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Welcome back to Autumn 2 Term. I hope the children enjoyed their Autumn break.

Last half term was very busy and we were very impressed at how quickly and maturely the children settled into their new classes and continue to model our school RESPECT values around school. Each class fit so much into the first few weeks and it was lovely to see the children fully engaged, confident and thoroughly enjoying their learning experiences.

We are very excited to get started this half-term with lots of fun things planned in the lead up to Christmas - it is set to be a very busy one. Please familiarise yourself with some reminders below and also some important dates in the attached calendar. **We will always try to remind you of upcoming events but as this is a very busy half term, this might not always be possible - please make a note of any dates relevant to your child.**

Thank you

Breakfast Club / Afterschool Club Bookings



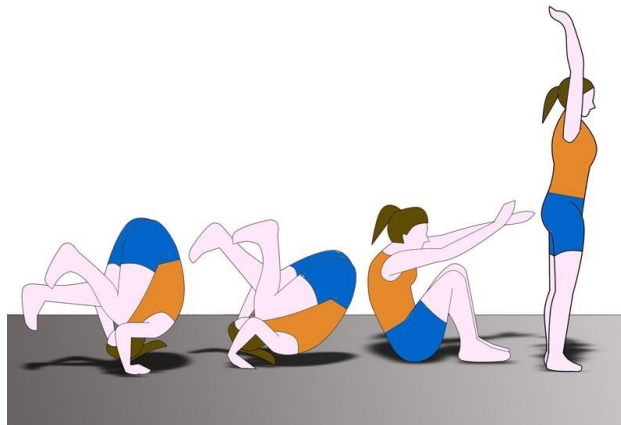
Any sessions for Breakfast Club or Afterschool Club **must** be booked and paid for at least 48 hours in advance via ParentPay. These clubs are becoming very busy and therefore any last minute bookings might not be possible due to staffing ratio requirements.

School Dinner Orders



A reminder that School dinners must be ordered a week in advance by the **Thursday** each week. If you do not select choices for your children by the Thursday, your child will automatically be given the hot option each day.

PE - Gymnastics



Children in Years 1 to Year 6 will be taking part in gymnastics as their PE unit this half term. For safety reasons the children will work in bare feet.

Earrings cannot be worn for any gymnastic activities - they must be **fully removed** and cannot be taped over. Please remove these before school or ensure your child is able to take out their own earrings prior to their lesson.

This has come from the following information:

The National guidance has always been that no jewellery should be worn in PE and that includes swimming and physical activity. It is also not safe to cover ear-rings / studs / sleepers with tape. The reason is both because of the potential tearing of the ear lobe, but also the very slim chance that the post of the ear-ring could damage the neck which is where the brachial nerve is running directly to the brain. There are anecdotal cases of children wearing ear-rings / studs

with plasters over being hit by a ball or coming off worse in a collision and having nasty injuries as a consequence. Therefore we cannot allow any jewellery to be worn during PE lessons.

Children should come to school on their PE day in PE uniform. As per our [School Uniform Policy](#), this must be a **plain** white t-shirt, black shorts, leggings or jogging bottoms and plain black trainers. Children can also wear a black hoody (optional) or their school jumper/cardigan.

Long hair must also be tied back.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Anti-Bullying Week - Odd Socks Day 2025

Next week is Anti-Bullying Week. The theme for this year is 'Power for Good'. As part of this, we will be participating in Odd Socks Day on Monday 10th November to celebrate what makes us all unique!



Careers Education

This year, we are fortunate to be collaborating with the North East Ambition Primary Careers team to weave primary careers education throughout the entire curriculum and all key stages. We're excited to utilise local and regional links whenever possible. Already, we've established numerous connections and have many projects and events planned for our children this year. Keep an eye on Class Dojo pages for updates on the projects the children have been involved in, as well as any ways you can support us in developing our careers education and raising the children's aspirations.



Parking - Local Residents and Yellow Lines



We continue to receive a large amount of concerns from our local residents about the parking outside of school and along Ringway. This included blocking full and part driveways, double parking and parents being rude when challenged about this.

Despite numerous communications and reminders from school, it is disappointing that that these issues are still ongoing.

EVERY DAY there continues to be parents parking on the yellow lines outside of school that are there for the safety of our children arriving to and leaving school. **The yellow lines should not be parked on at any time before, after or during the school day.**

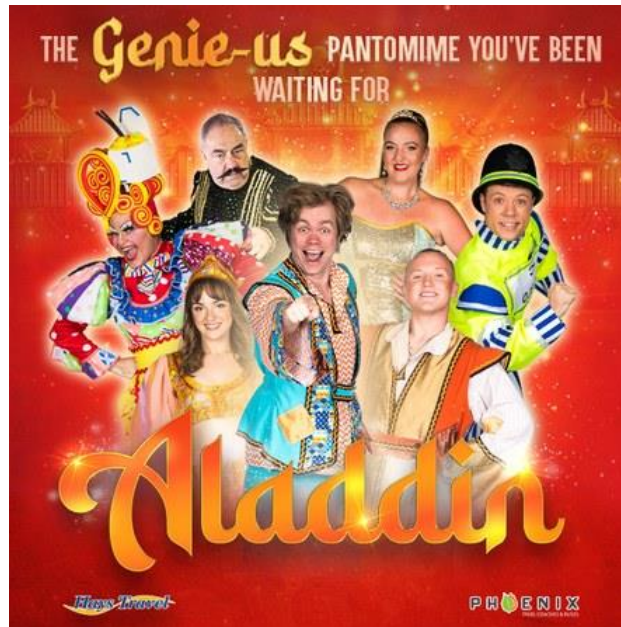
Our school curriculum teaches children about the importance of following rules and laws and about being mindful, respectful citizens. **We need our parents/carers to also support us in doing this.**

Christmas Trips

We have booked our annual pantomime visit for Year 1 - 6 and this year we will be visiting the Phoenix Theatre in Blyth to see Aladdin. Each class have also organised a Christmas visit. Our fundraising fund has been used to subsidise some of the transport costs for these visits but there is still some costs we need to rely on parents to cover.

We have set up ParentPay payment plans to allow parents to make payments from as little as £1 towards the balance of these trips and ask that you aim for the full balance be paid by the end of the half-term.

Please contact school if there any issues with this and we can arrange for the payment plan to be extended.



Forest School Sessions

Forest school sessions will continue this half-term for each class - please see calendar below for individual class dates. The sessions go ahead in all weathers, and as the weather will get colder over the term, please ensure children have appropriate warm, waterproof clothing and shoes. This half-term we suggest children have:

- A warm, waterproof coat.
- Wellies - we have a supply of these in school if your child does not have their own.
- A hat, scarf and gloves.
- Thick socks.
- A spare pair of socks.
- A spare set of clothes to change into after the session if needed.

Week	Forest school
1 Tuesday 4 th November	Year 6
2 Tuesday 11 th November	Year 5
3 Tuesday 18 th November	Year 1 and Year 2
4 Tuesday 25 th November	Year 3
5 Tuesday 2 nd December	Year 4
6 Tuesday 9 th December	Reception Nursery

Christmas Raffle Donations

On Friday 21st November, children are invited to wear non-uniform and we ask for a donation towards our Christmas raffle. This could be sweets, chocolates, alcohol, toys, toiletries, gift sets, books etc. We also welcome voucher donations from local businesses if you have any links to any businesses.

We will be having a Christmas Fayre/ Christmas shopping Evening on Thursday 27th November from 5pm-6.30pm. There will be stalls from different sellers as well as a raffle/ tombola and refreshments. We hope you can make it.



Children in Need

We will be supporting Children in Need on Friday 14th November. Children are welcome to come into school wearing full non uniform (something bright, wearing pyjamas or something Pudsey/Blush).

Thank you for your support.



Class Dojo Points Tuck Shop



This half-term, our School Council will be re-introducing their school tuck shop. Children will have the opportunity to visit the tuck shop once every half-term to spend the Class Dojo points they have earned the previous term. The tuck shop will consist of:

- Science activities.
- Small toys.
- Sweets.

New stock will be added each term. Children will be limited to purchasing one item of sweets per visit - please inform your child's class teacher if you wish for your child not to use any of their points on any sweets.

Online Safety Guides for Parents



We all have a part to play in keeping children safe online, please follow [this link](#) for online safety guides from the NSPCC.

New School Update



We're thrilled to report that work is well underway on the new build, and we are still on schedule to transition into our new facilities following the Easter Break in 2026! Staff members recently had a sneak peek of the new space, and are very excited to move over.

In the coming weeks, B&K will be visiting the school to engage with the children in some careers workshops, which we hope will spark plenty of creativity and inspiration. It's a fantastic opportunity for our students to explore different careers and skills and think about their future aspirations.

You may have noticed some changes around the Year 1/2 yard. B&K made a few adjustments to the hoarding boards, which has unfortunately led to a reduction in space and a bit of congestion during morning arrivals. To help with this, we've encouraged older children to line up a bit further away from their classroom doors to allow a clearer pathway for our younger children and parents. We also kindly ask that no ball games are played in this yard during the morning rush.

At the end of the school day, Year 6 dismiss from the main reception door to ease congestion through those narrow gates. Unfortunately, this isn't practical in the mornings with nursery children arriving. We appreciate your understanding during this period and thank you for your continued support!

School Calendar for Autumn 2 Term 2025

Monday 3 rd November	Children Return to School
Tuesday 4 th November	Year 6 Forest School
Friday 7 th November	House winners' non-uniform - Water House
Monday 10 th November	Anti-Bullying Week - Odd Socks Day
Tuesday 11 th November	Year 5 Forest School
Friday 14 th November	Children in Need
Tuesday 18 th November	Year 1 and Year 2 Forest School
Friday 21 st November	Non-Uniform Day - Fayre Donation
Tuesday 25 th November	Year 3 Forest School
Thursday 27 th November	Christmas Fayre Evening 5pm - 6.30pm
Monday 1 st December	Reception trip to The Rising Sun
Tuesday 2 nd December	Year 4 Forest School
Tuesday 2 nd December	Year 3 and Year 4 Film Evening
Wednesday 3 rd December	Year 3 and Year 4 Visit to Beamish
Wednesday 3 rd December	Year 1 and Year 2 Film Evening
Thursday 4 th December	Playgroup/ Nursery Tiddlywinks Session
Thursday 4 th December	Year 5 and Year 6 Film Evening
Friday 5 th December	Year 1 and Year 2 Visit to The Centre for Life
Monday 8 th December	Nursery/Reception Performance 9.30am
Monday 8 th December	Years 3 and 4 Performance 2pm
Tuesday 9 th December	Nursery and Reception Forest School
Tuesday 9 th December	Years 5 and 6 Performance 9.30am
Wednesday 10 th December	Years 1 and 2 Performance 9.30am
Thursday 11 th December	Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 11 th December	Year 5 and Year 6 Ice Skating at Centre for Life
Friday 12 th December	Year 1 - Year 6 visit to Pantomime
Monday 15 th December	Nursery/Reception Christmas Party (am) Years 3 and 4 Christmas Party (pm)
Tuesday 16 th December	Year 5 and 6 Film afternoon (pm)
Wednesday 17 th December	Years 1 and 2 Christmas Party (pm)
Thursday 18 th December	Christmas Dinner Day
Friday 19 th December	School finishes for Christmas break at 1.30pm

TERM DATES 2025/2026

RINGWAY PRIMARY SCHOOL HOLIDAY AND TERM DATES 2025/2026

HOLIDAY OR OCCASION OF CLOSURE	DATE ON WHICH SCHOOL WILL CLOSE	DATE ON WHICH SCHOOL WILL REASSEMBLE
TEACHER TRAINING DAY	MONDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2025	
Summer 2025	Friday 18 July 2025	Tuesday 2 September 2025
October Mid Term 2025	Friday 24 October 2025	Monday 3 November 2025
TEACHER TRAINING DAY	Monday 5 JANUARY 2026	
Christmas/New Year 25/26	Friday 19 December 2025	Tuesday 6 January 2026
TEACHER TRAINING DAY	FRIDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2026 * This falls within the holiday	
Spring Mid Term 2026	Friday 13 February 2026	Monday 23 February 2026
TEACHER TRAINING DAY	FRIDAY 17 April 2026 * This falls within the holiday MONDAY 20 April 2026	
Easter 2026	Thursday 2 April 2026	Tuesday 21 April 2026
MAY DAY	MONDAY 4 MAY 2026	
Summer Mid Term 2026	Friday 22 May 2026	Monday 1 June 2026
Summer 2026	Friday 17 July 2026	Wednesday 2 September 2026