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Newsletter

Friday 21st April 2023

Welcome Back:

We hope that you have had a lovely Easter. It is lovely to see the children back in school.

Bank holidays:

Please note school will be closed on Monday 1st May and Monday 8th May as they are Bank Holidays.

GEMS Assembly:

The winning team for the weekly GEM Trophy was Ruby. Well done to everyone in Team Ruby!

Find out about our GEM procedures here: <https://whinfield.net/parents/gems/>

Football:

Year 5 and 6 girls played in the Darlington 5-a-side competition at the Dolphin Centre on Thursday night. They all showed great sportsmanship and resilience. Well done to everyone who played.

Netball:

Well done to the Y5 children who attending the Darlington Sports Partnerships Netball Development Festival yesterday, you showed excellent resilience throughout the day, in all of your games. Your netball skills developed immensely from game to game, and we are very proud of your achievements.

The Kings Coronation

The children will be participating in a variety of activities and celebrations across the week beginning 1st May-5th May.

On Friday 5th May the children will have the opportunity to dress up in the colours red, white or blue or perhaps something more regal like dressing as a King or Queen.

Strike days:

Following the letter sent regarding strike days please see details of closures below for Thursday 27th April. If your child is in school on that day, Afterschool childcare and activities will run as normal. If your child's class is closed, any childcare sessions will be cancelled, and a credit applied to your account.

Thursday 27th April

Year	Class	Open	Closed
Reception	RN - Miss Nixon	Open	
	RL - Miss Lindsay	Open	
Year 1	1D - Miss Dunn		Closed
	1HR - Mrs Hall/Mrs Rowney		Closed
Year 2	2A - Mrs Airey		Closed
	2G - Miss Graham		Closed



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	2M - Mrs Murphy	Open	
Year 3	3WH - Mrs Walker-Hodgson	Open	
	3D - Mr Douglas	Open	
	3B - Ms Bennett		Closed
Year 4	4S - Mrs Souter	Open.	
	4G - Mrs Golightly	Open	
	4L - Mr Legg	Open	
Year 5	5B - Mrs Bowe/Mrs Barker Jones	Open	
	5L - Mr Lines	Open	
	5H - Miss Holden	Open	
Year 6	6C - Mrs Close	Open	
	6W - Miss Watkins	Open	
	6AB - Mrs Boulton	Open	

Afterschool Activities:

Monday - Boys and Girls Football - Years 5 and 6 - 3:15pm - 4:30pm

Monday - Gardening club - Years 3 and 4. 3:15pm - 4:15pm

Thursday - 'Travels to the Far East' - Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 - 3:15pm to 4:15pm

Friday - Choir - Years 4, 5 and 6. 3:15pm - 4:15pm

You should now have booked your children's places for afterschool clubs; these activities will start week commencing 24th April 2023 and finish week commencing 15th May 2023.

Gardening Club and Year 5 and 6 football will finish on 22nd May as they will miss 2 sessions due to Bank holidays. Children need to be collected after the club by an adult from the Asda entrance. If your child is attending a sporting activity, please send them to school in their school PE kit (no football strips).

Important Dates for the Summer term 1:

Week commencing 1 st May	The Kings coronation
Monday 1 st May	School closed - Bank Holiday
Tuesday 2 nd May	Year 5 Educational visit - Ministry of Science Planned Strike Day - details will follow next week.
Monday 8 th May	School closed - Bank Holiday
Week commencing 8 th May	Year 6 SATS
Thursday 25 th May	Year 6 and Reception year group Photographs
Friday 26 th May	Reception visit to Hullabaloo
Friday 26 th May	School closes for May half term.