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Weekly Newsletter – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June

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## Summer Term 2, Week 2

### This half term, our RRSA is Article 12:

*'Children have the right to say what they think should happen when adults are making decisions that affect them, and to have their opinions taken into account.'*

**Year 6 Met an Astronaut:** Y6 went to visit Michael Foale, who is an astronaut, this week. He gave an inspirational speech about how he became an astronaut and his missions to space. The children watched videos of his space launches, expeditions at the Space Station and what life was like inside the shuttle. The children asked lots of questions about life in space and were all amazed and inspired by his stories.

**Durham Cathedral Leaver's Service:** Our Y6 pupils were invited to attend the Leaver's Service at the magnificent Durham Cathedral. Hundreds of children attend the ceremony. It was a beautiful service that all staff and pupils felt proud to be part of. This was an occasion which our Year 6 pupils will never forget. Well done, Year 6 for your fantastic conduct: you were a credit to our school and to yourselves.

**Reception Transition Meeting:** This week Reception parents met with Mrs Byrne to discuss transition from Reception to Key Stage 1. A big step for all children but one that is very carefully planned for all individual children. Thank you to all the parents that attended the meeting.

**Father's Day Lunch:** On Thursday and Friday, it was the turn of dads / grandads/ carers to be treated to a delicious Father's day lunch by our fantastic team of cooks! A massive thank you to everyone who came along to share their lunchtime with the children. It was another fantastic event and again we would like to say a big thank you to the kitchen staff ladies for yet another wonderful family occasion.

**Year 1 Beamish Trip:** Year 1 had a fantastic day at Beamish yesterday, the rain didn't spoil their fun. They learnt lots about jobs, toys, clothing and life in the 1950s which will be used throughout our History topic. The children thoroughly enjoyed spending time in the school, comparing it to our school. They showed a particular interest in the behaviour card and punishments received in the past. They also had a trip down the mine, a ride on the tram and enjoyed activities in the Welfare Hall which we have worked on as part of the 'Re-Making Beamish' project.

**Uniform Orders:** We have some uniform stock ready for September: please get any orders in as soon as possible to ensure your child has full uniform for starting back in September. Forms can be collected from the office. Thank you.

**Attendance:** This week, the winners of Astronomical Attendance is Year 1! Well done Year 1, keep it up!

	Whole Class Attendance % this week	100% attendance	minutes late/ No.children
Reception	94.6	79.2	91 x2
Year 1	97.9 ☺	89.3	9 x 2
Year 2	93.5	88	92 x 8
Year 3	95.2	89.3	34 x 2
Year 4	95.6	81.5	25 x 5
Year 5	89.3	79.3	72 x 3
Year 6	94.7	83.3	3 x 1





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Total	94.4%	326 mins
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**Average attendance this week for Rec- Y6 = 94.4 %**, we can do better than this! Please improve next week!

**Lateness: 326 minutes lost due to being late:** We cannot stress the importance of arriving to school on time. Referrals to Durham County Council Enforcement Team have been made this week for those children persistently absent (ie. Attendance falling below 90%). This may result in a fine or even court prosecution. From this week, persistent absentees will be visited by Kirsty to ascertain reasons for persistent absence. Unauthorised absence: 3.4% Absence due to illness: 1.7%

### Dates for your diary:

Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	EYFS Father's Day lunch Celebration 10.30am
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception Class visit to Bowes Museum
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Rec and Year 6 Graduation Photos
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	The Big Play: Singing and Samba Carnival for all children and families. 11am – 1pm All families should have been given tickets, any problems please see Mrs Byrne
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Y 5 Curriculum Week
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Y 4 Class Assembly
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	EYFS Trip to Hall Hill Farm
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	EYFS Graduation – 9.30am
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fayre -1.30 – 3pm
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Y3 Residential (home on Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> )
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	EYFS Sports Day 9.30am
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July –Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Secondary School Transition Visits
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day: 9.30-10.30: Y3 & 4 11.00-12.00: Y5 & 6 1.30-2.30: Y1 & 2
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	9.15am: Y6 Leavers assembly 3pm: Break Up for Summer
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Children return to school</b>

Mrs Page  
Headteacher

