



## **Weekly Bulletin 16<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

### **Headteacher's Message**

Firstly, we would like to congratulate our Year 6 children for the excellent effort and dedication they have shown during SATs assessments this week. We are delighted with their approach to their studies and they can be justly proud of their efforts.

This week has been Mental Health Awareness Week. The theme this year is 'The Power of Community – providing a sense of belonging, purpose, safety and support. Children have looked at the different communities they belong to and the benefits of that.

At Shincliffe school we offer a range of support to help your child with their emotional well-being:

**Universal Support** - To meet the needs of all our pupils through our overall ethos and our wider curriculum.

**Additional support** - For those who may have short-term needs and those who may have been made vulnerable by life experiences such as bereavement.

**Targeted support** - For pupils who need more differentiated support and resources or specific targeted interventions such as wellbeing groups.

**Staff members to contact if you are concerned about your child's mental health:** Mr Rumbles (Headteacher), Mrs Richardson (Deputy Head Teacher), Mrs Caygill (Thrive Practitioner & Mental Health First Aider), Mrs Marsden (Mental Health First Aider)

Each week I want to include a 'snapshot' of some of the things going on in school. For example, news from our ECO team, Worship group, V.I.P. (Very International People) and SNAG (School Nutrition Action Group). This week our focus is on our upcoming Maths Café and an update is shared below.

Best wishes

Mr Rumbles

### **Maths Café**

Over the coming weeks we will be hosting a Maths Café for Year groups 1-6, delivered by Durham's Family Learning Champions for children and parents. The Café uses a range of fun Maths activities and games linked to the skills your child is learning in school, which will help you support with their development and homework. This will be a valuable session which everyone can enjoy, especially when preparing for transition to your child's next year group.

The dates for each year group are as follows:

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May – Y6 Maths Café – 1pm-3pm

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June – Y5 Maths Café – 1pm-3pm

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June – Y4 Maths Café – 1pm-3pm

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June – Y3 Maths Café – 1pm-3pm

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June – Y2 Maths Café – 1pm-3pm

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Y1 Maths Café – 1pm-3pm

### **Year 6 Transition Dates**

Belmont - 4<sup>th</sup> July

Framwellgate - 4<sup>th</sup> July

Durham Johnston - 4<sup>th</sup> July

Sedgefield – 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> July

St Leonards – 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> July

### **Diary Dates**

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

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May - Hardwick Park Reception Class

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May – Y6 Maths Café – 1pm-3pm – Parents welcome

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Y2 Striking and Fielding Festival

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June – Y5 Maths Café – 1pm-3pm – Parents welcome

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Pentecost Eucharist – 9.05am – All welcome

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June - Vindolanda Y4

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June Y6 Leavers' Service – Durham Cathedral (Pupils only)

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June – Y4 Maths Café – 1pm-3pm – Parents welcome

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June – SEND Parents' Evening – 3pm-5pm

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June – Y3 Maths Café – 1pm-3pm – Parents welcome

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June - Beamish Y5

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June – Y2 Maths Café – 1pm-3pm – Parents welcome

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June - Sports Day – 1.15pm onwards

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – SEND Parents' Evening – 3.40pm-5pm

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Y1 Maths Café – 1pm-3pm – Parents welcome

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June – Y1 Hall Hill Farm Visit

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June - St Mary's Lighthouse Y2

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July - Parents' Open Evening – 3.30pm-4.30pm

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 Residential to Robin Wood Activity Centre

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July - Oriental Museum Y3

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July at 2.45pm – Y6 Leavers' Assembly – Y6 Parents Welcome

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July at 10am – Y6 Leavers' Service at St Mary's Y6 Parents Welcome - refreshments served afterwards by St Mary's parishioners

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July – School closes for Summer holiday

### **Durham School Meals Board - School Meals price increase**

With the continual challenges we are facing in terms of food inflation, the additional rise in NMW and changes to National Insurance contributions and to ensure sustainable and nutritious meal is provided to the Children, it has been necessary to agree a price increase in relation to the Primary School meal. From 1st June 2025, Primary School Meals will be charged at £2.95 per day.

The Council and a representation of Primary School leaders undertook a full and transparent review of costs and accepted the new price on the basis that this will be fixed until 31st March 2026.

If your child or children attend an infant school or infant class from Reception to Year 2 (KS1) then school meals will continue to be free to them under the government Universal Infant Free School Meal Scheme.

Thank you for your continued support.  
Yours faithfully,

Durham School Meals Board

### **Wild Church – Summer Term 1**

**Sat June 14<sup>th</sup> at 4.00 pm outside St. Mary's - is Next Wild Church**

Christian Aid Cocoa Gathering with activities and a service.

### **Christian Vision and Values**

Our school vision is rooted in Jesus' promise in John 10 v 10, that he has 'come that you may have life - life in all its fullness.' To help us understand and live out this vision we look at certain Christian values which, as a school community, we believe are important.

We are exploring the value of thankfulness and worship will be led by Mr Rumbles, Mrs Matthews, Fr. Bill, Fr. Peter and the pupils.

*Some further information about this half term's value:*

This half term we are focussing on Thankfulness as our whole school Christian Value. We will be looking at why being thankful is important and discussing what the children are thankful for in their lives.

Some things to think about:

- How can we express our appreciation and thankfulness in the life of the school?
- How can we demonstrate that we see the good things of life as a blessing and a gift rather than a right?
- How can we be thankful for more than just material possessions?

If you would like to receive a copy of the Weekly Bulletin by e-mail please e-mail the school. [Shincliffe@durhamlearning.net](mailto:Shincliffe@durhamlearning.net) The Weekly Bulletins from previous weeks can be found in the Parents' section of the website.

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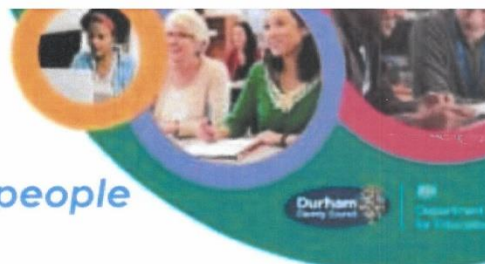
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- Password security and storage
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- How the internet can affect your mental being



**Online Sessions to be hosted on Teams. To register  
your interest, please scan the QR code and select an  
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## Understanding Why Children Might Be Anxious About School

**Tuesday 6th May 2025, 9.30 am—11.30 am**

This is an awareness session to increase understanding of why children might be anxious about school, identify potential triggers and look at available support and strategies. This session is suitable for parents/carers of all school aged children but may be of limited value to parents of children with more complex needs.

### Anxiety (Two groups)

**Tuesday 3rd June 2025, 9.30 am—11.30 am—Over 11 years**

**Tuesday 10th June 2025, 9.30 am—11.30 am— 5-11 years**

This session looks at what anxiety is, what the triggers might be, how to identify it and how we can support our children and young people.

### Emotional Wellbeing

**Wednesday 9th July 2025, 1.30 pm—3.30 pm**

This session will focus on emotional wellbeing, what is it and how can we improve it for ourselves and our children.

Please book a place using the link or QR code directly below:

[CAMHS Training Booking Form - Parents Carers](#)



To visit our Trust website, for further information, please scan the QR code at the bottom of this page. The sessions are aimed at parents of school aged children but parents of younger/older children are very welcome. The sessions will be led by a CAMHS trainer and run on Microsoft Teams.

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## Understanding Behaviour Development in Children and Young People

**Tuesday 15th July 2025, 9.30 am—11.30 am**

This session will look at behavioural norms in the developing child and how adult behaviour influences this. We will look at the challenges parents and carers may face and how they can support their children and young people to develop resilience and manage risk as they grow to adulthood and independence.

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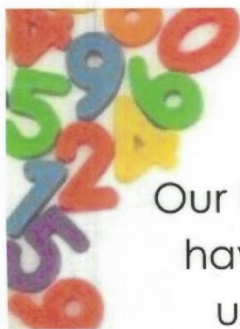




# Summer Timetable

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Supporting Healthy Sleep	16 June 10am
Decreasing Depression	16 June 7pm
Raising Self-Esteem	17 June 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	17 June 7pm
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	23 June 10am
Supporting a Child with ADHD	23 June 7pm
Improving Family Communication	24 June 10am
Autism Improving Communication	24 June 7pm
Facing Defiance	30 June 10am
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	30 June 7pm
Understanding Anger	1 July 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	1 July 7pm
Introduction to OCD	7 July 10am
What is ACT?	7 July 7pm
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	8 July 10am



## Come along to our Maths Café!

Our Family Learning Champions have designed a course that uses a range of fun maths activities and games linked to the skills your child is learning in school, which will help you support with their development and homework.

**\*Please note: There will be some registration paperwork to complete at the session. Please bring your National Insurance Number and a form of ID for the paperwork. Thank you\***



**Come and join  
your child for  
some fun maths  
activities!**

### Maths Café

1pm-3pm

Wednesday 21 May Year 6

Wednesday 4 June Year 5

Wednesday 11 June Year 4

Tuesday 17 June Year 3

Wednesday 18 June Year 2

Tuesday 24 June Year 1