

St Aidan's Newsletter



JUNE 2018

Staffing News

After 27 years of dedicated care-taking service within Northumberland schools, Mr Johnson has decided to take his much deserved retirement. Mr Johnson has been an absolute superstar and will be very much missed. We wish him all the best for a very happy retirement!

SAFEGUARDING ISSUES

1. It has come to our attention that some parent/carers are allowing their younger children to come into the school grounds independently in the mornings. We strongly recommend that parent/carers accompany their children onto the school grounds and carefully supervise them, ensuring that they are safely in their class line when staff assume responsibility for them at 8.50am. Pupils in Year 5 and Year 6 are permitted to come into school independently providing parent/carers have completed the relevant authorisation form. Sunshine Club is available for a nominal charge every morning for those parent/carers who cannot wait and supervise their own children until 8.50am.
2. The car park in front of the school must only be used by authorised vehicles. It must also not be used as a pedestrian access. Access to the Nursery should only be via the pedestrian access. We are very concerned that parent/carers are putting their children and themselves at huge risk by walking through the car park.

School Arrivals

Please do everything you can to ensure that your child arrives to school on time. It is unsettling for your child to arrive into his/her classroom late and it is important to get him/her into good habits for later life. If there is anything we can do to help your child's punctuality to improve then please do not hesitate to ask. Please also remember if you arrive and the school playground is empty that you must accompany your child to the main school entrance.

SCHOOL PARKING

Can we please ask that parent/carers park **SAFELY** and **LEGALLY** at all times. Please be considerate to our neighbours by not blocking their access nor parking on pavements

BICYCLE STORAGE AREA

There is a limited storage area for bicycles just to the side of the quad area. Bicycles are left here at their owner's risk and we strongly recommend that they are secured with a lock when left. Anyone wishing to use this facility should contact the school office.

Absences

It is essential that if your child is absent from school you telephone the school office giving the reason for the absence. Please note that specific details are required and reporting him/her as just "unwell" is not sufficient.

If your child is suffering from sickness or has diarrhoea, **it must be 48hrs** from the last episode before they return to school.

Packed Lunches

Can we again please ask parent / carers to ensure that their children bring to school a packed lunch with healthy choices in. (No products containing nuts) Items must be able to be opened independently as some children are having to wait a long time for staff to open cartons etc. Please remember no fizzy drinks and plastic bottles/containers only for drinks.

SUN SAFETY

On sunny days we strongly advise that your child applies sun cream before coming to school. A hat is also advisable. Your child may wear sunglasses whilst outside but we advise an inexpensive pair; as with all personal property brought into school we cannot take responsibility for any losses or damages.

PTA SUMMER FAIR

Plans are now under way for our annual Summer Fair on Saturday 7th July. Copies of the entry form for the adults 5-a-side football tournament are available from the school office. We will be having a non uniform day on Friday 6th July where the children are invited to bring in tombola prizes (one per family). On the morning of Friday 6th July, there will be boxes just at the side of the main playground where any donations can be dropped off. Wear the colours of your favourite World Cup Football Team in return for a Tombola Prize—Nursery, Reception & Y1—**Toiletries**, Y2, Y3 & Y4—**Toys** & Y5 & Y6 —**Bottles** or a donation (no products containing nuts) towards our ever popular Cake Stall. We also need as many people as possible to help run a stall—even if it's just for an hour—please let us know if you can help.

Dates for your Diary

Please regularly visit www.st-aidans.northumberland.sch.uk for all dates for 2017-2018

All dates subject to change.

JUNE 2018	
Mon 4/6	School re-opens—2.45pm—Whole School Collective Worship—Lynda Edwards (CAFOD) Cookery & Children's University After School Clubs begin.
Mon 4/6 to Wed 6/6	Y6 Residential Educational Visit
Tues 5/6	5.30pm-New to Nursery—Parent/carers Meeting
Thurs 7/6	KS1 Visit to Beamish
Fri 8/6	9.10am- 2M- Class Assembly—4pm FHC Rehearsal
Sat 9/6	10am FHC Mass St Aidan's Church
w/c 11/6	Y1 Phonics Screening
Mon 11/6	2.45pm-Whole School Collective Worship lead by 2/1H
Tues 12/6	Y4—Enterprise Market Y3 Tag Rugby 5.30pm-New to Reception-Parent/carers Meeting Nursery Tumble Tots pm (No morning Nursery session)
Weds 13/6	6/5C Parent/carers drop-in
Thurs 14/6	6T Parent/carers drop-in—EYFS & KS1—Creepy Crawly Roadshow
Fri 15/6	9.10am—6/5C—Class Assembly
Sat 16/6	FHC Session 9 at St Aidan's Church from 4pm onwards.
Mon 18/6	6T & 6/5C Beamish Visit
Tues 19/6	2M—Parent/carers drop-in PTA Meeting at 6pm.
Wed 20/6	3G, 4/3L & 5/4KJ Visit to Beamish—Y6—Youth Festival Emmaus Village & Nursery Sports Day
Thurs 21/6	9.30am—Reception & KS1 Sports Events—6pm-Children's University Graduation
Fri 22/6	9.30am-KS2 Sports Events—5/4KJ -Parent/carers drop-in 2pm.
Tues 26/6	2/1H-Parent/carers drop-in.
Wed 27/6	RT Parent/carers drop-in. Northumberland Catholic Partnership Celebration—Whitley Bay Playhouse 6pm-8pm.
Thur 28/6	3G -Parent/carers drop-in
Fri 29/6	KS1 Victorian Day—KS2 to attend St Peter & St Paul Mass at St Aidan's Church
JULY 2018	
Mon 2/7	PTA Disco Tickets on sale
Tues 3/7	4/3L-Parent/carers drop-in 6.00pm-Governors' Summer Term Meeting
Weds 4/7	Y6 Transition Day
Thur 5/7	9.10am-RT Class Assembly
Fri 6/7	9.10am—First Friday Mass - Annual Progress Reports to Parent/carers distributed. Non-Uniform Day—Wear the colours of your favourite World Cup Football Team in return for a Tombola Prize—Nursery, Reception & Y1—Toiletries, Y2, Y3 & Y4—Toys & Y5 & Y6 -Bottles
Sat 7/7	PTA Summer Fair—10am-1pm
Wed 11/7	Parent/carers consultations—3.30pm-4.30pm
Fri 13/7	9.10am-Class 2/1H—Assembly—PTA Summer Disco 3.15pm-5.15pm
Tues 17/7	9.10am-Y6 Leavers' Mass
Weds 18/7	Y6 Prom—6pm-8pm
Fri 20/7	1.30pm End of term liturgy. (Parent/carers able to attend may take children home immediately afterwards; all other children to be collected at 3.15pm) School closes for Summer holidays at 3.15pm.

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SEPTEMBER 2018	
Tues 4/9	School re-opens for the Autumn term
Tues 25/9	NSPCC Assemblies for KS1 & KS2
Fri 28/9	Macmillan Coffee Morning 9am-10am
OCTOBER 2018	
Tues 2/10	NSPCC Workshops for Y5 & Y6
Tues 16/10	School Photographs
Fri 26/10	School closes for half term break at 3.15pm.
NOVEMBER 2018	
Mon 5/11	School re-opens.
DECEMBER 2018	
Fri 21/12	School closes for Christmas holidays at 3.15pm
JANUARY 2019	
Mon 7/1	School re-opens for Spring Term
FEBRUARY 2019	
Fri 15/2	School closes for half-term holidays at 3.15pm.
Mon 25/2	School re-opens.
APRIL 2019	
Fri 5/4	School closes for Easter holidays at 3.15pm.
Wed 24/4	School re-opens for Summer term.
MAY 2019	
Mon 6/5	School closed for May Day Bank Holiday
W/c 13/5	End of KS2 SATS (Y6 pupils)
W/c 20/5	End of KS1 SATS (Y2 pupils)
Fri 24/5	School closes for half-term break at 3.15pm
JUNE 2019	
Mon 3/6	School re-opens
W/C 10/6	Y1 Phonics Screening
JULY 2019	
Fri 5/6	School closed for teacher training day.
Mon 8/7 to Wed 10/7	Y6 Residential
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