



Newsletter

Friday 24th May 2019

Attendance up to 23rd May 2019

Nursery 91%	Reception 95%	Year 1 96%	Year 2 96%	Year 3 95%	Year 4 96%	Year 5 97%	Year 6 97%
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Well done to Years 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6 who reached the Government average of 96% for their attendance.

A very well done to YEAR 5 AND 6 who had the best attendance in school.

Just a reminder for parents that attendance and punctuality is something that is monitored very closely in school and if parents are thinking of taking holiday in term time, they will be reported to the Local Authority and may be fined.

Coffee Morning

As you know, we are an 'Operation Encompass School', which means that we work closely with the Police supporting families and children that are victims of domestic violence. The Operation Encompass staff are now extending their remit and will be coming in to school to work with the children on their PHSE – Personal, Health, Social, Emotional curriculum. They are keen to support families and inform them about their role in our community. In order to do this, we have organised a coffee morning on **Wednesday 12th June**. Claire George our Chair of Governors, Susan Yeldham our Parent Support Adviser and Dale Brown, our Operation Encompass School Liaison Officer, will all be attending our coffee morning. If you would like any information about Operation Encompass before then please contact the school office.

Book bus

On **Wednesday 12th June**, as well as our coffee morning, we will have a book bus on the school yard from 8.30am until 4.30pm. Please come and have a look at what is on offer. For all books purchased, school will receive commission to spend on books for our school library. If any parent would like to purchase a book, sign it and donate it to the school library, we would be very grateful.

Smarties tubes

We collected £300 in 5ps from the Smarties tube appeal for Father Smith's outreach work in Kenya. We are making arrangements to present the cheque to Father Smith.

Lunchtime supervisor

I have received a letter from George Mitford informing us that he will be taking early retirement from his position of lunchtime supervisor. I would like to take this opportunity to thank George for all his years of service at lunchtime supporting the children.

Lining up in the school yard

Other than our Nursery and Reception children, all the other children should now be confident when it comes to lining up in the school yard. Can I please ask parents to leave the children at the green gates and not stand in the line with them.



SATs Tests

Well done to all the children who have taken part in the SATs over the last couple of weeks. It was very clear to me that the children were trying their very best and we are all very proud of them!

Father's Day

Year 5 will be holding a Father's Day assembly on **Friday 14th June at 9.00am**. This is open to all family members, not just dads. After the assembly, there will be a chance to have a cup of coffee and look at the children's Big Class Book.

St Alban's Day

The children will be celebrating the feast of St Alban's with Mass in school at 9.15am on Thursday 20th June. This will be led by the children from Year 3. Everyone is welcome to join us.

Uniforms

Can I say a big thank you to all parents for the effort they make in following the school rules on uniform – see school policy on our school website. It makes so much difference when all the children are following the rules wearing the correct uniform and creates a good impression of our school when the children are out of school on visits. Can I please remind you that shoes or trainers should be black and long hair should be tied back.

Scooters, wellies and dressing- up clothes

Thank you to the parents who have donated any of the above. However, we would still like more. Therefore, if you have any dressing-up clothes, wellies or scooters that you are finished with would you please donate them to school.

New Uniforms

Uniform order forms are available from the school office. Order forms must be returned by **Wednesday 19th June** to guarantee delivery for September.

Outstanding trips and dinner monies

Can I thank all parents who pay trips and dinner monies on time. A reminder to other parents that all outstanding debts need to be paid by 28th June to prevent further action being taken.

Transport to afterschool events

The cost of transport for children to afterschool events is very expensive. Therefore, from September, if your child is chosen to represent school we will have to ask parents to make their own arrangements to get their child to and from the sports venue. This may include private arrangements made between parents to get children to the sporting venues. If parents can't make these arrangements, we will either have to select different children or withdraw the school from the competition.

Feast of St Anthony of Padua Celebrations

St Anthony of Padua & Francis Parish will be having a 'Geordie Supper Night' on Thursday 13th June at 7.30pm in St Anthony of Padua Community Centre. Prior to the event, celebration will begin with a Mass in Church at 6.30pm to celebrate the feast of St Anthony. Tickets cost £4.

*Have a fantastic Half term break everyone!
We return to school on **Monday 10th June**.*

