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Newsletter 6

7th June 2021

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome back to summer term – a term we have all looked forward to with the hope of some form of normality being restored. The implications of the pandemic have been incredibly challenging in so many different ways over the past 15 months and we are incredibly grateful to you all for the support and encouragement you have extended towards everyone in school during this time.

In school, we have a very busy half term planned with many exciting events taking place over the next 6 weeks (see attached calendar). We are very much looking forward to seeing the children participating in, and enjoying these events with their peers. At present, school must continue to follow guidance which looks likely to remain in place until at least the autumn term. The latest situation surrounding the Indian variant and the increase in cases across North Tyneside is a reminder that we all need to remain vigilant and cautious as we move forwards together.

Covid-19 - PCR and Lateral Flow testing

If your child or anyone in your household has any of the symptoms of Covid-19, you and your household should immediately self-isolate and arrange for a PCR test to be carried out. You should not use a lateral flow test (LFD test) if you have symptoms – these are to only be used for asymptomatic testing. You and the people you live with must self-isolate until a negative result has been received (please also send a copy of this confirmation to admin@guidepostringway.northumberland.sch.uk). Until we are told otherwise, this is the guidance school must follow and with increases of new variants in neighbouring counties, it is extremely important we continue to follow advice and guidance to keep our school community safe.

Mrs L Robson

Information

School Trips

We are pleased to be able to book school trips again and each class have a trip arranged for this half term. You should have received details of these through ParentPay. Risk assessments have been compiled keeping within Covid guidelines. We have also liaised carefully with each venue to ensure we understand the Covid procedures in place on arrival.

Sports Day and Sponsor event

In the week commencing 28th June 2021, your child will be taking part in their annual sports day events. We will also be carrying out a number of sponsored activities in order to raise money for school resources. The sponsored events will take place within their year group bubbles (each teacher will send out further information closer to the date).

We unfortunately cannot accommodate spectators throughout the events, however photographs/videos will be uploaded onto individual class dojo pages. More details to follow.

<u>Weather</u>

As the weather starts getting warmer, we will be outside more than usual, please ensure your child comes to school each day with a sun hat, filled water bottle and sun cream applied before school. Children can bring sun lotion to reapply at lunch time but must be able to do this themselves. For younger children, a spray bottle may be more suitable - staff will help children spray it onto their skin, but children must be able to rub it in themselves.

Summer Raffle

Following the success of our Christmas raffle, we will be holding a summer raffle in place of our summer fayre again this year. On Friday 18^{th} June, children are invited to come into school in non-uniform for a donation towards our raffle. This could be toiletries, sweets, alcohol, vouchers or toys and games. We will put together some hampers with these donations which will then be raffled off and the raffle will be drawn on Friday 2^{nd} July. Tickets can be purchased via ParentPay – we will let you know when these become available to buy.

Parent evenings and reports

Parents will receive their child's annual report on Friday 2^{nd} July. Our Parent phone calls (in place of parent's evening) will take place in the week beginning 5^{th} July. These calls are for any issues arising from your child's report you may wish to discuss. Timeslots can be booked online from Monday 28^{th} June. You will receive a text message when the system becomes live for bookings.

Meet Your New Teacher Morning

Children will have the opportunity to meet their new teacher and visit their new class on Tuesday 13th July. Your child's report will contain information about who their new teacher next year will be.

School Dinners

ParentPay is now used to order and pay for school dinners. Please remember to order your child's dinners before Thursday for the following week (text message will be sent each week to remind you).

School Calendar

Monday 7 th June	School re-opens to pupils
Thursday 10 th June	Year 3 Visit to Warkworth
Friday 11 th June	Non-uniform for house winners
Tuesday 15 th June	Year 4 trip to Washington Wetlands.
Friday 18 th June	Non-uniform day for a donation towards
	our summer raffle
Friday 18 th June and Saturday 19 th June	Y6 Camping Residential
Tuesday 22 nd June	Year 5 visit to Alnwick gardens.
Thursday 24 th June	Year 2 Visit to Gibside
Friday 25 th June	Parties – June birthdays
Friday 25 th June	Year 1 trip to Whitehouse Farm
Monday 28 th June	Sports and Sponsor events week
Tuesday 29 th June	Reception trip to Whitehouse Farm
Thursday 1 st July	Rec/KS1 sports morning (children and staff
	only)
Thursday 1st July	KS2 sports afternoon (children and staff
	only)
Friday 2 nd July	Reports sent home/ summer raffle drawn
WB 5 th July	Parent evening phone calls – dates to be
	confirmed.
Thursday 8 th July	Year 6 Transfer day to secondary school
Friday 9 th July	Year 6 leaver's party
Monday 12 th July	Year 6 leaver's assembly – more details to
	follow
Tuesday 13 th July	Meet your new teacher morning
Wednesday 14 th July	House winner's celebration
Thursday 15 th July	Parties – July and August birthdays
Friday 16 th July	Break up for summer holidays at 2pm
Tuesday 7 th September	School re-opens to pupils