Weekly Bulletin –23rd June 2017

Headteacher's Message

It was a delight to welcome so many of our Reception Class parents to school yesterday to attend the class worship based on the theme of Noah's Ark. The children's presentation of the story was excellent and gave an important message for all present to reflect upon.

Years 3-6 attended the Mini Olympic festival at Chester-Le-Street on Tuesday and enjoyed taking part in various sporting competitions with children from other local schools. Attending events such as these is just one way in which we spend our Sports Premium funding. This is money given to all schools to support the development of school sport. Please see the Sports Premium section of the website for more information about how we spend our money and about the provision of sporting activities within the life of the school.

Our international and cultural activities continue. This week and next we welcome two Durham University students from Hong Kong into school as part of a cultural exchange. They have been sharing in activities with our classes and the children have had the opportunity to ask questions and find out more about another culture. In a similar vein, Year 1 will present their Brazilian Carnival on 11th July. Rehearsals are going well and we look forward to an excellent performance.

Best wishes
Mr Tait

Staffing

As of October 2017 Mrs Richardson will be commencing maternity leave and we are currently in the process of advertising for a teacher to cover her absence from school.

Diary Dates

Saturday 24th June 2017	- FOSS Summer Fair
Tuesday 27th June 2017	- Y2 St. Mary's Lighthouse
Wednesday 28th June 2017	- Y4 Tree Planting
Wednesday 28th June 2017	- Y1 multi-skills
Monday 3rd July 2017	- Y6 Infinite Air
Wednesday 5th July 2017	- School Open Evening
Monday 10th July 2017	- Sports Day (13:30)
Tuesday 11th July 2017	- Y1 Brazilian Carnival
Wednesday 19th July 2017	- Y1 Seven Stories
Thursday 20th July 2017	- Leavers' Assembly (Y6)
Friday 21st July 2017	- Leavers' Service (full school) – last day of term

For a full list of school holiday dates please see the school website.

Noticeboard

- Please note the date change for the Y1 school trip to Seven Stores.
- Please check your children's hair for head lice regularly and treat, as appropriate.
- If your child is registered for an after-school club and is not attending for any reason please follow normal school procedures and inform the school office. This is a safeguarding issue.

- If your child brings a packed lunch to school, please remember that they cannot contain nuts or cereal bars. There are children in school with nut allergies.

Christian Values

We continue to explore the value of service and worship will be led by Mr Tait, Mrs Matthews, Fr. Bill and our Key Stage Two pupils. We will be thinking about the ways in which we are called to love our neighbours whoever they might be.

School Events

Transition Days for Year 6 have started. This is when our Y6 pupils visit the secondary schools they will be attending from September.

Year 1 and Reception were practicing during the week; Reception for their assembly and Year 1 for their Brazilian Carnival.

On Tuesday 120 children, all of KS2, visited the Riverside Stadium for the mini-Olympics. Over 1000 children from different schools were at the event. On Wednesday Year 4 visited Vindolanda and the rain managed to hold off whilst the children explored the Roman Army Museum site and Vindolanda itself. Today, Friday, our School Sports Organising Crew (SSOC) is running a non-stop cricket event at Maiden Castle for our Year 5 and Year 6 classes.

Next week, on Monday, Year 1 and Year 2 are taking part in an inter-house Basketball Festival at school with the School Sports Partnership and our SSOC. Year 2 are visiting St. Mary's Lighthouse on Tuesday and Y1 are visiting Durham Johnston School on Wednesday for the multi-skills event.

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