

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 19<sup>th</sup> April 2024

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

### Welcome Back

Welcome back after Easter and I must say, it has been lovely around school, with our children working hard and having such a great attitude to learning. This half term is 6 weeks (5 now), and Summer 2 is 7 weeks, so lots of time to get everything in (see dates below, it's packed) and for our children to achieve so much! Bring on the Summer Term everyone!

### Year 3 Trip – Arbeia Roman Fort

Year 3 had a great visit to Arbeia Roman fort on Wednesday. They learned that the fort had been used 2000 years ago as a huge storage fort for grain and other things. The goods were transported on to the forts and villages along the Roman wall. They saw the different rooms where the centurion and his soldiers would sleep and live, and visited where the commander of the fort would have lived too. They also saw lots of different Roman artefacts that had buried then discovered on the site, as well as going to the top of the West gate. An amazing trip and the children were all fabulous. Well done Year 3.

### 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%**

No points this week, but I have no doubt there will be an improvement. Last term, Year 3 won again, so let's see if a different class can be the attendance champions this term. Let the League begin!

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	85.7%
Reception	0	90.3%
Year 1	0	92.9%
Year 2	0	94.8%
Year 3	0	94%
Year 4	0	91%
Year 5	0	95.8%
Year 6	0	91.8%

Have a lovely weekend everyone, let's hope the sun shines and is a bit warmer!

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](http://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	
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Earth Day – Sustrans in
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Showing Potential Workshop <b>C</b> <b>Children, who are attending this event, received a letter 19.04.24.</b>
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Parent/Carer Coffee Morning <b>9 – 10 am</b>
	Year 4 Trip – Hindu Temple <b>Letter received 18.04.24</b>
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Local Government and Police and Crime Commissioning Elections <b>NURSERY CLOSED- Letter received 19.04.24</b>
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday Monday <b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 4 Trip – Bowes Railway
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Durham Cricket Event (in school) <b>*Parents/Carers of children taking part in this event will receive a letter once we have had confirmation from the LA.</b>
Week beginning 13 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATS Week <b>Breakfast Club will be available (free of charge) for any of the Year 6 children who want to attend Monday – Thursday of this week.</b>
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 Lawn Bowls Festival <b>Parents/Carers of children taking part in this event will receive a letter once we have had confirmation from the LA.</b>
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Durham Cricket Event (in school)
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	TOP Sportsability Multi Sport Festival <b>C</b> <b>Parents/Carers of children taking part in this event will receive a letter once we have had confirmation from the LA.</b>
	Year 6 <b>END OF SATS</b> Celebration PM
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5/6 Count Down Cricket <b>Parents/Carers of children taking part in this event will receive a letter once we have had confirmation from the LA.</b>
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Year 6 Health & Wellbeing @ National Trust Gibside <b>C</b> <b>Further details to follow.</b>
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Durham Cricket Event (in school) *
	Year 4 Multiplication Check Test Parent/Carer Meeting <b>Further details to follow.</b>
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Phonics Screening Parent/Carer Meeting <b>Further details to follow.</b>
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Break up for Half Term
Summer Term 2 2024 – 7 week half term	
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Return to school after Half Term
	Year 6 Trip – Discovery Museum – Circuits <b>C</b> <b>Further details to follow.</b>
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day - run by Active Future



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



# MAY HALF TERM DISABILITY CRICKET CAMPS



10am - 12pm



**Open to all disabilities.**

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**30th May : Silksworth CC**



**31st May : Burnhope CC**

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