## Friday 23rd December 2022

Dear Parents and carers,

## **Celebrations**



Class	Star	Presentation	Reading
R	Ava	Dougie	
1	Zak	Kaitlin	
2	Gracie	Joey D	
3	Donnie	Tommy	
4	Thomas	Luisa	
5	Jay	Ivy-Mae	Archie Michael
6	Ciara	James P	
	Headteacher Aw	ards: Jaxon and Tommy Mc	
		nce this week: Year 1 with 9 endance: 89.9% (Target 96%)	

**Reading Raffle** 

Well done to the children who won this half terms reading raffle, remember the more you read the more tickets you collect!

#### 100% attendance

We also gave a certificate and a treat to the children who have had 100% this term. Well done children!

## Safeguarding

We are aware a lot of children will be receiving new devices for Christmas but please take some time to ensure all the appropriate checks are in place to protect children from being contacted by anyone you do not know or accessing inappropriate materials. Remember safeguarding is the responsibility of everyone and if you have any concerns please contact One Call on 01670 *536400* or 999 in an emergency.

The domestic violence support service are available at 01670 820199 (24hours a day) or by searching for Domestic Abuse Support Service Northumberland (DASSN).

## **NUFC -- Restart and Heart**

As part of our ongoing programme in partnership with Newcastle United some of their staff attended school to teach our Year 5 and 6 children some key First Aid skills, with a focus on being able to do CPR correctly.

## Years 5 and 6 Swimming

Children will have their first swimming lesson on Wednesday 11th January at Willowburn.

## **Christmas Raffle Donations**

Thank you for the donated gifts and your hard work to sell as many tickets as possible. Altogether we raised a grand total of £310. As always this will be used to help both support the children's learning and play activities. There was almost 40 prizes ranging from Haircut and hair products from Jenz, Running Fox Vouchers, Star Pizza Vouchers, beauty gift bags from Stripes of Morpeth, large sweet hampers (thanks for Mr & Mrs Hinchcliffe), Window Cleaning Vouchers from R Hedley and numerous other gifts.

## Party Pizzas

We are extremely grateful for the very generous donation of a free pizza and drink for every child in the school on their party days donated by Mr Fikret (Bilge's dad from Year 4) who runs Star Pizza in the village.

#### Visit from Santa and his helper

The children were all surprised to see our special visitors on Wednesday. Both Santa and his Elf commented how wonderfully behaved the children were and they received lots of thank yous for the selection boxes. We hope you all liked the photographs too!

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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# Dates for the Future (please add to your home calendar/phone calendar) 2023

Date	Year	Event	Notes
Every Wednesday Spring Term	5&6	Swimming at Willowburn	First session 11th January 2023
Tuesday 10th January	All	School reopens 8:30am—Spring Term	
Friday 27th January	6	Careers Workshop at DCHS	Free to parents
Wednesday 1st February	TBC	Premier League Tournament	Organised by Newcastle United
Friday 17th February	All	School closes for half term	Normal closing hours
Tuesday 28th February	All	School reopens	Gates open 8:30am
Tues 28th Feb and Wednesday 1st March	All	Parents Evening	3:30-6:00
Friday 31st March	All	School closes for Easter Break	
Monday 17th April	All	School reopens	Gates open 8:30am
May	2	SATs test papers to be sat during this month	
Monday 8th May	All	Additional Bank Holiday—King Charles III coronation	School will reopen Tues 9th May
Tuesday 9th May to Friday 12th May	Year 6	SATS week	New dates confirmed by DfE
Tuesday 23rd May	5&6	Newcastle United Visit	
Friday 26th May	All	School closes for half term	Normal closing hours
Tuesday 6th June	All	School reopens—Summer Term	Gates open 8:30am
Every Wednesday Summer Term	Planned R/1/2	Swimming at Willowburn (classes to be confirmed)	First session 7th June
6th to 16th June	4	National Multiplication Test	
Week commencing Monday 12th June	1	Phonics Screening Test	
Wednesday 14th to Friday 16th June	6	Y6 London Visit	
Friday 30th June	All	Sports Day/Summer Fair	Reschedule for 7th July if necessary
Wednesday 12th to Friday 14th July	3&4	Robinwood Residential	
Friday 21st July	All	School closes for Summer break	Reopens Tuesday 5th September
Dates to be confirmed. These events have been booked but we are awaiting confirmation of the exact dates from the organisations involved.		Hannabiell Sanders (Music/ Percussion) Mariam Rezaei (Music/DJ) Lexie Ward (Theatre) Kema Kay (Music/Rap) Dance Workshops Multi Skills Tournament	