



DEARHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 10th June 2022

This week

The first week back after half term and already a full one. There are dates added to the diary every day and this week has been no exception.

The majority of our Year 5 and 6 children are out enjoying a three day residential at Robin Wood Activity Centre in Alston. When I popped into Mrs Ivison's Year 5 class on Monday they were incredibly excited about the whole trip. I have no doubt we will have a lot of tired children when they get back. I'll share photos of their adventures next week.

Year 1 children have been doing their phonics checks this week. I know Mrs Creswell and the Year 1 team are super proud of the effort the children have put in. They are superstars one and all and I am sure the whole class will have a celebration when the screening is ended. My thanks go to Mrs Creswell and the Year 1 staff for all their hard work, you for supporting your children, and of course the children for all their brilliant effort. Well done.

Weekly attendance

Results for the week 23rd to 27th May

Nursery – 88.49%

Reception – 94.29%

Year 1- 93.79%

Year 2 – 82.76%

Year 3 – 90.97%

Year 4 – 89.39%

Year 5 Mrs Ivison – 81.5%

Year 5 Mr Blease – 97.65%

Year 6 – 98.57%

Well done everyone, we had lots of bugs in school this week!!

Half term attendance

Results for half term 19th April to 27th May

Nursery – 85.74%

Reception – 95.27%

Year 1- 90.39%

Year 2 – 91.79%

Year 3 – 93.89%

Year 4 – 93.67%

Year 5 Mrs Ivison – 90.09%

Year 5 Mr Blease – 97.58%

Year 6 – 97.5%

Parent Forum

I would like to set up a parent forum meeting where we meet and talk about any issues and how we can move the school forward. I have therefore planned our first forum for Tuesday 12th July at 4:15pm in the school sports hall. This is not for us to talk about individual children but to answer questions, share any developments moving forward and work together to make the school better. Everyone is welcome.

Green for Foodbank

On 24th June we will ask the children to come into school wearing something green and to make, if possible, a donation to the foodbank. Recently there has been a 25% increase in the use of foodbanks as people struggle with the increasing cost of living. Anything you could donate from the list below would be greatly appreciated.



Reg Charity No 1067541

Shopping List

- * Fruit Juice UHT (1ltr carton)
- * Tinned Tomatoes (400g)
- * Tinned Fruit (400g)
- * Tinned Carrots, Peas, or Sweetcorn (400g)
- * Tinned Hot Dogs (400g)
- * Tinned Meat Balls (400g)
- * Tinned Chicken in White Sauce (400g)
- * Tinned Tuna (approx. 150g)
- * Tinned Rice Pudding (400g)
- * Tinned Custard (400g)
- * Cereal (300g – 500g)
- * Pasta Sauces (Jars)
- * Dried Pasta (500g max.)
- * Dried Rice (500g max.)
- * Milk UHT (Full Fat or Semi-Skimmed)
- * Sponge Pudding (400g)
- * Biscuits (200g–400g pkt)
- * Tea
- * Coffee
- * Jam (not homemade)
- * Tinned Beans (400g)
- * Tinned Soups (400g)
- * Tinned Spaghetti, Macaroni Cheese or Ravioli (400g)
- * Instant Mash Potato (single pkt)

No Low Calorie Foods please.

Thank You for Supporting Us

Leavers Assembly

We will be holding our Year 6 leavers assembly on Tuesday 19th July in the school hall. Times will be confirmed but it will be after lunch.

Please could you send a first day of school/ baby photo of your child for us to scan for the assembly. The pictures will be returned to you.

Thank you in advance from Year 6.

Netherhall Uniforms

We have been asked to remind the parents of children going to Netherhall in September about uniforms.

You need to make an **appointment** at West Lakes Embroidery in Maryport to organise the children's uniform between the **4th and the 15th July**.

Their contact number is 01900 817799

Mr Johnson

You may have seen on our website or Facebook page the news about our Chief Executive Mr Jonathan Johnson.

I am delighted to say Mr Johnson was honoured with an OBE in the Queen's birthday honours list for services to education.

My congratulations go again to Mr Johnson for this recognition.

Website

Our website is up and running fully now and completely up to date. We add news and information regularly so please keep having a browse.

You can find the website at:

[Dearham School – West Lakes Multi Academy Trust](#)

Colour Run

Just a reminder our colour run for Hospice at Home takes place next Thursday after school on the field. Please come along if you can.

Courtesy Cup

No awards assembly this week so no courtesy cup or head teacher's awards

Dates for your diary

The same list with a few extras highlighted

- 15th June – Y5/6 athletics Netherhall details to be confirmed
- 16th June – Year 5/6 Taste of the Seas art workshop in school
- 16th June – Colour Run at 15:15 on the field
- 20th June – Y6 Cricket at school
- 21st June – Village Run
- 22nd June – Y2 to 6 cross country Netherhall details to be confirmed
- 24th June – Green for foodbank day
- 24th June – Reserve village run
- 27th June – Y6 cricket at school
- 28th June – Cockermonth transition day 1
- 29th June – Cockermonth transition day 2
- 29th June – Year 3 trip to the Roman Museum at Maryport
- 1st July – KS2 Commonwealth sports day at Carlisle
- 5th July – Netherhall transition day
- 5th July – move up day. Children meet their new teachers
- 5th July – Year 6 SATs results received
- 6th July – Taste of the Seas second workshop in school
- 6th July – Nursery open afternoon for new starters
- 7th July – Summer showcase at the Carnegie
- 11th July – Reception trip to Clip and Climb
- 12th July – Parent forum
- 13th July – Y6 cricket competition at Cockermonth details to be confirmed
- 13th July – Y5 Brockhole visit
- 13th July – Nursery Teddy Bears Picnic
- 14th July – reports to parents
- 15th July – summer picnic lunch
- 19th July – YEAR 6 LEAVERS ASSEMBLY
- 20th July – nursery last day
- 21st July – school closes for the summer

You may remember a month or so ago a parental questionnaire was sent out to find out what you thought about school, what worked and what need changed. Below is a summary plan of the responses to the findings.

YOU SAID, SO WE WILL....

YOU SAID	WE WILL / DO
14% of you said we didn't make you aware of what your child was learning during the year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Send out our curriculum intent statement and continue to share it on the website. • Teachers will share the topics the children will be studying and planning will be on the website • .Links to any sites or documents that can support the children's learning will be shared with parents. • Parent meetings are planned for twice a year where teachers will share with parents the work their child is doing in more detail and the progress they are making.
7.1% of you did not feel concerns were dealt with properly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage parents to raise their concerns straight away with the class teacher either via phone call or email. • If still not satisfied then the concern to be raised with the Head who will respond as soon as possible. • Meetings face to face will be arranged to resolve any issues which may remain • School has an open door policy so parents can contact us freely when they need to.
11.4% either disagreed or did not know that we make sure the children are well behaved.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We expect the highest standards of work and behaviour from all our children.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classroom rules and school rules are shared with all children and serious incidents put in the behaviour book • Serious behaviour incidents are reported to the Head and parents informed • Share our behaviour expectations with parents at the beginning of the academic year and on the website so they can be referred to if required.
<p>15.7% agreed that their child had been bullied and that the bullying had been dealt with quickly 7.2% strongly agreed or disagreed</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • take any form of bullying very seriously • Deal with any bullying quickly, listening to the 'victim' and the 'bully' and deciding on the most suitable way to deal with the situation. • Contact the parents of those involved. • A nurture group will be developed to support those children who need it.
<p>24.7% either disagreed or didn't know if the school has high expectations for their child</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teachers set demanding lessons and have exceptionally high expectations for the children. • We will review the nature of our challenges and intensify where necessary. • We will share expectations at the beginning of the year and at regular intervals via the newsletter and website. • We continue to have global links with other schools demonstrating the highest expectations for our children both in terms of academic and personal standards

<p>18.5% disagreed their child could take part in clubs and activities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Covid restrictions have limited the opportunity for after school clubs, trips and sporting competitions.• We have trips and residential booked for this academic year and for the future• After school clubs run but not every night and due to limited capacity numbers are restricted• We are attending the Big Sing and are arranging inter-school activities and competitions.• We will continue to develop the number of clubs in the new academic year.
---	---

