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Newsletter - Friday 9th July 2021

Come on England! 🏴󠁧󠁢󠁥󠁮󠁧󠁿

If your child is a football fan and likely to be staying up until after 11pm on Sunday to watch the Final, then let them stay in bed a bit longer and get to school by 10am on Monday 12th July. We would rather have children rested and in school ready to learn rather than absent all day or grumpy!

School will open at your child's usual start time but children arriving up to 10am won't be marked as late or miss any lessons.

It's 55 years since England reached a major football final so let them watch, talk about the importance of the national anthem, talk about pride and resilience and possibly disappointment. This is a learning opportunity.

If England win, we will allow the children to wear red/white clothing, football shirts or sporty clothing on Monday. We hope you enjoy the game!

Summer holidays:

School closes at the end of the day on Friday 16th. July and the children return to school on Monday 6th September.

Reading Books:

We would appreciate it if all school reading books could be brought back into school on Monday. Please could Year 4 return their reading books on Tuesday 13th July. Many thanks.

September:

As you are aware the Government guidance is changing from 19th July however, we are continuing with the current start and end of day times and in school routines.

Year group	Start of day	End of day
Reception	8:50am	3:00pm
Year 1	9:00am	3:10pm
Year 2	8:50am	3:00pm
Year 3	8:55am	3:05pm
Year 4	8:50am	3:00pm
Year 5	9:00am	3:10pm
Year 6	8:50am	3:00pm

ALR Embroidery:

If you would like to order school uniform from ALR Embroidery, please ensure you do so by Monday 16th August to ensure your order will be ready for collection by Friday 3rd September. Thank you.

Road Safety:

We cannot emphasise enough how important it is that cars drive and park SAFELY. Please do not park across driveways. You must ensure you drive at a sensible speed and be vigilant as you are driving and parking so that



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you are always watching where children are walking. **Do NOT park in the bus lane. The safety of our children is paramount.**

Please continue to follow COVID-19 procedures:

As you will be aware, there has been a larger than expected increase in positive cases of Covid-19 in Darlington over the past week. We are seeing the greatest proportion of cases in children and young people of school/college age who have not been protected by the vaccination programme, and these rates are continuing to rise.

The main variant circulating nationally and locally is the Delta variant. The evidence is that this variant is very easily transmitted. This means that it spreads much more easily in families, friendship groups and in any other situation where people are mixing, both indoors and outdoors. This also means that the risk of transmission in school is increased.

It is important to reinforce to everyone that the more robust people are in following the control measures, all of the time, the better protection for everyone there is.

We would like to encourage everyone to continue to follow our procedures:

- Maintain social distancing within the school grounds.
- Adults to wear face coverings within the school grounds.
- Contact the school via telephone where possible to avoid any face to face discussions.
- Contact the school immediately if your child has any of the recognised symptoms and arrange for a test.
- Adhere to the allocated pick up and drop off times for your child's year group

Thank you for your continued support in helping keep our community as safe as we possibly can.

Safeguarding:

If you have any safeguarding concerns about any of our children, please contact Mrs Murray on 07469 402630