



# SOUTHRIDGE FIRST SCHOOL



## Newsletter Summer 5: 6th July 2018



Dear Parents and Carers,

**Sports Day** - Thank you to everyone who came to watch the children participate in Sport's Day. We managed to hold all three events in glorious sunshine. We were also lucky to have help from our Year 4 Sports Leaders to support us. The children were fantastic on the day and were awarded certificates by their class teachers as well as collecting points for their Lighthouse.

**Year 1 storytelling event**—last week our Year 1 enjoyed a visit to the High School to listen to some stories written by their students.

**Year 4**— visited Beamish in glorious weather. They enjoyed a tour of the town, visited the bakers and sweet shop and enjoyed lunch around the bandstand. They also spent some time in the classroom and decided they would have hated to be at school in Victorian times!

**Year 2** had a fantastic day at Gibside. The weather was gorgeous and the children enjoyed den building and a myths and legends orienteering trail.

**Lego Expo**— a small group of our children went to The Sage to share their engineering ideas. Lego Education have teamed up with the Year of Engineering—a campaign to inspire and develop the engineers of the future. This certainly inspired our children and gave them the opportunity to meet engineers, exposing them to what it is to be an engineer in the 21st Century.

**Transition Days** - Year 4 thoroughly enjoyed their two days visiting middle school and getting to know a new building, school routines and staff. Meanwhile back at Southridge all our children 'moved up' for the day. This gave them all the opportunity to meet their new teachers before September.

**Whitley Bay Rotary Club** - On Monday 16h July Year 4 will host some very special guests from Whitley Bay Rotary Club. The Rotarians have generously donated a school dictionary for every Year 4 child as a leaving gift, which will be presented to each child. Some Rotarians will join us for assembly so that our Year 4 can thank them for this very kind gesture.



### 'Meet the Teacher' - a reminder

**Year 1** Wednesday 11th July 5pm

**Year 3** Tuesday 10th July 5pm

**Year 2** Thursday 12th July 5pm

**Year 4** Monday 9th July 5pm



**Friends of Southridge** - Our PTA have been fantastic this year and have organised some lovely events for the children. The Summer Fair next week is a big event and we are very grateful for all their hard work for this and their ongoing support to the school throughout the year. They have enabled us to purchase planters etc. for the school garden and Year 3 area. They have bought cookers and created a cooking space in the staff room for the children to use. They have also purchased some class sets of Ozobot robots for the children to develop their coding /programming skills in Computing lessons.



**Goodbye and Good Luck**—on Thursday 19th July we will be holding a special assembly for the children in Mrs Myer's class at 9am and Mrs Rosarios's class at 2pm (invitations in school bags). Coffee and cake will be served in the hall at 3pm if any other parents would like to pop in and say goodbye to them both.

9am—Assembly for Mrs Myer's - parents of children in Mrs Myer's class invited.

2pm—Assembly for Mrs Rosario—parents of children in Mrs Rosario's class and Mrs McIntosh's class invited.

3pm—Coffee and cake in the school hall

**Summer Fair**— If you are able to help please see Annabelle Jennings or leave your name at the school office.

**Reminder**—children may come in non -uniform that day in exchange for a donation to the chocolate tombola.

The weather forecast is set to remain sunny and dry for the next few weeks. We move towards the end of another busy school year and I hope you all have an enjoyable break this summer holiday and time together as families. On behalf of the staff and governors I would like to thank you all for your support this year. **School will open again on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September for children.**

**Diary Dates -**

**July**

- 10th Reception Visit to Woodhorn
- 12th Year 4 Leaver's Assembly—2pm
- 13th Summer Fair 3.30pm start
- 16th Year 4 Activity Week starts
- 17th Year 4 Leaver's Disco 5.30pm—7.00pm
- 19th Cake & Coffee in the school hall to say goodbye to Mrs Rosario and Mrs Myers 3pm
- 20th School Breaks Up for the summer holidays