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Summer Term

Weekly Newsletter – Friday 8th May 2015

Y4 Visit to Auckland Castle: Y4 were invited to visit the beautiful Auckland Castle this week, to find out about its history and to see how it is being developed into an exciting and informative educational centre for our community. As ever, the children demonstrated outstanding behaviour and were fantastic ambassadors for our school, so much so, the event organisers have invited us to go back in the near future do some further work based on geography. Thanks to staff for organising the event and parent governors who attended the trip.

Road Safety: I have been increasingly concerned about road safety around the school for some time and have repeatedly requested that parents and carers do not park on the yellow markings outside of school. Unfortunately, a small minority are still congesting the area and I have met today with the Local Authority who have passed the matter to the Enforcement Team. The children have also been concerned about this aspect of their safety and this week two Road Safety Ambassadors Dylan and Phebe from Y3 represented WCP5 at Copeland Road Primary, to discuss some of their concerns. As a result, we will be launching a Junior Road Safety team in school, to help inform everyone about the issues we face and to take further action to ensure everyone in our school is safe. May I also remind parents that the main gate is strictly for vehicle access only: children are NOT permitted to use this gate as an access point. Thank you.

Parent Questionnaire: I will be sending a copy of the annual Parent Questionnaire home with this week's newsletter. We are always keen to hear your views of the school, what we are doing well and how we can improve even further. Your previous comments have directly impacted on school improvements, such as offering a wider range of after school clubs for pupils, having a more user-friendly school website and offering more Family Learning events, all of which we have acted upon and implemented. Please return your completed questionnaires by next Friday: all returned forms will receive 2 Rainbow Tickets for your child and the raffle ticket attached will be entered for a winning £10 Tesco voucher.

Good luck, Year 6! On Monday, Year 6 will be taking their SAT tests, for which they have been working very hard. I am extremely proud of the commitment and drive they have shown in preparing for these tests and we wish them lots of luck for the week ahead: you can do it, Year 6!

Pupils of the Week:

Reception: Ruby S for doing very tricky work and not giving up!

Y1: Abbie- Marie W for fantastic independent work about a secret forest

Y2: Ellie M for fantastic independent work in Maths

Y3: Dylan P for super manners and a mature attitude

Y4: Kane H for excellent independent work on coordinates

Y5: Gabrielle C for super Maths (full marks!) and perseverance in ICT

Y6: Megan T for showing utter determination to succeed

Astronomical Attendance: this week the best attendance in school goes to Class 6. Well done everyone!

Reception: 84.5%

Y1: 92%

Y2: 86.2%

Y3: 92.5%

Y4: 93.7%

Y5: 93.9%

Y6: 97.2%

Remember! We are aiming to have at least 95% attendance for every class, every week: let's see if we can make this term the best attendance yet!

Lunchtime Supervisor's Good manners award this week goes to Charlie Clough for always having impeccable manners, being very helpful and behaviour and setting an excellent example to others: well done!





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Dates for your Diary: (please also check the school website diary pages for key dates throughout the year)

Year 6 SATs	Monday 11th May – Thursday 14th May: <i>under no circumstances must children be absent from school during this week.</i>
Monday 18 th May	EYFS & KS 1 Dr Bike Session / security marking by Police . Details to follow
Monday 18 th May 1.00pm	E Safety Assembly for parents / carers.
Wednesday 20 th May	KS 2 Dr Bike Session / security marking by Police . Details to follow
Thursday 21 st May	School Photographer
Friday 22 nd May	BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM HOLIDAY
Monday 1 st June	RETURN TO SCHOOL
Tuesday 9 th June 9.10am	Year 2 Class Assembly
Wednesday 17 th June 1-3pm	Year 6 Bike Skills (on yard, bring own bikes)
Monday 22 nd – Friday 26 th May	Year 5 Curriculum Week (St Johns, Bishop Barrington)
Friday 26 th June	Y6 Hamsterley Forest cycling trip (1/2 class)
Tuesday 30 th June	Year 5 Bike Skills (on yard, bring own bikes)
Thursday 2 nd July	Y6 Hamsterley Forest cycling trip (1/2 class)
Friday 3 rd July 1pm	EYFS Meeting for 2 Year olds
Monday 6 th July	Y5 Hamsterley Forest cycling trip (1/2 class)
Monday 6 th July 9.00am	New Nursery / Reception Parents meeting
Tuesday 7 th July	Y5 Hamsterley Forest cycling trip (1/2 class)
Tuesday 7 th July 9.10am	Y1 Transition Meeting
Wednesday 8 th – Friday 10 th July	Y6 Transition Visits to Secondary School
Monday 13 th July	Sports Day: Y3 /4: 9.15-10.30am Y5/6: 11.00 – 12.15 Y1/2: 1.15- 2.15pm
Tuesday 14 th July	House Games in school
Wednesday 15 th July 9.15am	EYFS Sports Day
Wednesday 15 th July 9.15am	Summer Term Outstanding Behaviour Trip
Wednesday 15 th July	Summer Fayre & SUDs Launch
Thursday 16 th July	EYFS Graduation Ceremony
Thursday 16 th July 4-7pm	Year 6 Leavers Prom (parents invited 6-7pm)

Mrs Page
Headteacher



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