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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are all keeping well. As we head towards the end of term I have some information and updates to share with you before our final newsletter at the end of term.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at our end of term events. In the meantime, please get in touch if you have any questions or require further details about any of the information below.

Best Wishes,

Mrs Lavelle, Headteacher

SPORTS DAYS



It was fantastic to have families joining us again for Sports Days! The weather was very kind to us and as usual our children impressed us with their energy, effort, enthusiasm and perseverance in a wide range of events. They were also excellent in cheering on and supporting their team mates throughout the afternoon.

Congratulations to the Yellow Team who were overall winners of the KS2 Sports Day and to the Red Team who were overall winners of the EYFS/KS1 Sports Team.



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PE UNIFORM

Just a reminder about PE Uniform and expectations in this area. We do want to continue with children coming into school in PE uniform as this saves a great deal of time and means more time for PE lessons. However, it is really important that children do not come to school in an array of colours/sports clothing and stick to the PE uniform which is very straight forward – black shorts, joggers or leggings and a white top plus school jumper or a black jacket/hoody/cardigan. Any white t-shirt will do but we do have a white t-shirt with the school logo available to purchase via the school office. We are also looking into having a black hoody especially for PE days with the school logo (priced £10.85 up to £12.15 depending on sizes). Please contact the school office to enquire about prices if you are interested in ordering one of these for September.

CAREERS & ENTERPRISE WEEK

Our annual Careers and Enterprise week is next week. During this, classes look at a number of different careers and life stories and think about what kind of job they might want to do when they are older. They also work on some team building and problem solving activities.

We have a visitor who will be coming to talk to KS2 about their career and their journey to get to the current position they hold. We would like to have a visitor to talk to Reception and Years 1 and 2 also – if any parent/carer has a career in Science or Medicine particularly and would be happy to come in and talk to the children about this job, we would very much appreciate this. If you think you might be interested in this, please contact your child's Class Teacher via Class Dojo or the School Office. We can be flexible and fit around dates/times that work for you.

SUMMER FAMILY PICNIC

Just a reminder about our family picnic on **Friday 15th July**. Parents/Carers/Grandparents who are able to make this should collect their child from the usual places at **2pm**. Weather permitting, families can then take their picnic blankets, chairs etc to the grassed area next to the playgrounds and have a mini-picnic. Please bring soft drinks only along with your picnic items. There will be an ice-cream van on the yard and we are hoping to book one a warm drinks van also.

We will have a Tombola and a raffle on the day to raise money for school funds, the majority of which will go towards purchasing a novel for each Year 6 pupil as their leaving gift, as we do each year. With this in mind, we would like to run a **non-uniform day on Monday 11th July** and wherever possible, ask that parents/carers send in a small Tombola or raffle item with their child. Any heavy or glass items should be handed in directly to the school office.

Please don't worry if you are unable to attend the picnic. You may still send in a drink and one or two snacks and your child's class teacher will take them out to have a picnic, along with children from other classes. I'm sure it will be a lovely event for all



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HEADLICE

Just another of our regular reminders about checking your child's hair for head-lice. This is a common problem, particularly in school children aged 4-11 and if you would like further information about detection and treatment the NHS website (www.nhs.uk/Conditions/Head-lice) gives very clear information. Alternatively, if you would like to speak to the School Nurse, please ask at the School Office for her number. A number of easy to use treatments are available at your local chemist and they are another source of advice.

FORTHCOMING DATES

8th July: Reception Trip to Souter Lighthouse

11th July: Non Uniform Day

12th July: Brass Band performance for whole school (part of Durham Brass Festival)

15th July: Family Picnic at 2pm

18th July: Year 6 Bowling Trip am

18th July: Reports to Parents/Carers

18th July: Reception Teddy Bears' Picnic pm

18th July: Year 5 and 6 Disco 4.45-6pm

19th July: Team Winners Non-Uniform Day and Treats afternoon (Winner to be announced on Friday 15th July).

19th July: Year 3 Trip (morning) *Details to follow in a further letter*

20th July: Year 6 Leavers Assembly at 2.30pm

20th July: End of Term

Tuesday 6th September – Back to school

New Reception parents- we will send details of the arrangements for the first week in the next couple of weeks



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