

Newsletter



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Dear Families and Board Members,

Welcome back! We hope that you all had a wonderful summer and enjoyed some nice family time. The children have been telling us all about the lovely things they got up to when they were off school.

It has been so nice to welcome the children back into school and to say hello to our new nursery and reception children. As always, we have also welcomed some new families across our other year groups too.

The children are back into the swing of things, and you will have received a curriculum booklet highlighting the learning that is to come across this term. You can find more information about our curriculum on our school website.

Keep an eye on Dojo where teachers will let you know of any important dates or changes.

Uniform

The children all look very smart in their new uniforms. Can I politely remind you that jewellery should be kept for the weekends? It can pose a health and safety risk and of course precious things can also easily be lost in school. Children are permitted to wear a watch (analogue if possible to aid with learning to tell the time) and small stud earrings. Earrings must be removed for PE so please make sure that your child can remove their own if they are wearing them to school. Please check that all new uniform is clearly named so that we can help return lost property to its owner.

Pupil Responsibilities

We are in the process of appointing new school councillors in each class across key stages 1 and 2 and will soon be holding our assembly to decide upon our year 6 leaders. The children in year 6 are excited to put themselves forward for the various leadership roles on offer such as Head/Deputy Boy/Girl and pupil governors. They know to start preparing their speeches at home and have been encouraged to get a little help from you.

All of year 6 have now been paired up with their buddy in reception and the adults have certainly welcomed their help already.

Dates for the Diary

We have already been thinking ahead to the excitement that December brings and adding some dates to our diary. Please keep an eye on the website where we will be posting these dates in the coming weeks.

Harvest

We will be holding our Harvest celebrations within school in early October. We would welcome donations of dried and tinned foods as well as fresh fruit and vegetable from Monday 5th October. Our newly appointed year 6 leaders and school councillors will be delivering harvest parcels around our neighbourhood as well as donating to West End Food bank. If you would like to nominate someone in need of a harvest parcel, please share their details with the school office.

Reception & Secondary 2027 Applications

The application process for Reception 2027 & secondary school places is open now!

-If your child is currently in Year 6 - Please apply for your child's Year 7 place. The deadline to do so is 31st October 2026.

-If your child is currently in our Nursery / or has the DOB of - 01/09/2022-31/08/2023
Please apply for your child's Reception place - The deadline to do so is 15th January 2027.

Applications can be made via the link below -

<https://www.newcastle.gov.uk/services/schools-learning-and-childcare/apply-school-place>

KEY DATES

30th Sept – Vision screening for reception children
1st Oct – Pop up club – details to follow
8th Oct – Pop up club
12th-14th Oct – parent consultations – details to follow
15th Oct – Pop up club
w/c 12th/19th Oct – SEN review meetings – letters to be sent out nearer the time
23rd Oct – Break up for half term
2nd Nov – Return to school after the half term break

Kindest Regards
Mrs A. Oliver
Head Teacher