



Friday 19th July 2024 (6 pages)

IT'S THE FINAL COUNTDOWN!!!

As always with this time of year, the staff and I cannot believe another year is over and another year we have to say goodbye to a very special group of Year 4 pupils. We have had an amazing year packed full of learning opportunities both in and out of the classroom. The pupils have progressed well both academically and socially. Parents have supported all our events and ensured that their children are ready and equipped to learn. Our governors and volunteers have surpassed themselves with their dedication and commitment. We got through OFSTED (and survived!) and now we have a lovely summer holiday to look forward to.

The staff and I would like to thank you for your kind and generous gifts, cards and words and we wish you a very happy holiday! We look forward to seeing you on **Wednesday 4th September!**

LEAVER SERVICE

We bid a fond farewell to our dynamic Year 4s today at the Leaver Service. The children sang, shared memories and poems and received personal achievement awards, bibles and gifts. Good Luck Year 4s, we will miss you!



Y4 WATER FIGHT

This year's water fight has to go down as the best ever in history! The Year 4 children thought that it was just Mrs Blythe and I but little did they know that their parents and I had been plotting for some time to ambush them on the field! It was the best kept secret and the children were utterly amazed when a large group of parents ran out from behind the shed yelling!! Thank you so much to those parents involved, I definitely think it was Adults 1 Children 0!

FUN DAY

The children had a fun packed day yesterday. They enjoyed learning circus skills with Marty, had a superb face paint from Marian and a delicious ice cream from Tyne Valley Ices. Thank you to the Friends for their generous contribution towards the cost of the day and to all the parents and carers who have helped fundraise over the last year.





SHAKESPEARE CERTAINLY DOES ROCK!

The children in Years 1 to 4 wowed two packed audiences on Tuesday with their performance of Shakespeare Rocks! It was fantastic to see them so involved and performing with energy and enthusiasm.



We have received some lovely feedback from parents/carers and friends, many whom thought it was the best show yet! We really appreciate your kind comments and support for the children. Performing Arts develop so many important key skills that equip children to be confident and motivated as they get older especially when it comes to speaking to people in interview or presentation situations.

Here are some of your comments:

'Brilliant! Really good! ALL the children were so committed and obviously enjoying themselves thoroughly'

'This was the BEST! Some fabulous characters!!!!'

'This morning was absolutely FABULOUS. Congratulations to everyone - what a show!'

'The play was absolutely fantastic.'

'Thank you for once again putting on such an awesome performance. The kids were brilliant and the work you must have put into it is amazing.'

'Just a quick email to congratulate you on an absolutely FANTASTIC show.'

'It was a complete joy to watch and I cried many times as it was just so wonderful to see the kids having such a blast and doing so well.'

'Numerous times I watched them belting their little hearts out and staring intently at you. Well done for the hard work'

'We just wanted to send a little message to say how excellent we thought the show was yesterday. My heart was absolutely bursting. We were singing along in the audience and are still singing this morning.'

'The production yesterday was just amazing; all the children were just fantastic.'

'The show was the best ever.'



CELEBRATING EXTRA CURRICULAR PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS

Very well done to Jessie who completed the 5K Race for Life Muddy Run! She had to contend with obstacles, inflatables, assault courses, rain and a lot of mud!

She raced with her brother Arthur and together they raised an amazing £800 for Cancer Research UK.



ELVIS AND TUFFY THE READING BEARS

Tuffy really enjoyed his weekend with Olivia.



THE FRIENDS

The Friends will have a Tuck Shop today at home time. Ice pops are 50p and sweets are £1.00. Please bring some cash if you can.



SWIMMING-SEPTEMBER 2024

From September, we are planning to take children in **Years 1 to 4** swimming for the whole of the next academic year. Children will travel by coach to the Wentworth Leisure Centre every Wednesday. After an early lunch, they will leave school at 12.15pm and return by 1.45pm. Google consent forms will be sent out at the beginning of the new academic year.

Children will need a swimming costume or trunks, goggles, a towel and a bag.

To ensure your child is 'ready' for swimming lessons, please encourage them to dry themselves and practise dressing and undressing over the summer holidays.

DIARY DATES

New Academic Year

Monday 2nd September: Teacher Day

Tuesday 3rd September: Teacher Day

Wednesday 4th September: Autumn 1 starts-Breakfast Club starts

ALL CLUBS AND SWIMMING START ON WEEK 2 - W/C MONDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER



THE
READING
AGENCY

Summer Reading Challenge



**Marvellous
Makers**

Hexham Library Making your summer marvellous

Sat 6 July
10am-4pm

Sign-Up & Swap Craft swap, activity sessions, skill sharing and reading challenge sign-up. Drop-in anytime **FREE**

Mon 22 July
10.30 - 11.30am

LEGO@ The Library Tinker with tech this summer at one of our programmable LEGO workshops. Aged 6+ **FREE** - booking essential

Fri 2 August
10.30am

Pinocchio's Puppeteers Bring imaginary friends to life and watch them have their moment in the spotlight on our Marvellous Makers Main stage. **FREE**

Thu 8 August
2-3pm

Fun Little Foodies No-bake cookery session for kids aged 3-12. **£5 per child - booking essential**

Fri 16 August
2pm

Animal Origami Come and learn a new skill **FREE**

Thu 22 August
2-3pm

Mrs BArts Marvellous Modelling Sculpt your own woodland animal working with tin foil & polymer clay **£5 per child - booking essential**

Fri 30 August
2pm

Stories on the Sele Join us for stories in the sun - meet at the library **FREE**

Look out for our prize draws and treasure hunts - all happening at your local library this summer.



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