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## Newsletter – June 2015

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Yellow Team Have Won!



All the teams have tried very hard this term but overall Yellow Team have won. This means that on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May they have earned non-uniform on the last day of half term.

### Changes to Swimming



After half term Year 3 will no longer go swimming as the sessions will be given to Year 6 pupils. This allows all our pupils in Year 6 to have refresher lessons prior to leaving us in July. Year 6 pupils need to ensure they have their swimming kits in each Monday.

### Class Assemblies for Reception and Year 1



Just a reminder that Reception class assembly is on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 9am. Next will be Year 1 class assembly on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June at 9am. We look forward to seeing parents/carers there.

### Summer Fair Donations



Preparations for our Summer Fair are well underway and it promises to be an excellent event on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June from 12 – 3pm. The Friends of Bournmoor have asked if pupils would like to donate toys, books etc that can be sold to raise funds for school. As a thank you for this Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June (the day we return after half term) will be non-uniform for all pupils. All they need to do is to bring in a donation and hand it to staff.

### Year 4/5 Orienteering




On Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May pupils in Year 4 and 5 worked with the Northern Navigators Orienteering Club to complete orienteering activities in school grounds. Pupils really enjoyed the chance to develop their skills; feedback from this was very positive.


### New Reception Pupils



We are pleased to welcome our new starters who will join us in Reception this September. To help the children settle in we offer 4 visits for pupils. Dates for these have been posted out to parents. In addition to this on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June parents/carers are invited in with their children all morning to meet staff and become familiar with our school. They have also been invited to stay and have lunch. We know our pupils will make them feel very welcome.

Show Racism the Red Card 

On Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May Year 5/6 will be working with representatives from the 'Show Racism the Red Card' initiative. This allows pupils to complete fun activities and workshops to promote tolerance and diversity which fits in with our 'Rights Respecting' ethos.

Family Learning with SAFC 

Sarah Leadbetter from the Stadium of Light Foundation began her Family Learning sessions on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May. She is combining fun activities with sport to allow children and parents/carers to work together. We are always keen to offer opportunities in school for families to work with us so if you have any suggestions of activities you would like please let us know.

School Council 

School Councillors met with Mrs Snowdon recently to put forward the suggestions pupils had given them for improvements in school. They were very well prepared for this meeting and had an agenda. Mrs Snowdon took their suggestions to staff, who were impressed by their professionalism, and we are working hard to implement their ideas. For example a disco has been booked, more books for school have been ordered, we will have an achievement assembly every Friday, a sports tournament will be organised across the school and cooking and art club will be ran by Mrs Stavers. The only suggestion that they agreed might not be suitable is having a school pet. They raised concerns over animal welfare and decided that, even though this suggestion from some pupils was valuable, it would be unfair. Many thanks to our excellent School Councillors.

**Dates for your diaries (please note further information will follow):**

- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – non uniform day for pupils
- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Mrs Val Scott in school talking to Year 6 parents
- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Dream Bicycle homework entries to be returned to school
- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Year 5/6 Killhope Lead Mine trip
- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – new Reception starter meeting for parents and children
- Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> and Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Dr Research Science Workshops across the school
- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June to Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June – Y5/6 pupils at Weardale House
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June – Northumbria Water workshops across the school
- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June – Year 1 trip to the Blue Reef Aquarium
- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June – Reception trip to Hall Hill Farm
- 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> June – Phonics tests for Year 1 pupils
- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June – Sports Day to be held in the morning
- Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June and Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July – year 5/6 Music Performance at Park View (pm)
- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July – transition day in school where pupils meet their next teacher
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July and Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Year 6 Park View Transition Days
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July and Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July – Parents' Evening
- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July – school disco for Infant in school and then Junior pupils after school
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leaver's Show (end of term)

**Half term holiday begins on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 3.30pm**

**School re-opens on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June at 9am**

Yours sincerely, Mrs L A Snowdon, Headteacher