Friday 9th June 2023



Dear Parents/Carers,

It hardly seems possible that we are moving towards the end of another school year. We have plenty planned for the children in the coming weeks.

Here are some initial details and dates to put into your diary:

What's on	When and who?	
Volleyball coaching	Monday afternoons from 5 th June (Y3/Y4/Y5)	
Anti-bullying / safety workshops	Afternoon of Monday 5th June (Y5 and Y6)	
Rocksteady class band sessions	Continuing on Tuesday mornings from 7th June	
Cricket/rounders coaching in PE lessons	Tuesday afternoons from 6 th June (Y3 and Y6) Thursday afternoons from 8 th June (Y4 and Y5)	
'Bringing Words to Life' journalism writing workshops	Wednesday 7 th June, 14 th / 21 st June and 5 th July (group from Y5/Y6)	
Athletics coaching in PE lessons	Wednesday afternoons from 7 th June (Y1 and Y2)	
Specialist French / Spanish tuition	Wednesday afternoons for Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 led by Mme Taylor and Mr McCartney/Miss Anderson from 7 th June	
Specialist Music tuition	Wednesday afternoons for Reception/Y1/Y4/Y5/Y6 from 7 th June led by Miss Midgley and Mrs Hedley	
Summer term Full Governing Body meeting	Wednesday 7 th June 4.30pm	
Little Movers activity sessions	Thursday afternoons from 8 th June (Reception/Y1)	
Dance coaching	Friday mornings from 9th June (Y6)	
Fundraising 'bun day' for the Shaun on the Tyne St Oswald's Hospice appeal	Friday 9 th June (Reception to Year 6)	
Vex robot project	Friday 9 th June and Tuesday 20 th June (team from Y6)	
National Phonics Check	w/b Monday 12 th June (Year 1)	
National Multiplication Check	w/b Monday 12th June (Year 4)	
Rivers workshop	Morning of Wednesday 14 th June (Y4)	
Transition assembly at CLV	Morning of Wednesday 14th June (Year 6)	
'Owlets' coffee morning to raise funds for St Oswald's Hospice	Thursday 15 th June (9.00 – 10.30am)	
Dance workshop at Dance City	Thursday 15 th June (Y6)	
Rearranged Quadkids athletics competition at Astley	Friday 16 th June (Y4)	
Eastlea Sports Activity week (more details to follow next week)	w/b Monday 19 th June Monday – 'sports day' afternoon Tuesday – Rec/KS1 multi-skills festival (led by Y6 Sports Leaders) and KS2 karate workshops Wednesday – Y2/Y3 Tennis workshops Thursday – Y6 Girls football competition and Rec/Y1 Little Movers workshops Friday – KS2 Archery, YN/Rec Control and Move, Y3/Y4 cricket festival (led by Y6 Sports Crew), Y1/Y2 circus skills and KS2 rocket rounders competition	

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Music Play Day at CLV	Tuesday 20 th June (group of Y5/Y6 pupils)	
Girls Football competition at Northburn Sports Centre	Thursday 22 nd June (team from Y6)	
'Roots and Shoots' visit to Alnwick Gardens	Thursday 22 nd June (Y5)	
Educational class visit to Embleton Steads Farm	Tuesday 27 th June (Y1)	
Heritage England in school visit	Afternoon of Tuesday 27th June (Y4)	
Girls / Boys football competitions at CLV	Morning of Wednesday 28 th June (teams from Y3/Y4)	
STEM workshop at Newcastle Eagles	Morning of Wednesday 28th June (Y6)	
RE Theme Day	Thursday 29 th June	
Additional Transition event at CLV	Morning of Thursday 29 th June (group of Y6)	
Science EEF assessment session	Afternoon of Friday 30 th June (Y6)	
Cricket festivals at CLV	Monday 3 rd July (Y3 and Y5)	
Nursery induction visits	Monday 3 rd July (3.30pm) and Tuesday 4 th July (3.30pm),	
Northumbrian Water workshops	Tuesday 4 th July (Y3/Y4/Y6)	
Tennis festival	Afternoon of Wednesday 5 th July (Y3)	
Singing Club and Violin group concert	Wednesday 5 th July at 3.45pm (KS2 pupils)	
'Step up to next year'	Thursday 6 th July – including Year 6 day at CLV – further details will be shared nearer the time	
Eastlea summer fayre (more details nearer the time)	Afternoon of Friday 7 th July (2.00 – 3.30pm)	
Summer Holiday 'Ready, set, read!' Library reading challenge launch	Saturday 8 th July	
Presentation of summer term maths and writing awards	Mornings of Monday 10 th and Monday 17 th July	
Rocksteady class bands concert	Tuesday 11 th July	
Residential Visit to York	Wednesday 12 th – Friday 14 th July (Y6)	
Educational visit to Hexham	Thursday 13 th July (Y4)	
Year 6 Leavers Celebration Event	After school on Tuesday 18 th July - further details to follow	
GOLDEN DAY	Thursday 20 th July	
Year 6 meal out (TBC)	Thursday 20 th July – after school (Year 6 and staff)	
End of term – start of summer holidays	Friday 21 st July – 2pm departure time	

CLUBS FOR THIS HALF TERM

Before school	Lunchtime	After school
Breakfast Club (7.30 – 8.45am each day). This costs £2.50 per		Y3/Y4 Gardening Club on Mondays
day.	KS2 Professional football coaching for Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 on Tuesdays (£2 per session)	Cricket/rounders club for Y1/Y2 on Tuesdays
	Woodland Walk club for a different year group each week on Wednesdays	Singing Club for Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 on Wednesdays
	KS1 Professional football coaching for Y1/Y2 on Wednesdays (£2 per session)	Violins Progression lessons for group of Y5/Y6 on Wednesdays
Owlets toddler group for preschool children and their parents/carers/ childminders: Thursdays 9.00 – 10.30am in the school hall Sessions cost £3.00 plus 50p per extra child.	Running Club for Y4/Y5/Y6 on Thursdays	
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Nut allergy update

Can we remind everyone that due to allergies experienced by some children at Eastlea we need to reinforce our **NO NUTS** in school policy. Children who bring in food for packed lunches / snacks need to ensure that these are nut free at all times to protect the health and safety of everyone in school (this includes anything with Nutella and some cereal bars). Thank you in advance for your support with this.

Summer weather

I'm sure we are all hoping for some more summery weather over the remaining weeks of the school year. Can we ask that on sunny days sun cream is applied before children come to school if appropriate. A cap/hat would also be a good idea. Thank you!

As we mentioned before half term, as more cardigans/sweatshirts are being taken off outside when the weather warms up, we find we have more than the usual number of items of UNNAMED lost property. Please can we ask that you double check that everything your child brings to school is named.

School Uniform orders

A copy of the latest order form for school uniform (green paper) is being sent out today. You will be pleased to note that there are no price increases – the costs for sweatshirts, cardigans, book bags, PE hoodies and joggers remain the same as last year.

If you wish to place an order for uniform or PE tracksuits then orders/payment needs to be received by 23rd June so that we can do our best to ensure you have the uniform you need for September.

Remember, uniform can also be obtained <u>free of charge</u> from the Hope Centre in Cramlington. They offer a wide range of high quality items and we would certainly advise that this is worth a look for anyone who needs it. The Hope Centre also collect spare uniform ready for redistribution, so if you have any good quality items that you no longer need then bring them in and we can arrange for them to be collected.

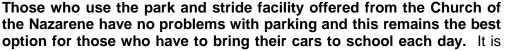


Clothing Bank

It is great to see people bringing in bags of other/non-school uniform pre-loved clothes to put into our Clothes bank on site near the bin store. Please continue to make use of this facility as every kilogram of clothes helps raise money for the school. Thank you.

Parking update

We know that the issues with parking continue for both parents who have to come by car and also local residents in the streets near the school. Hopefully the drier summer weather will mean that more children are able to come to school on their bikes, scooters or on foot. The community police will likely be continuing their periodic patrols of all school sites to offer advice and monitor the situation.





just a few minutes walk from the Church carpark to Eastlea and helps to avoid some of the worst congestion. Feedback from families who use it is universally positive so it might be worth a try. Thank you.

Fundraising for the St Oswald's Hospice 'Shaun on the Tyne' art project



As you will see from the events list for this half term we are continuing to support St Oswald's Hospice by raising funds. Our Eastlea 'Shaun' is nearing completion and we will share details about where it can be viewed this summer, once we have the full information.

Money raised from the Bun Day break time treat provided today for children in Reception to Year 6 will go towards this project and if you want to support us further then why not come to the <u>coffee morning in the school hall next week on Thursday 15th June (drop in between 9am – 10.30am).</u> The Owlets group are leading this event and we would love to see people for a cuppa and some cake…bring a donation!



Breakfast club and dinner money

Please can we ask that money for breakfast club sessions and/or school dinners is paid on the day or for the week in advance. It causes problems for the office staff if money is not paid on time. Each week the dinner money must be 'balanced' and we also need to buy food and pay staff salaries for breakfast club which is difficult if we do not have the funds available! As always, if there is a problem with payment then come and speak to us. Thank you for your support with this.

Sports Library

The Year 6 Sports Crew are trialling a 'sports library' system this half term whereby school sports equipment is being loaned out to children on a weekly basis for use at home. Year 3 have started this and on Fridays they will have the chance to take home a piece of equipment which will be returned the following week. It is important that all items are looked after and returned on time. If the system proves successful, this may be extended to include other year groups in the future.

Yours sincerely, Miss E Beeston Head Teacher