All day | Daft as a Brush non-uniform day |
| Thursday 29 th March | All day | Year 4 cycling |
| Thursday 29 th March | morning | Easter activities for reception, Year 1, 2 and 3 |
| Thursday 29 th March | 3.15pm | School closes for Easter |
| Monday 16 th April | | School opens for the summer term |
| Monday 16 th April | 9.00am | Year 4 Curriculum and Coffee |
| Tuesday 17 th April | 9.00am | Year 3 Curriculum and Coffee |
| Wednesday 18 th April | 9.00am | Year 1 Curriculum and Coffee |
| Thursday 19 th April | 9.00am | Year 2 Curriculum and Coffee |
| Friday 20 th April | 9.00am | Reception Curriculum and Coffee |