



### Statutory assessments:

#### Key stage 2 sats

Key stage 2 sats start on the week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> May. The children have worked so hard in preparing for the tests and we are so proud of their hard work and efforts. We strongly believe in the children being the best they can be and achieving their own personal best for the examinations. Please see the test timetable below:

Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Grammar and Punctuation: 45 minutes	Spelling: 20 minutes
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Reading: 60 Minutes	
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Arithmetic: 30 minutes	Maths Reasoning Paper 1: 40 minutes
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Maths Reasoning Paper 2: 40 minutes	
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	No tests	

**Year 6 can access Breakfast Club from 8:30 for free in the week of SATs. We have always found it to be a nice calm start to the school day.**

#### Daisy Chain Coffee Morning

I have recently made connections with the charity Daisy Chain who support autistic and neurodivergent children, young people and families. I am delighted to say they are coming to our school to run a coffee morning from 9:30 – 11:30 on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June. If you think your child has sensory differences, if they have autism, ADHD or you suspect that they have, you are more than welcome to come along and meet with other parents who may be going through the same thing. The coffee morning will be an opportunity for Daisy Chain to tell parents about their services and offer advice, support and guidance. Daisy Chain will then return from 9:30 on 20<sup>th</sup> June for a learning workshop which will introduce sensory differences, explore how they may impact on children and offer strategies to support. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to get in touch.

#### Mental Health Awareness Week

Next week marks Mental Health Awareness week. Due to it being a very busy week in school, we will discuss this topic in assembly and in classes but we wish to have a well-being afternoon on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May, where all children come together to talk about positive steps to take for healthy mental health.

#### Colour run

On the afternoon of Friday June 7<sup>th</sup>, we have invited GoWell into school to deliver a Colour Run for our children. This will involve the children running around our school field, through powder paint clouds and getting very messy! Children will need a plain t-shirt (for the full colour effect!) and old joggers or shorts. If you have any old white t-shirts that you could donate, we would be very grateful.

We are inviting parents and families along to the event, which starts at 1pm. Parents are invited to bring picnic blankets and camping chairs along so you can sit and spectate from the side. Next week, we will send home a sponsor form. You do not have to gain sponsors to take part but if you would like to, we will be voting next week for which local charities we wish to support.

We totally understand that getting messy isn't for everyone, so this is not compulsory. If any children do not want to take part in the run, please let us know. They can still get involved in the afternoon's festivities and watch the event.

#### Beach Trip 2024

This year, our beach trip is changing venue! We are going to Seaham! This will take place on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July. From 10am – 12pm all of the children will take part in a rock pooling workshop and then will complete other activities with their classes on the afternoon. To get the most out of this trip, we have arranged for the coach to pick us up at 4pm. We will therefore be back at school for approximately 5pm depending on traffic. Further details about collection arrangements will be shared nearer the time.

## Accessing the school premises

Breakfast club starts at 8:00am and our After School Club finishes at 5:15pm. Please can I politely ask that all children and parents walk through the school entrance gate at all times of the day when coming to school. We sometimes have deliveries and staff accessing the car park at different times so for everyone's safety please use the path and entrance gate rather than cutting through the car park. Thank you for your cooperation to keep everyone safe.

## PE Days

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Class 2	Forest school class 1 and 2.  Please wear old clothes/PE kit and footwear appropriate for outdoors  Class 4	Class 1		Class 3 with rugby coach  Class 3 swimming  Class 4 With rugby coach

## Diary Dates

Please see below a list of dates for your diary:

Date	Event
24 <sup>th</sup> May	Well-being afternoon in school to celebrate mental health awareness
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Colour Run 1pm start – school field
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Daisy Chain Coffee Morning
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Daisy Chain workshop
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Beach Trip to Seaham
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July *Please note this is a date change	ByersFest – outdoor disco in the style of a summer festival
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Class 4 Residential visit to Newby Wiske
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Year 6 Leaver's show 9:10 start

Thank you for reading our newsletter. Please get in touch if I can help you in any way.

Kind regards,

*C.E.Dodds*

Headteacher