

Weekly Bulletin 21st July 2022

Headteacher's Message

On Monday afternoon Year 6 presented their Leavers' Assembly - looking back with both humour and affection on their time at Shincliffe. Their performance was enjoyed by the whole school and a capacity audience of friends and family.

This morning our Leavers' Service was held at St. Mary's and the leavers were each presented with a Bible as a fitting gift to mark their time with us. Education should be one of the greatest blessings in anyone's life and an opportunity to experience 'life in all its fullness.' We wish our Year Sixes well as they move on to the next stage of their schooling.

I would also like to take this opportunity to express my deep appreciation to the staff for the dedication and enthusiasm shown through the course of this academic year and for the way in which they have consistently endeavoured to provide the very best for the children. They are a credit to the profession; their commitment to your children and to giving them to the best educational experiences is second to none.

I wish you all a happy, relaxing and fun summer break and look forward to welcoming you back to school on Tuesday 6th September. I leave you with the words of the blessing shared by Year 6 at this morning's Leavers' Service:

May the road rise to meet you, May the wind be always at your back, May the sun shine warm upon your face, May the rains fall softly upon your fields. Until we meet again, May God hold you in the hollow of his hand. Amen

Best wishes

Mr Rumbles

Dates

Tuesday 6th September - School Re-opens Thursday 22nd September – Y6 Visit to Eden Camp Monday 26th September – Y5 Visit to the ISKON Temple

North Eats – So Much More than School Food

We are incredibly excited that North Eats, a partnership between Chartwells and Durham County Council and Schools, will be taking over the catering at the school your child attends at the start of the next academic year.

We believe that the key to fuelling young minds comes from understanding both what they need and what they enjoy, which is why we're passionate about serving nutritious and delicious food that pupils love, alongside helping to ensure a healthy body and mind.

North Eats is committed to serving delicious, seasonal, and healthy menus, using carefully selected ingredients that we know pupils love, in doing so reducing waste and helping to build a more sustainable world for future generations.

We will add a selection of new dishes to the menu, while retaining the current popular dishes and theme days that the children know and love. All menus will meet the nutritional guidelines outlined in the school food standards.

Our team are at the very heart of everything we do. All current employees working in the school kitchen and catering team, have been offered a role within the new contract.

Our focus is to invest in the local community and provide enrichening experiences. Part of this focus will see us deliver in the coming year Chartwells' award-winning Beyond The Kitchen programme to schools and local communities, delivering targeted workshops focused around five core themes; Nutrition and Health, Cooking and Food, Mental Wellbeing, Sports and Exercise and Sustainability.

Considering the well documented inflationary pressures the market faces into, there will be a small increase to the meal price from £2.20 to £2.25 in September. All children in Key Stage 1 continue to eat free under the Universal Infant Free School Meals policy, as do those eligible for free school meals.

Chartwells is one of the UK's largest education sector caterers. It cultivates a love of fantastic food through exceptional catering services, brought to life by passionate, value-driven teams. You can learn more about Chartwells here – <u>https://www.chartwells.co.uk/</u>

Dragonflies - Durham

MAKE NEW FRIENDS SHINCLIFFE C OF E RECEPTION STARTERS TUESDAY 30th AUGUST @ 4pm, DragonfliesDurham Soft Play, DH11TH Come and meet some of your new classmates before starting school in September. Soft Play session with snack and juice £5.95 per little one BOOK NOW VIA OUR WEBSITE www.dragonfliesdurham.co.uk/classes

Notice Board

- Please note, all before and after school clubs are now finished.
- KS2 DINNER MONEY AUTUMN TERM 1 (2022/2023) Parents and Carers wishing to pay in advance for their child's school dinners, for next half term, (6 weeks 4 days) are requested to visit ParentPay and make the online payment for the sum of £76.50 to be paid by Tuesday 6th September 2022. Please note your child's balance and adjust your payment accordingly.
- From September 2022 the price for a pupil School meal will increase to £2.25.
- If your child is wishing to change to *Packed Lunches* please inform the school office with one week's notice.