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Dear Parents / Carers,

Parents Evening

Thank you to everyone who came into school this week to meet with their child's class teacher and to look through their workbooks to see all the work that has been going on this term. We had an overwhelming response. Thank you to you all for your continued support of our school.

Well done to our Year 3/4 Football Team!

Last night, our Year 3/4 Football Team played at Gosforth Academy in the Newcastle Primary Schools FA Tournament for the Under 9s. We played three games in the group stages, beating both Ravenswood Primary and Newcastle City Boys School. We progressed to the semi-finals, beating Christchurch Primary 2-1 before meeting Royal Grammar school in the final. The boys showed great commitment and attitude and, due to a final score of 2-2, the trophy was shared between both schools. Many congratulations to everyone who took part and to their coaches, Mr Bonnar and Mr Cowen. It is wonderful to add another trophy to our ever-growing collection! Well done boys!

Last Friday night, our Year 5/6 Football Team played St. Oswald's Primary school in the Under 11 Catholic Schools Knockout Cup. After a battling first half, we gained momentum to eventually beat St. Oswald's 5-1 in a convincing manner. We are now in the quarter finals and we will play Our Lady and St Anne's next Friday afternoon. Well done to all of the team for progressing to this stage in the Cup. Good Luck for Friday - we are all behind you!

Red Nose Day

Next Friday, we are celebrating British Values at St. John Vianney school with a visit from the Mayor of Newcastle. With this mind, children can bring into school their red nose etc but they should wear full school uniform as normal. Anyone wishing to make a donation should send the money into school via their child's class teacher. All donations received will support Red Nose Day and CAFOD, who are supporting the International humanitarian appeal for Sudan and Somalia that has been reported recently in the media. Thank you in advance for your support.

School Gate

Can we please remind you that the school gate is locked at 8.55am prompt and any child arriving after this time will be marked as Late in the register.

Next week, our Lord Mayor will launch our new Attendance trophies at a special Assembly for our children. We will post photographs on our website - please keep a look out for these next Friday!

Parent Governor Vacancy

We sent out the arrangements for the appointment of our new Parent Governor earlier this week. Could we please ask that all application and nomination forms are returned to school by Thursday 13th April.

If anyone interested would like to come into school to find out more about the role of Parent Governor, you are more than welcome to make an appointment to see either Mr Duffy or Mrs Meldrum and they will happily talk to you about what the role of a Parent Governor entails.

Packed Lunches

Can we please ask for your help and support in ensuring that children who bring a Packed Lunch into school bring a HEALTHY packed lunch into school. This should not include chocolate bars, sweets or fizzy drinks.

Can we also ask that any grapes that are sent into school are cut into halves as all of the grapes that we provide must be cut into halves in line with guidelines published by Newcastle City Council.

Wool Needed!

We have a group of budding knitters in Years 4 and 5 who are knitting blankets for the children in Muhoroni as part of a lunchtime Knitting Club that is being run by Mrs Holliday, Mrs Bury and Mrs Meldrum this half-term. However, we are in need of chunky wool! If anyone has any spare balls of brightly coloured, chunky wool then we would be most grateful for it in school. Please send any donations into school via your child's class teacher. Many thanks in advance for any contributions.

With every good wish,
Mr Duffy, Mrs Meldrum and Mrs Thorpe
Headteacher, Deputy Headteacher, Assistant Headteacher

