

# *Byerley Park Primary School Newsletter*

## *Issue 11*

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our latest newsletter. As ever, it contains a lot of useful information.

I wanted to take this opportunity to congratulate our Year 6 pupils on their excellent efforts during their SATs this week. By the time you read this, the assessments will be completed and the class will probably be celebrating! Their attitudes and perseverance throughout the whole process have been fantastic. They have had a turbulent few years leading up to being in Year 6 but have always tried their very best and that is all that we can ask of them. If the assessments measured determination and hard work, they would all score top marks. We couldn't be more proud of how well they have managed this week.

Take care and fingers crossed this lovely weather lasts,

Mrs Pattison

### School Photographs – Reception Class and Year 6



The school photographer will be in school next Tuesday afternoon (17<sup>th</sup> May) to take group photographs of Reception Class and Year 6. Proof copies will be sent to parents shortly afterwards.

### Positive behaviour reward

Each term, the names of all the children who have not received any poor behaviour marks are entered into a draw to win a £5 book token.

The lucky winners for the Spring Term are:

KS1 – Emily K, Reception Class

KS2 – Tamsie, Year 4

Well done girls. Keep up the great behaviour!

### Summer Sun

Be 'Sun Aware' –if the weather is forecast to be sunny, please can I ask you to apply sun cream on your child **before school** and provide a hat to protect them against the damaging rays of the sun? It is also important for every child to bring a filled water bottle to school each day so they can keep hydrated.



If you wish your child to have sun cream reapplied during the day, your child may bring their own sun cream into school. The bottle **must** be clearly labelled with your child's name and they must be able to apply it themselves.

### Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations



During the week beginning 23<sup>rd</sup> May, we will be marking the Queen's historic Platinum Jubilee. The children will learn about all things relating to the Jubilee including the Coronation and why the Jubilee is such an important historic occasion.

On **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May**, we will be celebrating the Platinum Jubilee by inviting children to come to school wearing red, white and blue clothing. Football strips and trainers will be permitted on this day. Weather permitting, we will all eat our lunch together outside as a picnic. If the weather is miserable, we will eat indoors. Don't forget to apply sun cream on this day, especially if the weather is set to be warm and sunny. After lunch, all children will be in groups and play traditional games outside, led by staff.

Most of our children have created a 'crown fit for a queen' and these have been entered into the Great Aycliffe Town Council competition.

## Mobile Phones

Please can I remind parents that children should not routinely bring mobile phones in to school.

However, I understand that there may be occasions when you require your child to bring in a mobile phone. If this is the case, please would you email school to let us know. The phone must be handed to the class teacher at the beginning of the school day for safe keeping. The phone can be collected at the end of the day.

## Change of School Uniform Suppliers Uniform orders for the next academic year



We pride ourselves on having smart and well-presented children. Thank you for your support in adhering to our school uniform policy.

Following the Government's Statutory Guidance regarding the 'cost of school uniforms' we have reviewed our School Uniform Provision. In addition to our current supplier, you will also be able to order uniform items embroidered with our school logo from Tots to Teams. The details are:

**Tots to Teams** - [www.totstoteams.com](http://www.totstoteams.com) **From 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2022**, you will be able to order directly from Tots to Teams. Simply search for our school on their website and select the items that you wish to purchase.

**Elizabeths Embroidery** - [www.elizabethsembroidery.co.uk](http://www.elizabethsembroidery.co.uk) (Password – Byerley)

The prices charged by Tots to Teams are lower than Elizabeth's Embroidery but the quality of the clothing is the same.

Payment is made at the time of booking and orders can be delivered to school for us to send home with your child or can be delivered to your home for a delivery charge.

**Now** is the time to start thinking about ordering uniform for the start of the next academic year. Normally, delivery time is approx. 10 working days from the supplier receiving your order; however, as this is now the busiest time of the year for uniform providers, it can take up to 4 weeks for your uniform order to be processed and delivered.

If you intend to order school uniform for our return in September and want it to be delivered to school before we break up for the Summer Holidays, please bear these timescales in mind, and allow plenty of time. (School will be closed for the summer holidays and we will not be able to take deliveries.)

As a reminder, our uniform for all pupils is as follows:

- Pale blue collared shirt/blouse and school tie.
- Royal blue v necked sweatshirt or sweat cardigan
- Charcoal grey trousers/skirt/pinafore dress (not black)
- Black school shoes (Please do not buy trainers, boots or sandals to wear as school footwear)

We have an optional uniform which can be worn during the **Summer Term** only:

- **White** polo shirt (no tie) with long or short charcoal grey trousers or skirt (not black) or blue gingham or striped dress.

If children wear boots or wellingtons to school in the bad weather, they must bring their school shoes to change into once inside school.

### Bicycles and Scooters

It is lovely to see so many children travelling to school by bicycle or scooter. Please could I ask that if your child comes to school on their bicycle or scooter to school, that they wear a helmet. We do not want any nasty head injuries if they fall off.

Thank you.

### School Vacancies

Mrs Daley and Mrs Culling will be leaving us at the end of this half term. We will be sad to see them leave.

As a consequence, we have advertised in the Newton News for a Kitchen Assistant (10 hrs per week) and a Lunchtime Supervisory Assistant (6.25hrs per week).

If you would be interested in any of the above positions, please contact Mrs Vincent or Mrs Mason in the school office for more information.

Closing date for the Kitchen Assistant is 12 noon on **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May** and noon on **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May** for the Lunchtime Supervisory Assistant.

### Recycling Scheme for small electrical and battery operated items



We have signed up with Durham County Council to pilot a 'small electrical and battery operated items' recycling scheme.

If you recycle using our school collection box (Number 55) you can enter the DCC free monthly competition to be in with a chance to win a prize courtesy of their partners at AO.com. For more information about this, go to: [Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment \(WEEE\) recycling - Durham County Council](#)

If you have a small electrical or battery operated item that no longer works, rather than put it in your domestic waste bin destined for landfill, you can send it to school and we will recycle it for you. Items could include:

Freeview boxes	electric shavers	power tools
CD Players/radios	electric toothbrushes	sat navs
remote controls	kettles	digital cameras
electronic toys	digital alarm clocks	handheld games consoles
headphones	irons, toasters	tablets
hairdryers	sandwich makers	phones
hair straighteners/curling tongs	electric scales	extension leads
hair trimmers	blenders	etc

This list is not exhaustive and you may have suitable items that are not included here. All we ask is that if the item will fit in a carrier bag, then we will take it. If the item is larger than this, please recycle it at a household waste recycling centre or organise a bulky waste collection for larger items at [www.durham.gov.uk/bulkywaste](http://www.durham.gov.uk/bulkywaste)