



## 6<sup>th</sup> May 2016 Newsletter

### Sports Day

CHANGE OF DATE: This will now be held on **WEDNESDAY 29<sup>th</sup> JUNE at 1.30-3pm**. This is because Class 2 will be out at the Top Links Festival at the Wentworth Leisure Centre on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June. Details to follow.

### Wild About Adventure

Apologies for having to cancel the after school club on Tuesday. Thanks for being so understanding. The full day activities will be on **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May** and **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June**. Children should come to school dressed to be outside for most of the day, in old clothes and trainers or other similar footwear. Please send a waterproof jacket and/or apply suncream to your child on these days depending on the weather forecast.

### Year 1 phonics testing

Children in Year 1 will have the annual phonics test on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> or Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June. Mrs Blythe has been working hard to prepare the children for this phonics test, so there is nothing for them to worry about.

### Year 2 SATS

Year 2 children will be sitting reading, Maths and SPAG tests in the week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> May. Mrs Long has prepared the children extremely well so there is nothing for your child to worry about. Please try to ensure that your child gets a good night's sleep this week. We are deliberately not doing tests on the Wednesday as we know some children have a later night on Tuesday at Beavers.

### Morning routines

Please remember to arrive promptly to school in the morning. The bell is rung for school to start at 8.50am. Parents should leave their children in the playground where they will be escorted into school by Mrs Phillips. Thank you.

### PE this term

We will be doing PE outside in the Summer term, so please make sure your child has sandshoes with velcro fastening or trainers that he/she can fasten independently. Please ensure that your child comes to school in full school uniform. Thank you.

### Water bottles and sun cream

Please remember to send your child to school with a water bottle each day. It is really important that your child stays hydrated in the warmer weather. Sun cream should be applied to your child before he/she comes to school and this will provide protection for the day.

### Reading Challenge

To encourage children to read more regularly out of school, we will be hosting a mini reading challenge over the May half term holiday. Any child who reads 10 times over the holiday will get a certificate and a small reward. The recommended time for a child to read or listen to stories each day is 15 minutes for children in EYFS, 20 minutes for KS1 children and 25-30 minutes for children in lower KS2. This can be school reading books, magazines, comics, newspapers or any other form of reading.

## Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Event

The Queen is 90! This village event will be held on Saturday 11th June 2016 from 1pm- 4.30pm at the school, the village hall and St Peter's Church. There will be afternoon teas and other refreshments , food trade stalls, plant stall, Humshaugh First School and Playing Field Trust stalls and lots of fun and games to entertain including a dog show! More details to follow, but please put this date in your diary.



### Other dates for your diary.

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May:** Wild About Adventure Day

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May:** Break up for May half term.

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June:** Return to school for second half of Summer term.

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June:** Wild About Adventure Day

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June:** Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday, 1-4.30pm at Humshaugh First School, the Village Hall and St Peter's Church.

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June:** Leavers' Service at Newcastle Cathedral for pupils in Year 4.

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June:** Sports Day at 1.30-3pm. **Please note, this date has changed.**

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June:** Hexham Partnership Sports Festival for Class 2 pupils at Wentworth Leisure Centre.

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July:** 'Pirates v Mermaids' Dress Rehearsal

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July:** 'Pirates v Mermaids' at 9.15am and 6.30pm

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup>-Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July:** Broomley Grange for Y4 pupils

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July:** Leavers Service at 9.15am for Y4 pupils and break up for Summer holidays!

Kind regards,

Cath Newson (Headteacher)

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O Almighty God,  
whose blessed Son our Saviour Jesus Christ  
ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things:  
Mercifully give us faith to perceive that,  
according to his promise,  
he abides with his Church on earth,  
even to the end of the ages;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, in glory everlasting.

Amen.