

# Newsletter Spring 2 2023

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome back to the second half of the spring term. I hope that you and your families have had a restful break.

This is a short half-term but we still have lots happening in school, including opportunities welcoming parents into school.

Please familiarise yourself with some reminders below and also some important dates for the term in the attached calendar.

#### **Annual Parent Survey**

Attached is a link to our annual parent/carer survey - please spend some time over the next week completing this as your responses and views will help us to develop and move the school forward. Results, once populated will be published on our school website.

#### https://forms.gle/2yC8BFvexEST5rjE7

Thank you in advance for your support.

#### **Important SATs dates**

Year 2 will be completing their SATs in small groups throughout the month of May. These are marked by our school staff and are used to help inform the teacher's end of Key Stage One assessment.

Year 6 SATs take place from Tuesday 9th - Friday 12th May. These are externally marked and school will receive their results in early July. Results will be shared with parents within the children's annual reports.

#### **Parent's Evenings**

Parent's evenings are scheduled for the week beginning 6th March. You will receive your child's spring report by Friday 3rd March and parent's evening is an opportunity to discuss progress so far, next steps and targets. Please ensue you sign up to a suitable time using the online link which will be sent via ParentPay later this week.

## **Parking - Local Residents and Yellow Lines**

Please continue to be mindful of our local residents when parking outside school and **remember the yellow lines should not be parked on at any times**. Despite numerous communications and reminders from school, it is disappointing that these issues are still ongoing.

We need to rely on parents/carers to help keep all our children safe outside of our school.

#### **Times Tables Rock Stars**

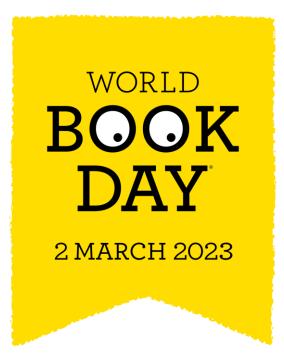


Times Table Rock Stars is an amazing online tool to help children learn and practise their times tables. In Key Stage 2, by the end of Year 4, all children are expected to confidently know all of their tables and sit a Multiplication Tables Check.

All children in school have an individual account and teachers can track how often children are logging on to their accounts. Children in Key stage 2 should be logging in and spending some time on this each week as part of their weekly homework tasks but it is very disappointing to see that very few children are practising regularly when this is such an important skill for children to have. Knowing their multiplications supports all other areas of the maths curriculum resulting in increased confidence in learning.

Please encourage your child to access and practise these regularly (even as little as 5 minutes a day), it really does make a difference.

#### World Book Day



We will be taking part in World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March.

## **Northumberland Early Help**



Early Help is offered everyday by communities, volunteers, charities, children centres, Early Help family workers schools and universal and tiered health services.

Early Help is about working with children, young people and their families who would like support. No one ever "has to have" Early Help. Early Help is there to support families at the right time, by the right person and in the right way. It is a consent-based service which involves the whole family and their Networks to come up with solutions to any difficulties or challenges experienced at the time. <u>There is a Early Help leaflet online, click here if you would like to read it</u>.

In Northumberland there is a way to request a co-ordination team look at what support your child might be able to access – <u>you can refer to this service if your children does not have an allocated</u> worker (Social Worker or Early Help Family Worker) by filling in this form.

You can also access support from your local Early Help Team for more information Early Help Local Support, to find them click here.

If you would want more information click here.

### School Calendar for Spring 2 Term 2022

Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	Return to school
Monday 27th February 2023	Book fayre
Monday 27th February 2023	Year 3/4 virtual author visit – Peter Bell
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	Book fayre
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	Year 1/2 virtual author visit – Serena Patel
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2023	World Book Day
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2023	Year 5/6 virtual author visit – Helena Duggan
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2023	Spring reports to parents
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2023	House winner's non-uniform day
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2023	Year 6 Forest school
Monday 6th March 2023	Parent's evening
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Parent's evening
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Reception vision screening
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Parent's evening
Wednesday 8th March 2023	Years 1/2 STEM workshop
Wednesday 8th March 2023	International Woman's Day
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Year 5 Forest school AM
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Year 4 Forest school PM
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2023–	Science week
Friday 17th March 2023	
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Possible strike action
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Possible strike action
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Red Nose Day
Friday 17th March 2023	Year 3 Forest School AM
Friday 17th March 2023	Year 2 Forest School PM
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Easter Egg Competition/ Easter Raffle
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Year 1 Forest School
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Year 5 and 6 Easter craft/ Parent afternoon
Tuesday 28th March 2023	Nursery and Reception Easter craft/ Parent afternoon
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Year 1 and 2 Easter craft/ Parent afternoon
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Year 3 and 4 Easter craft/ Parent afternoon
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	Reception Forest School
Friday 31st March 2023	School finishes for Easter break at 3.15pm

## **TERM DATES 2022/2023**

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TEACHER TRAINING DAY	MONDAY 5 SEPTEMBER 2022							
Summer 2022	Thursday 21 July 2022	Tuesday 6 September 2022						
October Mid Term 2022	Friday 21 October 2022	Monday 31 October 2022						
TEACHER TRAINING DAY	Monday 9 JANUARY 2023							
Christmas/New Year 22/23	Friday 23 December 2022	Tuesday 10 January 2023						
TEACHER TRAINING DAY	FRIDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2023							
Spring Mid Term 2023	Friday 17 February 2023	Monday 27 February 2023						
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Easter 2023	Friday 31 March 2023	Tuesday 18 April 2023						
MAY DAY	MONDAY 1 MAY 2023							
TEACHER TRAINING DAY	FRIDAY 26 MAY 2023							
Summer Mid Term 2023	Thursday 25 May 2023	Monday 5 June 2023						
Summer 2023	Friday 21 July 2023	Monday 4 September 2023						

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## WhatsApp



Unlike most other social media sites which have age restrictions starting at 13, WhatsApp age restriction is 16.

Please use this link to access advice from Internet Matters.

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