



(Article 10)



If you live in a different country than your parents do, you have the right to be together in the same place.

Friday Letter



10th January 2025

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Dates for the diary:

Break up for half term - Friday 21st February

Return to school - Monday 3rd March

School Lottery

To purchase tickets please follow the link below;

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/>

All money raised from tickets purchased will help to fundraise for our school. Tickets are £1 per ticket, per week and the more tickets purchased the higher the weekly prize is. There is a winner from our school every week!

Welcome Back

Welcome back and Happy New Year to you all.

Online Safety Newsletter

Please find attached our monthly online safety newsletter.

Year 5 - Bikeability

Children in year 5 will take part in a 4 day Bikeability course beginning Tuesday 18th February and running until Friday 21st February. A consent form for this has been sent home with your child this week. If you wish for your child to participate, please ensure completed forms are returned to the school office no later than Friday 14th February.

Dance Festival Rehearsals

A reminder, for all children taking part in the dance festival, rehearsals will run every Thursday night until 4.30pm beginning Thursday 16th January. Children will exit via the door by the mural in the KS1 yard.

Choir

Choir will recommence after school on Friday 24th January. We will assume that all children who were part of the school choir before we broke up will continue however, if anything has changed and your child will no longer be attending, please inform the school office. If there are any children who were not in the choir and would now like to join, please inform the school office or Mrs Kitson. There will be no choir on Friday 21st February.

Year 4 Bake Sale

In order to help raise school funds, each year group will take turns in facilitating a monthly bake sale. Year 4 will sell cakes to all pupils in school on Friday 24th January. Any year 4 children who wish to donate cakes or biscuits to this sale, please do so via the school office on the morning of the sale. Items will be sold for 50p each. There will be no snack attack on this day.

Year 6 Kingswood Residential

A reminder that, if you have opted to pay by instalments for your child's residential at Kingswood, the next payment of £40.00 is due on or before Friday 31st January.

Year 4 - Buddhist Temple

Children in year 4 will be visiting the Buddhist Temple in Hebburn on Tuesday 28th January as part of their RE topic. The trip is free of charge but we do ask that pupils bring in a donation of food or drink for the monks. The monks live off donations so, every year, we give them something from our school. This donation must be dried food e.g., nuts, spaghetti, rice, plain biscuits or bottled water. A link to the consent form containing further details has been sent to you via email.

Swimming Lessons - Year 5

Children in year 5 recommenced swimming lessons this week at Heworth Leisure Centre. As in previous terms, they will be transported to and from Heworth by coach. We politely ask that, if you are able to, each child contributes £2.00 per week towards the cost of the transport which can be paid using the SchoolGateway App. The transport costs £95 per week, so all contributions are gratefully received.

Brysons Animal Shelter

The School Council are once again looking for donations of blankets, towels, cat food, dog food, cat litter and toys for Bryson's animal shelter in Gateshead. Any donations would be gratefully received and should be handed in at the school office no later than Wednesday 29th January.

PE Slots

Children will have PE on the following days this term and should come to school wearing their PE kits.

Class	Days
Reception	Wednesday
Year 1	Wednesday and Friday
Year 2	Monday and Thursday
Year 3	Monday and Tuesday
Year 4	Wednesday and Friday
Year 5	Tuesday (Swimming) and Thursday
Year 6	Tuesday and Wednesday