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Newsletter

Friday 26th May 2023

School closes today for May half term and will reopen Monday 5th June 2023

GEMS Assembly:

The winning team for the weekly GEM Trophy was **Sapphire**. Well done to everyone in Team **Sapphire**! Find out about our GEM procedures here: <https://whinfield.net/parents/gems/>

Roof Update:

Darlington Borough Council site office has been installed and works have begun with the old bike sheds being removed to make way for the temporary classrooms which will be delivered over the half term holidays. Installation will finish during the following week, then we should be able to access them for teaching purposes.

Tomorrow, Saturday 27th May will see the start of scaffolding being erected around Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 classes.

We will update you more once this is in place and deliveries begin for the actual works to start.

From Monday 5th June:

RL and RN will enter and exit through class 1D on the front of the school - this is the first door on the end of the building near Augusta Close. We will place signage outside to help you. The children will be taught in this classroom, the hall and outdoors.

1D will enter and exit to the ELSA room which is the KS1 classroom next to the entrance to the school office. The children will be taught in this classroom.

1HR will enter and exit school through the Main school entrance, until further notice. Please wait at the gates where the class teacher will meet you.

Boys Cricket Cup:

On Monday 22nd May, 10 Year 6 children attended the Darlington Cricket Cup at Darlington Cricket Club. The boys had a lovely time enjoying the sun and competing in 6 matches. The children won 3 games and lost the others in very close matches. Overall, the boys came 4th at the competition, Well done!

Harrowgate Hill football:

Thursday 18th May our boy and girls football teams played friendly football matches against Harrowgate Hill. Both teams played brilliantly, supporting one another from the sidelines. The girls played first and won the game 4-0 followed by the boys who won 5-0 - excellent results all round.

St George's League Match:

The girls team continued their league campaign against St George's at Eastbourne Sports Complex on Friday 19th May. This was a very closely contested game, with both teams having good chances throughout. The game ended 0-0, a fair result in the end, each team taking a point.



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Hurworth League Match:

The girls team played again in the league on Monday 22nd May at Hurworth Primary School. This was another close game with Whinfield scoring first. The girls played a wonderful match but near the end of the game Hurworth scored and the game ended 1-1. The girl's league has now finished with Whinfield 5 points. We wait to hear from the other schools in our league. If successful, Whinfield could advance to the Champions of Champions Cup.

PE Kit - Pupils will wear PE kit on the days they have PE:

Reminder that the PE uniform is Black shorts / jogging bottoms and red t-shirt (with or without school logo), plain Black or red hoodie (with or without school logo), trainers - **NOT FOOTBALL TRAINERS OR BOOTS.**

Afterschool Activities:

Thursday - Martial Arts - Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 - 3:15pm - 4:15pm.

Activities need to be booked through School Gateway. There are limited spaces available and are on a first come first served basis. **Activities will be available to book from 11:00am on Tuesday 6th June** via the School Gateway. You must select all sessions to secure your place.

Monday - Gardening club - Years 3 and 4. 3:15pm - 4:15pm to continue for the children that have been attending this term. This way they can enjoy watching their plants and flowers grow.

Wednesday - Year 3 Football - 3:15pm - 4:15pm to continue for the children that have been attending this term.

Friday - Choir - Years 4, 5 and 6. 3:15pm - 4:15pm to continue for the children that have been attending this term.

All afterschool activities will begin week commencing 12th June 2023

Important Dates for the Summer term 2:

WC 12 th June	Phonics screening checks - Year 1
Monday 12 th June	3D Educational visit Hardwick Park
Tuesday 13 th June	Year 4 Educational visit Housesteads Fort
Wednesday 14 th June	3WH Educational visit Hardwick Park
Monday 19 th June	3B Educational visit Hardwick Park
Thursday 22 nd June	Year 2 Educational visit to Salthome
Friday 23 rd June	Year 2 Educational visit to Saltholme
Monday 26 th June	Reception Sports Morning
Tuesday 27 th June	Year 1 Sports Morning
Wednesday 28 th June	Transition day
Thursday 29 th June	Transition day
Friday 30 th June	Year 3 Sports morning
Monday 3 rd July	Year 5 Sports morning
Tuesday 4 th July	Year 2 Sports morning



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Wednesday 5 th July	Year 4 Sports morning
Thursday 6 th July	Year 6 Sports morning
Thursday 6 th July	Non uniform day
Tuesday 11 th July	Parents drop in (to discuss reports)
Tuesday 18 th July	Year 6 leavers assembly (9:30am) and Hollywood Bash. (4:30pm - 6pm)
Wednesday 19 th July	Year 6 leavers treat in school (more information to follow)
Thursday 20 th July	School closes for Summer

