



## Spring Term 2019- Dates for your diary

<b>Mon 11<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	Homework Presentation Afternoon 2.30pm
<b>Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>Church 9.30am EYFS and KS1 only – all are welcome</b>
<b>Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	YR 1 Collective Worship 9.15am all welcome
<b>Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	Valentine's Day Lunch
<b>Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	Bend the rules day
<b>Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>School closes for half-term break</b>
<b>Mon 25<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>School re-opens</b>
<b>Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Mar</b>	Family Friday 9-9.30a.m./Stay and Play Ms Lilley's class 9-10a.m.
<b>Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Mar (please note change of date)</b>	Cinema evening 4.45p.m.- 6p.m
<b>Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Church 9.30am – Ash Wednesday Service all welcome
<b>Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	World Book Day Celebrations
<b>Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Celebration worship 1.45p.m. parents and families welcome
<b>Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Spring Coffee afternoon 2.30p.m
<b>Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	YR class Collective Worship 9.15a.m. all welcome
<b>Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Parental Consultation meetings
<b>Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Parental Consultation meetings
<b>Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Discos – YR/1/2 4.45-5.45p.m. Y3/4/5/6 6-7p.m
<b>Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> Mar</b>	YR 2 /3 Collective Worship 9.15a.m. all welcome
<b>Wed 27<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Someone Special lunch
<b>Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Celebration worship 1.45p.m. parents and families welcome
<b>Thur 4<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Holy Week Service St Mary's 2.15 p.m. all welcome
<b>Fri 5<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Non-uniform day (in aid of School Fund)
<b>Fri 5<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>School closes for Easter break</b>
<b>Tue 23<sup>rd</sup> April</b>	<b>PD Day School - closed for children</b>
<b>Wed 24<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>School re-opens</b>

### Swimming

On Monday, children from KS2 represented our school at the annual Swimming Gala at Hetton Swimming Pool. The children were absolutely fantastic and competed in a range of different races. Overall, we finished 7<sup>th</sup> out of 16 schools, which is an amazing achievement. Well done to all of our sensational swimmers!

**A reminder that Reception, Y1 and Y2 will be attending church on Wednesday, it would be lovely to see families there.**

**A reminder that it is Bend the Rules day on the last day of term. Please return your forms as soon as you can.**

## Star Pupils Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2019

<b>Ms Lilley's Class</b>	Oliver Osborne
<b>Mr Beresford's Class</b>	Zach Fox
<b>Miss Defty's Class</b>	Anabelle Osborne
<b>Miss Swan / Mrs Mayer's Class</b>	Adam Thorburn
<b>Mr Churchill's Class</b>	Harvey Fenwick
<b>Pupils Pupil</b>	Olivia Davies / Matthew Delanoy
<b>Writer of the week</b>	Kitti Golden-Shillaw
<b>Resilience Award</b>	Laila Brown
<b>Mr Appleby's Special Book</b>	Amelia West

## Attendance week commencing 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019

<b>Ms Lilley's Class</b>	<b>95</b>
<b>Mr Beresford's Class</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Miss Defty's Class</b>	<b>94.8</b>
<b>Miss Swan / Mrs Mayer's Class</b>	<b>99.4</b>
<b>Mr Churchill's Class</b>	<b>87.8</b>



### NSPCC visit and Danceathon

On Wednesday, our Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 children took part in an assembly led by a member of the NSPCC. The assembly looked at the different kinds of abuse children can suffer from and how important it is for children to tell a trusted adult if they feel unsafe or worried. The main message from the assembly was 'SPEAK OUT, STAY SAFE'. Following on from this the children will be taking part in a Danceathon next week to raise money for the NSPCC (a very worthy cause I am sure you will agree). Children received sponsor forms for this event this week.

### Arriving at School

Thank you for your co-operation this week with our new morning routine. The feedback I have had so far from staff and parents has been very positive. Just a reminder that if your child does arrive at school after 8:55am you are required to bring them into school and complete the Late Book. Mr Appleby

### Boccia

Last Friday three of our Year 6 children (Sam, Demi and Maddison), took part in a Boccia competition at Wellfield. Boccia is very similar to bowls where you have to roll the ball into different areas. The children showed some fine skills and had very accurate aims. They reached the semi-final stage and had a very enjoyable morning – well done to our Boccia stars!



### Bacon Butty Morning

Wow! What an amazing turn out for our Bacon Butty event this morning. It was fantastic to see so many families coming together and enjoying breakfast. Today really said a lot about our sense of community and the positive ethos we have in our school. A big thank you to Mrs Kirkwood, Mrs Bowden-Stoker and all of the members of the PTA for organising and running the event – it was a huge success. We also need to say a big thank you to Andrew and Natalie Wilson at Shotton Colliery Butchers for providing all of the meat and eggs at an ‘eggceptionally’ reasonable price!

Mr Appleby

