



Summer Newsletter (5)



The academic year continues to march on very quickly and this half term will be over before we know it! It is that wonderful time of the year though when the children are able to play on the field and make the most of the amazing space that we do have at our school when the weather allows.

It was really lovely to see so many of you at the Easter Service in Church and also at the Coffee Afternoon on the final day of term. How wonderful it has been to open our doors to you all again! Thank you all for coming – I hope you liked all of the eggs too! I know some of you were gleaned ideas for next year's parent egg decorating competition!

I hope you have all managed to enjoy some kind of break over the Easter holidays. We were so lucky with the weather and that makes a huge difference to your mood too. It would be great to think that this could continue!

We have welcomed some new starters into our Nursery and are thrilled with how well they have all settled. This term is also a rather tough one for our Year 6 children as they sit their statutory tests and start thinking about their move to secondary school. We have children appealing for places for at least 4 different schools this year which really is unheard of. We invest so heavily in our children during their time with us and our care does not just cease when they leave. We, too, just want the very best for them and will help support parents in their attempt to gain a place in the school of their choice.

We are thrilled to be welcoming another group of children into our school in September too. Our admission limit was increased to 60 to accommodate all first choice requests of parents – some of whom live quite a distance from the school. We will be writing to all those parents next week with details of our Open Evening in June – the date is in the diary dates on the back page.

Please look very carefully at the diary dates as they include the most up-to-date list of activities and events planned for this term. As you can see, there is lots happening every week! We have also made some changes to some of our traditional events. These are explained further in the newsletter, specifically around Sports Days. As our school numbers have continued to increase over the last few years, we need to re-think how we organise some events.

The biggest event this term is our KS2 musical in Consett Empire Theatre in July and there is more information about this later too. All children from Years 3 – 6 will be participating and I am sure it will be another memorable occasion for all involved.

As usual, if there is anything at all that you want to discuss, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Jane Davis

Staff News



Mrs Sarah Green, one of our teaching assistants, will be leaving us on Thursday 19th May. She has made the decision to have a career break with quite a heavy heart as she loves her job, but feels that she has to put her family first at the moment. Since joining us two years ago, she has been a really welcome addition to the school and has brought with her, so much expertise. We hope that she will come back and do some occasional work with us but I know the staff and children will all miss her. However, we wish her all the very best!



Miss Donna Godding is getting married! We are all very excited for Miss Godding who gets married this weekend. She will return to work as Mrs Watt and we hope she has a very long and happy married life. We will all be thinking of her this weekend and hope that the weather stays kind for her!



Lanchester Community Orchard



Year 5 recently had the opportunity to visit Lanchester Community Orchard as part of their topic work on 'Allotments'. We were kindly shown around by Sonny and Paul who explained why the orchard was set up and how it can be used by the whole community. We really enjoyed the visit as a lot of us didn't realise that this lovely area was in our village.

Our favourite parts of the afternoon at the allotment were looking at all the beautiful flowers and trying to identify the wide range of vegetables that were being grown. One of the areas we have been learning about in class is food miles and the distance that our food travels before it arrives on our plate so it was good to see that a lot of our food can be grown organically in our own gardens which is much better for the environment.

A lot of the gardeners clearly take great pride in their allotments and it is a lovely area to visit as there are paths which go around the orchard and it is a very peaceful place. We are hoping to re-visit the orchard in the Summer Term to see what new plants and vegetables have grown since we were last there. A big thank you to Sonny and Paul for all their help and hard work that they do.

Lacey, Annabel, Ella and Kate



Year 4 Ukulele Concert



Year 4 have been working hard in their Music lessons throughout the year learning to play the ukulele. As part of their Arts Award they would like to share their music with an audience. We are delighted to invite parents/carers into school for a ukulele concert on Thursday 12th May at 2.30pm in the Junior Hall. We look forward to seeing you there to share in some really amazing music making! You have been sent a separate letter about this.



Parents' Evenings



We have decided to hold traditional face to face parents' evenings this half-term as we are aware it has now been 2 years since you have been able to come into school and see your child's work. We also send out quite comprehensive end of year reports next half term so felt that it was more important that you had the opportunity to talk this half term. As there will be a number of you in school at the same time, we would ask that you wear a mask on this occasion please, just to help protect everyone!

These will be held on Monday 16th and Wednesday 18th May. They will start at 3.30pm to allow the staff to have a short break and all meetings will be held in the Junior Hall with work being left in the classrooms. You will have the opportunity to see your child's work either before or after your appointment with your child's teacher. However, it will be really important that we are quite strict with our timings of ten minutes. Please do not be offended if your child's teacher puts a stop watch on – they are not being rude – it is just important that we do not over-run in a bid to avoid too many parents in the hall at the same time.

The appointments will go on eSchools on Friday 6th May from 12 noon.



Musical – One Sun, One World



The children have started to learn the first song this week and what a fantastic sound they made! They really are extraordinary singers. This is really going to be a very special event with two performances at 6pm on Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th July in Conssett Empire Theatre. Hopefully, you will soon begin to hear these songs sung at home! This will form part of the curriculum next half term and if our last productions are anything to go by, will be a very exciting time for them all! All classes will have different roles (the most exciting one being the rats!) and they will be told over the next few weeks what they will be. We will be making all our own costumes and scenery but we may be asking for a little help from home too.

There are a small number of solo and group parts for this as well as a number of narration roles. We will be auditioning for these during the week beginning Monday 16th May. The children will be reminded of those dates and they will also be told what we would like them to prepare in advance of the audition.

Tickets will go on sale for this after half term. We will try to ensure the ticket prices are as low as possible, but obviously we do have to ensure that we cover the costs of hiring the theatre.



Forthcoming Statutory Tests



We have a lot of year groups taking various 'tests' over the coming weeks and it is a very important time for the school. We aim to keep them all as low key as possible for the children but these tests are important for the school as they are what the school gets 'judged' on. This year, I feel it is going to be even tougher for the children as they have missed so much school due to the pandemic and whilst we have been working hard to 'catch up' academically in all year groups, we have felt that it has been equally important, if not more so, to ensure their well-being and mental health have been prioritised.

Year 6 Tests

The week beginning Monday 9th May it is absolutely essential for ALL Year 6 children to be in school as they will take their KS2 Statutory Tests. We ask that they come into school at 8.15am that week to enjoy a special breakfast each day, prior to them taking the tests. They have already been more than forthcoming with their requests for food so please don't worry about them not eating much! Our aim is to see them come racing into school more worried about what treat they will have for breakfast that day, than which test they are having.

For those Year 6 parents who missed the meeting, we will put the presentation on the website but here is the timetable for the week. Please note that when they are not taking a test, they will be having fun 'helping' in Early Years or enjoying some time outside.

Year 6 SATs Timetable

Monday – Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar Test

Tuesday – Reading Test

Wednesday – Arithmetic and Maths Reasoning Paper 1

Thursday – Maths Reasoning Paper 2

Year 2 Statutory Tests

Our Year 2 children also have their statutory tests during May. However, we do not and will not be talking to them about these as we just do them as part of a 'normal' school day. They will know them as 'quizzes' and we will never refer to them as a test to the children. They have to do these to support our teacher assessment and are a government requirement. We will be asking children to complete these in small groups at different times during May and they will not be aware that they have done one. Therefore, we ask parents not to talk to them about 'tests' but we felt it was important that you are aware of them taking place.

Year 1 Phonics Screening and Year 4 Multiplication Test

These children will be taking these during the first half of June, after half term and again, it is essential that children are in school for these. They are just part of a normal day with our Year 1 children and again, they will be oblivious to having taken them. Packs are being sent home with the children for them to practise over the coming weeks so please give these a go and have some fun with your children at the same time!

Year 4 have been doing some practice tests in small groups and they too will just take these in small groups.

All test results will be reported to parents with the end of year reports.



History Hero Day



Do you have a famous character from the past that you really admire?

In our history lessons, we often find out about significant dates and important events, but what about the people who have changed the world throughout history that were just normal people like you or me?

Well, on Wednesday 18th May, we are going to celebrate each and every one of them. All you have to do is choose your favourite character from history and come to school dressed as that person. You will also need to know roughly when that person was alive because we are going to create a 'Whole School Historical Time-line' by ordering our characters chronologically.

So get your thinking caps on and let's all be a History Hero for the day!



School Office Information



If your child attends any wrap around care clubs held in school and you would like to continue to access them in the summer term, any outstanding amounts must be settled by Monday 3rd May 2022. Please also make sure that if you want your child to go to the wrap around care you book on in advance, either via ParentPay or through the school office. Thank you.

We would also like to politely remind you that all dinner money accounts must be kept up to date and ideally at least one week in advance in credit. If you would like to make any changes to your child's menu, we also ask for at least one week's notice. Thank you.

If you are a parent of a new starter with us, your ParentPay login will be provided once your child has started with us. This may take up to 3 days from their start date. However, please be assured that this does not impact their meals or attendance at any wrap around care clubs. If after 7 days you have not received the information, please contact the school office.



Sports Days



These are going to take a slightly different format to previous years. In the mornings, we will be holding House Team Games and this will be followed in the afternoons with the traditional Sports Days with a carousel of activities for all children including the competitive races too. Parents will be warmly welcomed to watch the Sports Days in the afternoons but the House Games in the morning will just be completed ourselves.

Tuesday 24th May – Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Sports Day

All children will be grouped into teams across the year groups for the morning and the children will compete in different team games in their four houses.

The official Sports Day will begin at 1.30pm on Tuesday Afternoon. Parents are welcome to come and watch and entry will be through the gate at the side of the MUGA.

Wednesday 25th May – Years 3 – 6 Sports Day

Again, children across Key Stage 2 will be competing in a variety of team games in their four houses. Their official Sports Day will begin at 1.30pm on Wednesday afternoon. Parents are once again, welcome to come and watch with entry also through the gate at the side of the MUGA.



Queens' Platinum Jubilee Celebrations



During the final two weeks of this half-term, we will be celebrating the Queens' Platinum Jubilee with a number of different classroom-based activities. On Wednesday 25th May, from 3:30pm, we will be hosting a very special Garden Party for the occasion. More information, including how to get tickets (which are limited!) is included as a separate attachment to this newsletter. We really think that it is a wonderful chance to not only celebrate her Majesty's milestone, but to have another successful community event; hopefully in the sunshine! We look forward to seeing you there!

On Sunday 5th June, there is also a large community picnic is being organised which is going to take place in our school grounds. This is not organised by the school, but obviously families will be more than welcome to take part. We expect to have more information sent to school in the coming weeks.



Summer Fair



We will be holding our Summer Fair on Saturday 16th July from 11am until 1pm. This will be a traditional fair like we have had in the past with a mixture of stalls, rides, hot dogs, games and refreshments. This has always been a really enjoyable couple of hours which has always been exceptionally well-supported. Let's hope we have some good weather that day so that we can finish the year in true style!



LJG Coaching Holiday Club



Mr Graham's Holiday Camp will take place from Monday 30th May until Wednesday 1st June 2022 for the first three days of Whit Week. He was fully booked for 2 days in the Easter holidays so early booking is advisable. If you would like to book, please email: lewisgraham91@hotmail.co.uk or fill in [this online form](#). This is open for all children aged between 4 – 11 years old. You can book your child in for the full day (8am – 5pm) or half days (8am – 1pm or 1pm – 5pm).



Fun and Fitness Week



The final week of this half term is going to be an action-packed week for the whole school. We have so many different events planned that you will have to refer to the diary dates and the information below! We are going to celebrate Fun, Fitness and the Jubilee in the same week as hosting our Garden Party and Sports Days.

Monday 23rd May - the children will be taking part in a carousel of activities during the day including: Skip2bFit, Lanchester Cricket Club, 100ft Inflatable Assault Course, AE Sports Coaching and a Dance Workshop with our very own Mrs Bailey.

Tuesday 24th May – Reception, Year 1 and Years 2 House Games and Sports Day with Year 6 helping.

Tuesday 24th May – Nursery Trip to Hall Hill Farm.

Tuesday 24th May – Year 5 Cycle Ride along the Old Railway Line. [Please fill in the consent form for your child to take part](#). Parents are welcome to join us on the bike ride too but please fill in the [online volunteer form](#) if you would like to assist with this event. Please note that any children and adults taking part in the bike ride MUST wear a helmet. Anyone without a helmet will not be able to take part in the ride.

Wednesday 25th May – Years 3 – 6 House Games and Sports Day.

Thursday 26th May – Wheels Day for the Whole School.

Thursday 26th May – Year 6 Cycle Ride along the Old Railway Line. For the Year 6 bike ride, [please fill in the consent form for your child to take part](#). Again, parents and carers are welcome to join us for this event. Please let the School Office [online volunteer form](#) and again, all children and adults MUST wear a helmet.

Thursday 26th May – Nursery Trip to Hall Hill Farm.

During the week when the children are not participating in sporting events, they will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a variety of work and activities taking place in the classroom. However, if they are also able to incorporate some red, white and blue colours, this would be perfect.

Please note – all children are encouraged to come to school in their sports gear for the whole week as they will be participating in sports events every day. This includes children in Nursery and Reception.



Year 4 Trip – Tuesday 3rd May 2022



Our year 4 children are going on a trip to Consett as part of their 'Mighty Metals' topic on Tuesday 3rd May. They will be given a tour of the old steel works site and learn more about why this was so important for the local area. This will only be for half a day and they will be having their usual lunch in school.



Reception Trip – Thursday 5th May 2022



Reception are really looking forward to their trip to Northumberland College Zoo next week. On this trip the children will be learning about baby animals and what they need to grow and the visit will also include a handling session in the reptile room. If you would prefer your child not to handle the reptiles, please let the school office know by Wednesday 4th May. The children will need to wear normal uniform and will require a packed lunch and drink. We are sure they will have a fantastic time.



Year 1 Trip - Thursday 19th May 2022



Year 1 will be going on a visit to Newcastle Quayside as part of their work on 'Bright Lights, Big City'. A letter will be sent to all Year 1 parents next week with more details about the visit.



Nursery Trip – 24th or 26th May



Our Nursery children will be visiting Hall Hill Farm on Tuesday 24th and Thursday 26th of May as part of school's Fun and Fitness Week. We would like to invite 10 parent volunteers for each trip to come along with us on the coach. If we have more than 10 parent volunteers, we will draw names out of a hat, but parents will be more than welcome to join us at the farm if they would like to. There will be an email sent out to parents to confirm which day your child will be going and the itinerary of the day closer to the time. This trip is only for the children who have been with us since September (the January intake and March intake of children will have the opportunity to go next year).



The Big Breaktime



On Friday 10th June all classes from Reception to Year 6 will enjoy 'The Big Breaktime' which is an hour of play for staff and children to enjoy while raising money for NSPCC and Henry Dancer Days. If the weather is good, staff and children will be playing outside together in a variety of ball games and other games chosen by the children. If it is wet, we will all be playing a variety of board games with the children for an hour.

Play is very important for our children and it is so important to model play to the children. This will be an invaluable hour for us all whilst also raising money for two very good causes.



Earth Day



Eco Rangers organised Earth Day in school which involved switching off all electrical appliances for one afternoon. They made attractive posters to put around school to promote this event. The week before, they carried out an audit in every area of school, to see where we can save energy. As a result of this, we are going to ensure that interactive whiteboards are switched off when not in use and lights are turned off in empty classrooms and areas.



Year 6 Leavers' Events



A letter will be sent to all Year 6 parents and carers about the lovely events that we have planned for them during their final term with us. Please make a note of all the dates as there will be a lot going on for them all! The most important thing in their eyes is ordering their leavers' hoodies so please make sure this is received in good time (the children have already tried on the samples in school, so we have the details of the sizes that need to be ordered).



Erasmus+ Visits



This week has been the final visit of this academic year. We have had 7 Erasmus Visits this year which has been quite challenging staffing wise, especially due to the number of absences we have had due to Covid, but obviously it is due to none taking place over the last two years. Visits to Poland, Portugal, Germany, Denmark, Madrid and two to ourselves has made for a very busy but exciting year. Thankfully, these have now all finished until next academic year.

These visits are a mixture of teacher-training events and student mobilities. The staff who have had the opportunity to go on these visits gain so much from them, return to school with renewed enthusiasm and ideas as they are an invaluable form of CPD. The children who have been on the visits gain so much confidence, resilience and cultural awareness – visiting schools in a different country, gaining friendships and seeing 'real life' away from the tourist areas.

This week has brought our project about 'Learning Outdoors, Learning for Life' to a close. It has been amazing to glean so many new ideas and initiatives and I have been asked to speak at a conference next month about our experiences from this.

Next year we will, once again, have a number of visits as we will be in our final year for our 'Happy Mind, Happy Life' and 'European Tunes for Peer Bullying' projects. Visits to Latvia, Hungary, Turkey, Greece, Brussels and Spain will once again mean that we have another very busy year. Children from Year 5 & 6 will

have the opportunity to travel again.

Our first visit is in October to Latvia and letters will be sent to Year 5 in the next week to see which parents are interested in their children travelling to our partner school there.

These are opportunities that children (and staff) may never have again as once these two projects finish in summer 2023, we are unable to apply for anymore due to Brexit. We have been involved in these every single year since 2010 so it really is a huge shame.

Special Educational Needs Information



Speech and Language Support for Parents



Tiny Happy People is there to help you develop your child's communication skills.

Explore their simple activities and play ideas and find out about your child's amazing early development.

Simple, fun, free activities to try at home: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people>

Proprioceptive Activities

Many children in school are working on developing their proprioception skills. Proprioception is feedback from our muscles and joints. It helps children know where their bodies are in space and how much force is required to complete a task, e.g. whether they walk gently or by stomping. Children may seek out proprioceptive sensory input in order to enable them to feel calm and emotionally regulated. The picture below has some excellent ideas to help children with developing their proprioceptive skills:

Kids Master Skills

Ways to Provide PROPRIOCEPTIVE Activities at Home

- RESISTANCE WORK!**
 - Push chair, table, or heavy box
 - Pull wagon; Jump on bed; Hang from bars
 - Sweep floor; Wipe counter;
 - Push feet on theraband on legs of desk
 - Pull on a rope tied to a doorknob or tree
- CARRY & CLIMB!**
 - Carry books; Carry backpack; Stack chairs
 - Toss, roll, carry, and catch a weighted ball
 - Wear wrist and ankle weights
 - Rearrange a shelf of cans and boxes
 - Climb on outdoor play equipment
- ANIMAL WALKS!**
 - Slither like a snake; Slide like a worm
 - Creep like a spider; Crawl like an ant
 - Bear walk with hands and feet on floor
 - Cat walk and arch your back
 - Pony gallop on hands and feet
- MUSCLE WORKOUT!**
 - Knee push-ups; Wall push-ups; Chair push-ups; Planks; Long jumps
 - Play tug of war; Commando crawl
 - Crawling/Creeping obstacle course
 - Wheelbarrow walk; Yoga poses
- ORAL MOTOR INPUT!**
 - Chewy jewelry; Vibrating oral toys
 - Suck a candy; Drink from a straw; Chew gum
 - Drink from water bottle; Eat crunchy foods
 - Blow bubbles; Blow a whistle; Blow pompoms across a table; Blow into pop tubes/straws
- SQUISH AND BE SQUISHED!**
 - Give and get bear hugs and massage
 - Squish between cushions; Roll in blankets
 - Stress ball; Playdoh; Theraputty
 - Weighted lap pad/vest; Compression garments
 - Squish under therapy ball; Joint compressions

Dr. Lisa Marnell, Occupational Therapist

www.KidsMasterSkills.com

Football Leagues – Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 11th May



Some of the Year 5 & 6 girls have been chosen to represent the school football team on Tuesday 3rd May. The game will be held at Greenland after school. A separate letter has been sent to those children involved. We wish them the best of luck and are sure they will do us proud as usual.



The boys will be in action on Wednesday 11th May at Greenland Community Primary School. Once again, the

children involved will receive a letter about this closer to the time.

Birchwood School Visiting



We are delighted to be able to welcome the whole Year 5 cohort from our partner school in Tamworth next week. During their time here they will visit the Angel of the North, Durham Cathedral and Newcastle Quayside. They have 5* luxury accommodation on our school floor too! Lucky them!

Early Years News



Welcome to our new starters in Nursery. We hope that your children have settled in and that this is the start of a long and happy school career at Lanchester EP.

From next week, the pick-up in Nursery will be on the Nursery yard, through the gate at the side. There will be staff outside to escort new parents who may be unsure where to go. Thank you.

Please see the sections above for more information about the trips planned for Reception and Nursery this term to Northumberland College Zoo (Reception) and Hall Hill Farm (Nursery).

Keep an eye out in future newsletters for details of our annual EYFS trip to Roker Beach at the start of July. This is a family trip for Nursery and Reception, and is always a memorable day out! We will let you know as soon as we have our dates set for this.

We will be holding a Nursery Open Morning on Saturday 25th June from 10.00am – 12.00pm for potential new starters to Nursery and their families. Current Nursery children are most welcome to attend to show their families around and be ambassadors for our lovely school! It is a great opportunity for families to see the learning environment. We look forward to welcoming you!

Please see the information below about our planned Stay & Play sessions for Reception. Nursery families will be invited in for an end of year celebration with their child's group at some point during the last two weeks of the summer term. We will let you know the dates for this as soon as they are finalised.



Reception Stay & Play – Tuesday 5th & Thursday 7th July 1.30 – 2.45pm



Following the success of our Stay and Play sessions last term, we would like to invite Reception parents to another session in the summer term. We will run two sessions on Tuesday 5th and Thursday 7th July from 1:30 to 2:45 in the afternoons. Parents and carers from both classes are welcome to attend either session. We will send out further details and a booking form closer to the time but wanted to give you plenty of notice to allow you to plan for this if you would like to attend.

School Council



The School Council is finally managing to meet face to face on a regular basis, now that school is returning to some sense of normality following the Covid restrictions.

They are currently working hard to improve the environment around school and improve the resources that we have in our playground. They recently took some time to have a look around the building to see what could be improved quickly. The children led a whole school assembly to share their findings and their thoughts on litter in the playground and the importance of keeping the sinks in the cloakrooms tidy.

We are also looking at areas to improve in the playground and the School Council are playing a key role in this. They have worked with their classes to talk about what equipment they would like in the playground. Ideas so far have included, a new trim trail, large games and even a swimming pool! We will keep you updated with our future developments.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Please see the table below for the list of extra-curricular activities we will be offering this half term, starting from *Tuesday 3rd May and finishing Friday 20th May*. **Please note, clubs will NOT be running during the last week of term.**

If you have applied for a place on one of these clubs, the office will be in touch with you on Friday afternoon to let you know if they have been successful.

Year Group	Extra-Curricular Activity	Activity Leader	Day	Maximum Number	Finish Time
Year 1	Multi Sports	Mr Graham	Wednesday	16	4.15pm
Year 4	Art	Miss Jackson	Wednesday	16	4.15pm
Upper Key Stage 2	Fairtrade Steering Group	Mrs Moran	Wednesday	<i>Existing Members Only</i>	4.15pm
Year 6	Booster	Mr Knighton & Mr Stoker	Wednesday 4 th May ONLY	<i>All Year 6</i>	4.15pm
Reception	Singing & Music Making	Mr McLoughlin	Thursday	20	4.15pm
Year 3	Lego	Mrs Coyle	Thursday	20	4.15pm
Year 5	Time Travellers	Mrs Grayson	Thursday	16	4.15pm
Year 2	Multi Sports	Mr Graham	Friday	16	4.15pm



School Walk – September



As you know, in the past we have had a school walk in Northumberland every summer for children from Y1 to Y6. This year, due to Covid, it took place in September.

As a result of this being so successful, we have decided to keep the walk in September to allow classes to start the year with a lovely event to bond with their class teacher. It also helps to spread the visits out across the year more evenly.

School Holidays – Academic Year 2021 – 2022

Holiday	Closing Date	Date re-open for teaching purposes
May Day	Friday 29 th April 2022	Tuesday 3 rd May 2022
Summer Half Term	Thursday 26 th May 2022	Wednesday 8th June 2022
Summer Holiday	Thursday 21 st July 2022	Tuesday 6 th September 2022

School Holidays – Academic Year 2022 – 2023

Holiday	Closing Date	Date re-open for teaching purposes
School Year Begins		Tuesday 6 th September 2022
October Half Term	Friday 21 st October 2022	Monday 31 st October 2022
Staff Training Day	Friday 25 th November 2022	Tuesday 29 th November 2022
Christmas Holiday	Tuesday 20 th December 2022	Wednesday 4 th January 2023
February Half Term	Friday 17 th February 2023	Monday 27 th February 2023
Easter Holiday	Friday 31 st March 2023	Monday 17 th April 2023
May Day	Friday 28 th April 2023	Tuesday 2 nd May 2023
Summer Half Term	Thursday 25 th May 2023	Tuesday 6 th June 2023
Summer Holiday	Friday 21 st July 2021	Tuesday 5 th September 2023

Important Dates for 2021 - 2022

KS1 Statutory Assessment Tests - May 2022

KS2 Statutory Assessment Tests - Week Beginning Monday 9th May 2022

Year 1 & Year 2 Phonics Screening Check - Week Beginning Wednesday 8th June 2022

Year 4 Multiplication Test - Week Beginning Wednesday 8th & 13th June 2022

DIARY DATES		
<i>Monday 2nd May 2022</i>	<i>All Day</i>	<i>School Closed for May Day Bank Holiday</i>
Tuesday 3 rd May 2022	All Day	Captain Chemistry in School
Tuesday 3 rd May 2022	Morning	Year 4 in Consett for History Walk and Tour
Tuesday 3 rd May 2022	4pm – 5pm	Girls Football Tournament at Greenland School
Wednesday 4 th May 2022	All Day	Captain Chemistry in School
Thursday 5 th May 2022	All Day	Reception Trip to Northumberland Zoo
Thursday 5 th May 2022	Overnight	Birchwood Primary School Staying Overnight in School
Week Beg. Monday 9 th May 2022	All Week	Year 6 Statutory Tests
Week Beg. Monday 9 th May 2022	All Week	Year 6 Breakfast daily at 8.15am in Classrooms
Wednesday 11 th May 2022	4pm – 5pm	Year 5 Boys Football Tournament at Greenland School
Thursday 12 th May 2022	2.30pm	Year 4 Ukulele Concert in Junior Hall
Friday 13 th May 2022	12.30pm	Year 6 Celebratory Lunch
Week Beg. Monday 16 th May 2022	All Week	History Week – including Platinum Jubilee Celebration
Monday 16 th May 2022	All Day	Baltic Art Bus in School
Monday 16 th May 2022	3.30pm-6pm	Parents' Evening
Tuesday 17 th May 2022	All Day	Baltic Art Bus in School
Wednesday 18 th May 2022	All Day	Historical Hero Dress Up Day
Wednesday 18 th May 2022	3.30pm-6pm	Parents' Evening
Thursday 19 th May 2022	All Day	Year 1 in Newcastle for Visit
Thursday 19 th May 2022	All Day	Year 6 at The Forbidden Corner
Friday 20 th May 2022	All Day	Year 4 Robot Day

Week Beg. Monday 23 rd May 2022	All Week	Fun, Fitness & Jubilee Week
Monday 23 rd May 2022	All Day	Skip2Bfit, Inflatable Assault Course, AE Coaching, Lanchester Cricket Club & Dance Class
Tuesday 24 th May 2022	Morning	Nursery Visit to Hall Hill Farm
Tuesday 24 th May 2022	Morning	Reception, Yr1 & Yr2 House Games
Tuesday 24 th May 2022	1.30pm	Reception, Yr1 & Yr2 Sports Day
Tuesday 24 th May 2022	All Day	Year 5 Cycle Ride along Lanchester Valley Railway Line
Wednesday 25 th May 2022	Morning	KS2 (Year 3 – 6) House Games
Wednesday 25 th May 2022	1.30pm	KS2 (Year 3 – 6) Sports Day
Wednesday 25 th May 2022	3.30pm	Garden Party for Parents and Children
Thursday 26 th May 2022	All Day	Wheels Day for Whole School
Thursday 26 th May 2022	Morning	Nursery Visit to Hall Hill Farm
Thursday 26 th May 2022	All Day	Year 6 Cycle Ride along Lanchester Valley Railway Line
Thursday 26 th May 2022	5.15pm	School Closes for Half-Term Break
<i>LJG Holiday Club on Monday 30th May – Wednesday 1st June</i>		
Wednesday 8 th June 2022	7.30am	School Re-Opens for Summer 2 Half Term
Thursday 9 th June 2022	10.30am	Year 6 Leavers' Service in Durham Cathedral
Friday 10 th June 2022	Afternoon	Year 5 & 6 Netball Tournament
Monday 13 th June 2022	All Day	Captain Chemistry in School
Tuesday 14 th June 2022	All Day	Captain Chemistry in School
Tuesday 14 th June 2022	6pm	Reception New Starters' Meeting in School
Wednesday 15 th June 2022	All Day	Class Photographs and Leavers' Photographs
Thursday 16 th June 2022	All Day	Year 6 Inter-Primary Sports Day
Week Beg. Monday 20 th June 2022	All Week	Year 6 Residential to Northern Ireland
Friday 24 th June 2022	Morning	French Theatre Group in School for Years 4 & 5
Saturday 25 th June 2022	10 – 12am	Nursery Open Morning
Sunday 26 th –Wednesday 29 th June 2022	4 Days	Year 5 Residential to PGL, Ford Castle
Tuesday 28 th June 2022	All Day	Year 6 at Consett Academy – Transition Day
Wednesday 29 th June 2022	All Day	Year 6 at Consett Academy – Transition Day
Thursday 30 th June 2022	All Day	Year 6 at Consett Academy – Transition Day
Friday 1 st July 2022	All Day	Year 1 at Raby Castle
Wednesday 6 th July 2022	All Day	Nursery Sports Day and Graduation
Monday 11 th July 2022	All Day	Year 3 & 4 Mixed Cricket Tournament
Wednesday 13 th July 2022	6pm	Musical at Consett Empire
Thursday 14 th July 2022	6pm	Musical at Consett Empire
Saturday 16 th July 2022	11am-1pm	Summer Fair in School Grounds
Monday 18 th July 2022	6.30pm	Year 6 Sleep Over in School
Wednesday 20 th July 2022	1 pm	Year 6 Leavers' Service
Thursday 21 st July 2022	10am	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
Thursday 21 st July 2022	5.15pm	School Closes for Summer Holiday
<i>LJG Holiday Club on Friday 22nd July and Weeks Beginning 25th July and 1st August</i>		