

#### Dear Parents/Carers.

As we approach the end of the May half term, here are just a few updates and reminders before Friday. There has certainly been a lot going on in the 5 short weeks we have had in school since the Easter break, with much to celebrate.

## Y2 and Y6 SATs ...or Secret Agent Training champions

Our Year 6 and Year 2 children did themselves proud this month by completing their national assessments to the best of their ability in reading, maths and 'SPaG' – well done to them all!

# **Gardening Club plant sale**

Last week our Gardening club held a plant sale which was very well supported by a number of parents/families on arrival in the morning. Thank you to everyone who bought plants and well done to the gardening club who **raised £110**. Amazing!

#### Children's Cancer Run

Congratulations also go to our Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 running club members who chose to take part in the Children's Cancer Run at Gosforth Park on 15<sup>th</sup> May. Their enthusiasm was infectious and they were all very proud of their t-shirts and medals. Many had sought sponsorship for the event and we have been blown away by the amount of money collected for such a worthy cause. Very well done to them all!

#### Year 6 residential visit to York

Before our Year 6 class set off on Monday we were rather worried that they may be negatively impacted by the sickness bug which was doing the rounds a week ago. Thankfully they <u>were</u> able to go ahead and thoroughly enjoyed their 3 days away in York. A special thank you must go to Mrs Powells who stepped in to accompany the children alongside Mrs Tarbuck and Mrs Scott. Mrs Stafford was with them in spirit and was able to join them in person from the evening of the second day. She is now the proud grandma of her first grandchild!

### **Year 1 Young North-East Naturalist Project**

Our Year 1 Young Naturalists have had a super half term with sessions led by rangers Jack and Julie. The children are always 'buzzing' after the sessions and have been delighted to spot foxes, hedgehogs, cats and various birds on the wild life cameras they installed on our school grounds. Next half term their project continues and we hope to have further visits out of school for them as part of this work.

## Grassroots Summer Holiday Sports / Activity Weeks – ADVANCE NOTICE

Eastlea will be hosting one of the summer holiday Grassroots sports weeks in August. The flyer is overleaf and please contact Grassroots directly if you wish to sign your children up for this popular event.

### Golden Day reminder



Tomorrow we are celebrating the **Queen's Platinum Jubilee** with an Eastlea Street Party. Weather permitting this event will be outside in the afternoon, following preparations by each class in the morning.

Please make sure your child comes dressed in something red/white/blue on the day – and there is no fine to pay as it is a Golden Day. It would be a good idea

for them to have appropriate footwear and a jumper/coat in case it is chilly outside. If it is too wet then we will move the event indoors!

# **HUGGG** vouchers for children in receipt of benefit based Free School Meals

A reminder that the HUGGG vouchers (£20 per eligible child) for the half term holiday were circulated yesterday via email. Vouchers are for food/clothes only and have to be used before 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

**And finally**...we finish at the usual time on Friday after Golden Day and then we have the half term break to enjoy with whatever other jubilee celebrations may be planned with your families and the local community. A reminder that due to the two Platinum Jubilee bank holidays which fall in the half term break, there is an extra day 'in lieu' that the school will be closed this year to staff/pupils on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June.

Have a great half term holiday and we look to welcoming everyone back on **Monday 6th June** for the last 7 weeks of the school year.

Yours sincerely, Miss E Beeston Head Teacher