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### **Edinburgh**

The children arrived back on Wednesday absolutely shattered but very happy! They have created some great memories and will have learnt, even if it was tricky, that they are able to cope without their family being there, for a short time anyway! The places visited sounded fascinating, the children had many amusing stories and I am sure they gained a lot from the experience. Having been on many residential over the years, I know how mentally and physically tiring they can be for staff too. A huge thank you to Miss Richardson, Dr Greenwell, Mrs Dupuy and Mr Foster for supervising the children over the course of the visit. These experiences would not go ahead otherwise. It is good to have all the children and staff back though as you were missed!

### **Reception Children's Assembly**

Next Friday is our Reception children's assembly. Parents/carers and relatives of these children are welcome to attend the assembly which will start around 9.05am.

The final class assembly of the year will be Miss Blackburn's class on Thursday 12th July at 9am.

### **Enrichment activities**

As well as striving for high academic achievement, I believe it is important to offer a broad and balanced curriculum and this year we have seen lots of learning outside of the classroom, which has huge benefits for children. Next week Miss Richardson's class will be pond dipping at The Hub and on 2nd July Dr Greenwell's class will go too.

### **Father's Day**

I am sure there will have been a great turnout for the Father's Day event in school and that attendees and the children enjoyed their lollies! We love to have children's families in school and the feedback we get from parents is really appreciated. Thank you to Miss Blackburn, Miss Lauder and all of our Teaching Assistants who organised lots of fun activities for the afternoon.

### **Transition to Teesdale School**

The transition process to Teesdale School for many of our Year 6s began this week with visits from key Teesdale staff to our school. On these occasions, the children can start to get to know new faces and ask any questions they may have. Later in the term, from Wednesday 11th July to Friday 13th July, the children who will be joining Teesdale, go for their transition days.

Children who are joining other secondary schools will be informed separately of their transition arrangements.

### **NSPCC Assembly**

As mentioned previously, the NSPCC have been in school today giving age appropriate messages to the children about privacy and what are acceptable and not acceptable behaviours around this. I am sure that the children found this information useful as we endeavour to help keep our children safe in everyday life.

### **FOMS**

The Bingo Night raised £247.27 which was a fantastic amount. The Friends and I agreed to make a £50 donation to Cancer Research as the bingo ladies do a lot of amazing work for this very worthwhile charity.

FOMS are planning a Summer Raffle. If anyone has any donations they would be able to give to us they would be greatly received. Thank you.

## Sports Day

Due to the field being cordoned off, we are going to have our Sports Day this year at Barnard Castle Cricket Club. We plan to start at 1.30pm on July 10<sup>th</sup> and we would love to see you there. We are very grateful to the Cricket Club and are looking forward to the afternoon.

## Year 4, 5 and 6 Summer Performance

As we approach the end of term, work in and around the school hall will accelerate. Just in case we are disrupted, we thought we should organise the Summer Performance out of school and have booked Glaxo Sports and Social Club. The first performance will be on Tuesday July 17<sup>th</sup>, starting at 1.30pm and the second performance will be on Wednesday July 18<sup>th</sup> with a 6pm start.

## 1940s weekend June 22<sup>nd</sup>- June 24<sup>th</sup>

Mr Blissett, one of our governors, helps to organise the 1940s weekend in town. This year there a number of events planned centring around the castle. I know some children joined Mrs Ridley and I last year and we went on the old service bus to the Bowes Museum. The bus is not running this year but I am happy to meet as a group and walk down to the castle if there is enough interest. The children dressed in 1940s clothing and many of them were evacuees. Please let me know by contacting the School Office.

## Uniform Orders

The date has passed to have new uniform sent to school. You can still order from the suppliers directly and it can be sent to your home in time for September.

To order for nursery follow this link <https://studentuniform.co.uk/mon074> and to order for Reception – Y6 follow this link <https://studentuniform.co.uk/mops072>

## Attendance for w.b. 11.6.18

Class	Present
Mrs Bartoli's Reception	87.8%
Miss Lauder's Class	98%
Miss Blackburn's Class	99.4%
Dr Greenwell's Class	97.6%
Miss Richardson's Class	97.4%
School Total	96.7%

## Dates for the diary

June 18 <sup>th</sup>	Y5/6 Pond dipping at The Hub
June 20 <sup>th</sup>	Adventurous activities at The Hub
June 21st 28th and July 5th	New Reception starter transition sessions
June 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Reception Class Assembly
June 25 <sup>th</sup>	Football tournament at Woodland Primary School
June 27 <sup>th</sup>	Poet in school
July 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Class 3 Pond dipping at The Hub
July 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Clarinetists to Teesdale
July 4 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 and 5 to Teesdale 9am -12 (details to follow)
July 5 <sup>th</sup>	Selected Y5/6 to Cricket at Barnard Castle Cricket Club
July 9 <sup>th</sup>	End of Year Reports sent out
July 10 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day 1.30pm at Barnard Castle Cricket Club
July 12 <sup>th</sup>	Miss Blackburn's Class Assembly
July 13 <sup>th</sup>	Nursery Sports Day (a.m)
July 13 <sup>th</sup>	Moving Up Day
July 17 <sup>th</sup>	Y4/5/6 Summer Performance 1.30-3pm Glaxo Sports and Social Club
July 18 <sup>th</sup>	Y4/5/6 Summer Performance 6pm-7.30pm Glaxo Sports and Social Club
July 20 <sup>th</sup>	Leavers Assembly 9:15 – 10:00am

## Punctuality

Please ensure that your child arrives at school no later than 8.55a.m. in order to make a prompt start for lessons. Remember Wake Up, Shake Up usually starts at 8.45a.m. 25 minutes of learning was lost to lateness this week.

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