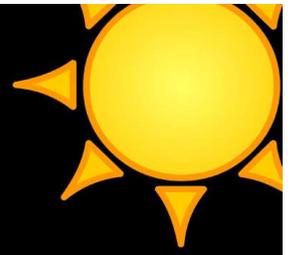




# July Newsletter



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Dear Parents/Carers,  
*As we come to the end of another action-packed year at Ouston Primary, I would like to share news about some of our recent events and a few dates for the new academic year.*

*Have a lovely summer everyone!*

*Mrs Lavelle*

## DEPUTY HEAD

I am delighted to inform you that, following interviews in school this week, Mrs Wise will be our Deputy Headteacher from September 2019. Along with the rest of our excellent staff team, Mrs Wise and I will work together to ensure that Ouston Primary School provides the very best education for all of our pupils and retains its positive, caring ethos and community spirit.

## YEAR 6 CELEBRATION

What a wonderful evening we had this week at our annual Celebration Evening for Year 6. We enjoyed a Rock and Pop performance- their singing and dance moves were superb. We were thoroughly entertained, particularly by their last song 'The Final Count Down!' We also gave out a number of Year 6 awards: the Spirit of Ouston Award went to Adam F; Deanna and Matthew G received Sporting Excellence Awards and Ben and Isla both achieved Academic Excellence Awards, having secured the highest results across all subjects in the KS2 SATs.

We said goodbye to Year 6 in a special Leavers Assembly this morning during which they were each presented with a novel they have read during their time in Year 6, which were very kindly provided by The Friends of Ouston Primary. We are very proud of all of Year 6 and wish them all the very best as they move to secondary schools in September, where we know they will continue to demonstrate the spirit of Ouston Primary.

## DIARY DATES

Wednesday      Return to School  
4<sup>th</sup> September

Monday            Welcome to the New School Year  
23<sup>rd</sup> September   Meeting: 5.30pm.

(This gives parents/carers the opportunity to meet their child's new class teacher and hear useful information about the year ahead)

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# YEAR 6 VISIT TO WEARDALE

Year 6 had a fantastic five-day residential to the Weardale Adventure Centre. They enjoyed a wide range of activities including raft building, river walking, mine exploration, rock climbing, canoeing and high ropes. Their behaviour and attitude were superb throughout and they came back with lots of stories to tell and some lovely memories.

## SPORTS DAYS



Two excellent Sports Days were held earlier this term. As usual our children showed great competitive spirit but also supported each other and demonstrated a good sporting attitude. It was lovely to have Nursery children join us for the first time too! At Nursery, Reception and KS1 Sports Day, Yellow Team were overall winners and in KS2 it was the Green Team. It was lovely to see so many parent/families enjoying this event and cheering the children on and well done to those brave parents who were excellent sports and took part in our Parent Races!

# SUMMER FAIR

Our Summer Fair last Friday raised an amazing £1029! Despite the occasional rain shower, everyone enjoyed the wide range of stalls, activities and food that that were on offer. A very big thank you to our FOOP members for their fantastic organisational skills- they are all amazing and these events just couldn't take place



without them. Thanks to school staff for all of their hard work with stalls too. We also very much appreciate the generosity of parents/carers when donating tombola items.

## SCHOOL VISITS



Years 1 and 2 were pirates for a day during their visit to HMS Trincomalee at Hartlepool. They had a fantastic Day!

Year 6 visited Inflate a Space as a post SATs treat this week and the Red team, who had the most star awards this year (for the second year running!) enjoyed a trip to the Cinema yesterday to watch 'Toy Story 4'!

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# VISITORS

As part of the Durham Brass Festival, we have ended the Summer Term (literally) with a bang with a fantastic performance in school this afternoon by the brass band 'Loud Noises'



All classes enjoyed a workshop with 'Judo Dan' from Destination Judo and tried out their new judo skills on mats in the hall! As a result, a number of children have signed up to Judo Classes run by Dan on Saturdays in

Chester le Street!



The whole school were involved in a 'Mission to Mars' project with Captain Chemistry in which pupils designed and launched their own rockets on the school playing field!

# GO RUN FOR FUN

# SCIENCE WEEK



We had brilliant Science Week this half term! Three scientists visited school to talk to the children about their work.

One of these, Mr Marshall (an Ouston Primary parent!) delivered Science investigation workshops to Year 1 and Year 5 and all classes carried out a range of Science investigations in their classes.



This week, the whole school took part in Go Run For Fun: an international campaign inspiring children to be active through short distance running events. Our children were some of more than 315,000 runners who took part. Well done everyone!



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