



April 2018 Newsletter

All children and young people have a right to a primary education...Young people should be encouraged to reach the highest level of education they are capable of. (Article 28, United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child)

Lent

Thank you for your kind donations to the charities we have focused on this term.

St. Patrick's Day. Thanks to the appeal organised by Erin, we raised enough to buy every resident in Divine care Centre an Easter Egg. We were invited to the home to distribute the eggs to the residents who were very grateful.

Class fundraisers. The children had fun buying cakes, fruit kebabs and taking part in the wine gum challenge. In total we were able to raise **£65 for Mission Together**

First Holy Communion Children

Three of our children are currently preparing to make their First Holy Communion. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.



Easter

This half term we celebrate the Risen Christ at Easter. We will be growing and planting flowers around the school to create areas for prayerful thought and Collective Worship, thanking God for the gifts He has given us.

Easter Coffee Afternoon

Our Friends of the School would like to thank you for the support you gave at the recent Coffee afternoon.

£250 was raised.

Weather

Hopefully we have seen the last of winter and we can look forward to some warmer days, where the children can spend more time learning outdoors. With this in mind, can you please make sure children are dressed appropriately for warmer weather, wearing sun-cream and sun hats / caps. School is not allowed to apply sun-cream to children and sharing of sun-cream is not allowed due to concerns over allergies.

Parents of Year 6 children

Just a reminder to please support your child in their regular revision for SATs by giving them a quiet space to concentrate and ensuring they get plenty of sleep.

They'll soon be over and the 'fun' lessons will begin again.

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PLEASE CONTACT SCHOOL OFFICE IF NEEDED



Food Bank in Wingate - Every Saturday between 10-12 at Holy Trinity Church

We have now been issued with vouchers for the food bank.

If you are experiencing any difficulties, through sudden redundancy, unexpected bills after Christmas or repairs, which means that you may struggle to buy food for your family, please let us know and we can give you a voucher which entitles you to 3 days of emergency food supplies worth approximately £26 to help you.

A reminder from Jane Grieve—when the foodbank is open on Saturday mornings they will also be serving free breakfasts to anyone who would like to pop in, no need for vouchers to be actually collecting a parcel, just a welcome to all, hot drinks, cereals and toast.

To help support this cause, we have placed a basket in the entrance if you would like to donate tinned/ dry food, women's toiletries etc. We will ensure that they are passed on.

Thank you for your continued support in getting your child to school regularly and on time. Please remember that we can give children some medication if they are feeling a little under the weather.

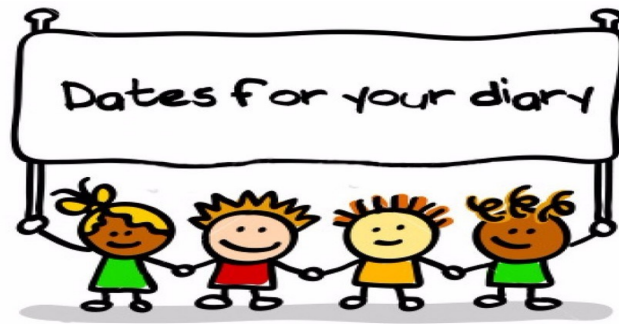


Parish Links

A reminder that a copy of the Parish bulletin is available in school each week which includes times of masses and Diocesan, national and international updates.

Year 5/6 Windmill Engineering Project at Beamish Museum—7th + 8th July

Some of you may remember the children taking part in an engineering projects sponsored by Beamish Museum in Windmills last year. It was a huge success and so we are taking part in it again. The designs from schools will be exhibited there on the 7th and 8th July. More details about this will follow, but we wanted you to know the date in case you are interested in going.



Please note, our holidays are different to many other schools around us – so please make sure you have the correct dates in your diary.

April

16th	Cricket after school club starts for years 2-6
19th	Class 3 French lesson with teacher from Wellfield
20th	2 children attending coding session at Shotton Hall Academy
23rd	1 pupil attending Cross Country finals
27th	Class 2 & 3 swimming lessons resume

May

4th	Y3-5 attending Skipping Festival at St. Bede's Peterlee
7th	BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY—SCHOOL CLOSED
14-17th	SATS Week
21st	NSPCC Workshops with children
25th	Break up for half term

RETURN TO SCHOOL ON MONDAY 4th June

June

5th	Road Safety Officer working with y5/6
7th	Y5/6 Keeping Healthy Workshop with school nurse
13th	Class 1 at St. Bede's computer rooms
14th	Y5 Puberty workshop with school nurse
19th	Hoopstarz day in school
20th	Climbing Wall in school
21st	Ceilidh workshops
22nd	PD Day—School Closed
25th	Year 6 at Primary Youth Festival

July

3rd	Year 5 at St. Bede's Transition workshops
5th	Year 6 Arched Mass at Peterlee
7+8th	Wind in you Sails Beamish Family weekend
9-10th	Year 6 transition to Wellfield
12th	King Midas—First Performance
13th	Year 6 transition to St. Bede's
16th	King Midas—Second performance
18th	Leaver's Disco

These dates are also on our website, which is often updated.