

Dear Parents and Carers,

Website Updates – what has been uploaded this week?

All Friday letters and updates (not linked to specific areas: Safeguarding, Online Safety etc.), will be published in either: **Parents – Friday Letters – Summer Term 1 2024 OR Parents – Letters and Flyers**

Friday Letter 10th May 2024

<https://www.thedriveprimary.co.uk/friday-letters/>

Year 4 Trip – Bowes Railway

It was an amazing day out to Bowes Railway for Year 4 on Tuesday. They had the chance to experience life as a miner and workers on the railway, overall, a blacksmith was the most popular. Everyone had a lot of fun climbing in and out of the different carriages and locomotives that are still there today! Another amazing trip for Year 4 and as always, behaviour and attitude was impeccable 😊 – well done!

Attendance – The League and attendance update

0 points if attendance is below 96%

1 point awarded for weekly attendance figures between 96% - 97.5%

2 points awarded for weekly attendance figures between 97.6% - 98.9%

3 points awarded for weekly attendance figures between 99% - 100%

There is lots going round at the minute and has really affected this week's percentages. Well done to those children who have come to school even when they have been feeling a wee bit under the weather and thank you parents and carers for communicating with school if they have had any questions or worries.

There is a lot of talk in the Local Authority at the minute in relation to attendance and punctuality, so hopefully there will be more support and advice coming in relation to improving this area, if anyone has anything they would like to share that can be fed back to the LA, please let myself know: it is always better when we have everyone's views because that is when change can happen and benefits everyone!

As always, if you need to speak to school about your child's attendance and punctuality, please don't hesitate to contact us: we are happy to help!

Teams	Total Points	Overall Weekly Attendance
Nursery	0	88.2% +
Reception	0	95.6% +
Year 1	1	79.2% -
Year 2	0	92.7% +
Year 3	0	92.8% -
Year 4	4	92.8% -
Year 5	3	88.8% -
Year 6	0	85% -

Have a lovely weekend everyone – 21° isn't a bad start, maybe even BBQ weather!

Yours sincerely,



Mrs R Farren
Head Teacher



Dates for the Diary (as they stand) – dates will be added to and possibly changes made. Keep an eye on our website calendar also.

Just a reminder, a 'C' will feature next to an event that requires parent/carer consent. PLEASE NOTE, CONSENT IS NOW GIVEN ON PARENT PAY www.parentpay.com. All letters can be found in Letters and Flyer on our school website.

<https://www.thedriveprimary.co.uk/letter-and-flyers/>

Summer Term 1 2024 – 6 week half term	
Week beginning 13 th May	KS2 SATS Week Breakfast Club will be available (free of charge) for any of the Year 6 children who want to attend Monday – Thursday of this week. Letter issued re Breakfast Club 02.05.24.
Tuesday 14 th May	Year 5 Lawn Bowls Festival C Letter issued 03.05.24
Wednesday 15 th May	Durham Cricket Event (in school)
Thursday 16 th May	TOP Sportsability Multi Sport Festival C Letter issued 03.05.24
Monday 20 th May	Year 6 END OF SATS Celebration PM Year 5/6 Count Down Cricket C Parents/Carers of children taking part in this event will receive a letter once we have had confirmation from the LA.
Tuesday 21 st May	Year 6 Health & Wellbeing @ National Trust Gibside C Further details to follow.
Wednesday 22 nd May	Durham Cricket Event (in school) Year 4 Multiplication Check Test Parent/Carer Meeting Letter issued 10.05.24
Thursday 23 rd May	Phonics Screening Parent/Carer Meeting Letter issued 10.05.24
Friday 24 th May	Break up for Half Term

Summer Term 2 2024 – 7 week half term	
Monday 3 rd June	Return to school after Half Term Year 6 Trip – Discovery Museum – Circuits C Further details to follow.
Tuesday 4 th June	Sports Day - run by Active Future
Monday 3 rd June – Friday 14 th June	Year 4 Multiplication Checks
Tuesday 4 th June	Parent/Carer Kingswood Residential Meeting 3:30 – 4pm Further details to follow.
Wednesday 5 th June	Durham Cricket Event (in school) Parent/Carer Coffee Morning 9 – 10 am
Thursday 6 th June	Year 3/4 Quadkids Athletics C Parents/Carers of children taking part in this event will receive a letter once we have had confirmation from the LA.



Friday 7th June	Year 5/6 Girls Countdown Cricket C Parents/Carers of children taking part in this event will receive a letter once we have had confirmation from the LA.
Monday 10th June – Friday 14th June	Phonics Screening Checks (KS1)
Wednesday 12th June	Durham Cricket Event (in school)
Thursday 13th June	Year 6 Leavers Photos Rescheduled from 21 st May. Children MUST be in full uniform.
Wednesday 19th June	Durham Cricket Event (in school)
Wednesday 19th June – Friday 21st June	Year 6 Residential – Kingswood
Monday 24th June	Year 3 Ancient Egypt Workshop - Durham University (in school)
Thursday 27th June	Year 6 Trip – Discovery Museum – Light C Further details to follow.
Saturday 29th June	Summer Fayre
Wednesday 3rd July	Parent/Carer Coffee Morning 9 – 10 am
	Year 3/4 Countdown Cricket C Parents/Carers of children taking part in this event will receive a letter once we have had confirmation from the LA.
	Nursery and Reception Beach Trip Further details to follow.
Friday 5th July	Occasional Day SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday 9th July	Attendance League Celebration Further details to follow.
	Parent/Carer Consultations (in person) Further details to follow.
Wednesday 10th July	Durham Cricket Event (in school)
	Class Swap – meet the teacher/s
Tuesday 16th July	Water Fight Day Further details to follow.
Wednesday 17th July	Durham Cricket Event (in school)
	Shine Awards Further details to follow.
Thursday 18th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 1:30pm
Friday 19th July	Break up for Summer



MAY HALF TERM DISABILTY CRICKET CAMPS



10am - 12pm



Open to all disabilities.

Coached by qualified ECB coaches



30th May : Silksworth CC



31st May : Burnhope CC

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