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'Developing the whole child'

Newsletter Friday 3rd May 2019 Our Christian value this half term is 'Creation'

Welcome back to the Summer Term We are looking forward to all our summer term activities. Summer sports and clubs have started and the children are enjoying our beautiful school grounds. Classes 1 and 2 have planted potatoes and Class 2 are cultivating their tomatoes.



Summer Sports Everyone has been enjoying our summer sports in lessons, at playtimes and in clubs. Cricket, tennis and rounders are all very popular. Our Sports Premium Funding is supporting a focus on cricket at playtimes, in lessons and clubs; we have purchased new rounders equipment

and Classes 1 and 2 will be further upskilling their football. Thank you to our own school staff who are running cricket and rounders clubs this term.

Swimming All children from Year 1 upwards have made a good start with their swimming lessons at Catterick this week. Class 3 will continue to swim on Tuesday and Year 1/2 and Class 4 on Thursday.



Year 5 Bikeability Cycling Training—starting for Group 1 on Tuesday 7th May Once again all our Year 5 children have an opportunity to complete this training with qualified instructors. All Year 5 children have received information and forms to complete. Group 1 children will begin their cycling on Tuesday 7th May and need their bikes and helmets in school. They must also have their completed consent forms.

Clubs this half term - clubs started back this week and will run for the 4 weeks of this half term. The last SATs Club will be Thursday 9th May.

Assessment and National Statutory Tests

Year 2 complete statutory assessments during May. As a school we were selected to trial a Y2 Maths test this week. This informs the future design of assessments and tests nationally and does not provide feedback on individual children's performance. Our teachers and Y2 children did a great job helping to trial these tests.

Year 6 complete their SAT tests in the week beginning Monday 13th May.

Year 1 complete their Phonic screen check in the week of Monday 10th June.

Year 4 will trial National Times Tables tests in June.

Your class teacher regularly shares information on what you can do to help your child with their learning. **Reading, learning times tables and completing all homework tasks carefully remain top of the list.** If you have any queries at all please do speak to your child's teacher.

Class Curriculum Letters and Diary Dates for the Summer Term A full list of key diary dates for the Summer Term have been sent home today and are on the website. Each class teacher has sent a letter outlining key routines and topics for the term.

The whole school will focus on different aspects of 'The Seaside' in their Summer Term Topic. Classes 1 and 2 will visit the Blue Reef Aquarium at Tynemouth. Class 3 will visit the lifeboat station and Whitby Abbey; Class 4 will explore the geology of the Whitby coastline and the life of Captain Cook at the Whitby Museum.

Class 4 Arts Project On Friday 17th May Class 4 will work with an artist for the day to create a mural inspired by the River Swale and the music of Smetana: Vltava, The Moldau

Whole Class Violin and Cello Lessons in Class 3

All our Year 3/4 children learn to play either the violin or cello in weekly music lessons with Mrs Jameson. You will have an opportunity to hear them perform at our Summer Music Concert in school on Thursday 11th July at 6pm. This will continue in September. After Year 4 children who wish to continue their cello or violin lessons will need to register for small group lessons with Mrs Jameson. There is usually a cost for this.

Individual and small group instrumental lessons in school We have availability for violin, cello and flute lessons from September. There is already a waiting list for piano. Children receive lessons from qualified teachers and pay for a block of 10 lessons per term. Please speak to Mrs Dobson or Mrs Newton if you are interested.

Reception Sight Tests—A message from the Healthy Child Team

Sight tests for reception children were carried out on 1 May 2019. If you do not hear from the Healthy Child Team within 2 weeks, please assume that your child has passed the assessment.

If your child was absent on this day, they will be checked at a later date, and before the end of the school year.

We recommend that your child has annual eye checks going forward. Please register them with your local optician. Eye checks are free of charge up to the age of 16 years.

*Regards
Healthy Child Team*

Tennis Coaching at Bedale Tennis Club Tennis is one of our favourite school sports and both our KS2 teams have qualified for the area final next week. Coaching is available at Bedale Tennis Club on Wednesday 4-5pm £3 per session.

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Please don't hesitate to contact if you have any queries about school.

Yours sincerely, Nicola Dobson