

Dear Parents and Carers,

July 2022



You have already had this information in the June newsletter but I thought it would be useful to remind you about a few things as we head into the last 9 days of this academic year. It's looking like a hot week ahead of us so we'd advise that your child comes to school having applied suntan lotion and that they bring some with them to reapply during the day. A sun hat would also be a really good idea.

Parents of children in Pre-School, Reception and Y1 have already had information about their child's visit to Hall Hill Farm this Wednesday.

Y2 parents have had their letter about their visit to St. Mary's Lighthouse a week on Monday (18<sup>th</sup> July). Please read on for other reminders about what is happening and what your child will need.

## **Durham Brass – Perhaps Contraption**

This Tuesday morning we will host Perhaps Contraption, a multi-award winning, progressive brass band from London. They've performed across Europe as well as at Glastonbury and now they will perform at our school ☺



## **Water Slide**

The Upper School children and the Pre-School Bumblebees and Caterpillars will enjoy the Water Slide tomorrow.

Friday Pre-School, Reception, Y1 and Y2 will have their Water Slide session during the Lower School Fun Day on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July.

Please send your child in to school wearing the clothes you want them to do the water slide in – old clothes that you are happy for them to get wet and muddy.

Please then ensure they bring with them a complete change of clothes (casual) including underwear and footwear, that they can change into after they've been on the slide.

They will also need a towel.



## **Bastille Day is this Thursday**

We are asking children to come to school in red, white and blue (like the flag colours) and they will take part in some celebratory activities during the day.

## **Y2 Moving On Assembly – this Thursday**

This will take place this Thursday (14<sup>th</sup> July) and Y2 parents are welcome to attend this although we are restricting this to no more than 2 adults per child. We've changed location and this will now take place in the Upper School Hall starting as soon as the children are ready – probably between 9 and 9:15. We won't be able to let parents into the hall until we have cleared Breakfast Club away and chairs have been set out so once you've dropped your child/ren off please queue up under the covered walkway leading into the Upper School Hall. As soon as we are ready we'll invite you in to the Upper School Hall.

## **Lower School Fun Day and Upper School Walk – this Friday**

A letter has already been emailed out to parents of children in the Lower School for this day.

Information about the Upper School Walk will be sent out later today.

## Y6 Leavers' Meal – Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July

All Year 6 are invited to a leavers' meal (pizza and pop) at school on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> 4.15 - 5.45. They should arrive via the gates near the kitchen. No phones please! Collection will also be from the same gates. If you made the £12 contribution for the Christmas theatre, which was cancelled, then you do not need to make a contribution for this as the remaining £5 will pay for this. If you did not pay for the theatre, or asked for a refund, a separate email will be sent to you regarding this.

## Peter Pan – Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July

This will be performed on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 6 p.m. in the Upper School Hall. Tickets are now on sale - £2 for an adult and £1 for a child – maximum of 2 tickets per child initially. If you've not already purchased your tickets please contact the office asap.



## Y6 Leavers' Assembly – a week on Wednesday (20<sup>th</sup> July)

As with the Y2 Moving on Assembly, this will take place in the Upper School Hall. We are also restricting this to 2 adults per child and we aim to start as soon after 9 a.m. as possible.

Again, we'll have to wait for Breakfast Club to be cleared away and chairs set out so please queue up under the covered walkway leading into the Upper School Hall. As soon as we are ready we'll invite you in to the Upper School Hall.

<b>Summary of dates for the rest of the Summer Term/Start of 2022-2023</b>	
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Parent Meetings for those who have booked an appointment to speak to their child's teacher
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Perhaps Contraption (Durham Brass Festival) to perform at school this morning</b> <b>Water Slide Day for Y3 to Y6 plus the caterpillars and bumblebees</b>
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Pre-School, Reception and Y1 visit to Hall Hill Farm
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Y2 Moving on Assembly (starting as soon after 9 as possible, once children are ready) <b>Bastille Day</b> – children to take part in some French activities during the day
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Lower School Fun Day – <b>including Water Slide Day for ladybirds, Rec, Y1 and Y2</b> Upper School visit to Craster/Embleton Beach
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Y2 to visit St. Mary's Lighthouse.</b> <b>Y6 Leavers' Meal – 4:15 until 5:45 at school</b>
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Peter Pan - Dress Rehearsal to the Upper School – afternoon.</b> <b>Peter Pan - Performance – 6 p.m.</b>
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Y6 Leavers' Assembly for Y6 and their parents approx. 9 a.m. start</b>
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	<b>Last day of term</b>
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Back to School</b>
<b>Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Sept 5 p.m.</b>	<b>Grinton Meeting for all parents and Y5 children who are going</b>