



Autumn Term 2021

24<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

### Gospel

This week's Wednesday word is **Goodness**. The Gospel reminds us that God's gift of goodness is here for everyone and it is free!! Let us all work together to help our beautiful children grow in goodness. We pray that we can all be helpful, polite, thoughtful, patient and kind. What a wonderful community we will have.

### Year 2 Collective Worship

Thank you so much to Year 2 and their teachers for leading us in prayer this morning. Their prayer was so meaningful and reverent. It was so wonderful and emotional to welcome some parents back into school, as it has been so long since we were able to share prayer with you all. We hope we are able to build on this and welcome you to all of our class liturgical prayer sessions. We would encourage you to join in with our prayers.



### Mental Health Awareness Day Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October

On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October we will be celebrating World Mental Health Day with a wellbeing day. We would like your child to wear something green in recognition of this day – please do not buy any new clothes as they can always wear a green ribbon. In school the children will do some mindfulness movements to music and simple meditation linked to prayer to help them think about how they can look after their emotional health.

MENTAL  
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WEEK



## COVID

If you are joining us in school for collective worship you will need to:

- Wear a face covering
- Sanitise hands on entry to school
- Stay socially distanced wherever possible
- Do not enter if you are experiencing any Covid-19 symptoms

## Upcoming Visits

Year 2 will be visiting Hartlepool Marina on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October.

Year 6 will be visiting Beamish on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October and will be visiting Derwent Hill 11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> October 2021.

Year 4 have a Roman Army Zoom Workshop on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October.

Visits enhance learning and the school is keen that all pupils are able to enjoy and learn from these organised excursions including the residential experience offered by Derwent Hill in the Lake District.

Please help us by returning any permission slips and monies as requested in trip letters. Your support in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Thank you.

## Themed Lunch 7<sup>th</sup> October 2021

A special "Keep Fit" themed lunch day will be taking place on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2021. The menu is as follows:

*Chicken Dumbbells (oven baked chicken breast goujons)*  
*Runner's wrap (tuna or cheddar cheese wrap)*  
*Medicine meatballs (meatballs in a tomato sauce)*  
*Served with Workout seasoned crispy oven baked diced potatoes or Powerful Pasta*  
*Balance Beam baked beans or Strength & Stamina Sweetcorn*  
*Followed by Fitness Flapjack or Fresh Fruit Salad*

If your child does **NOT** normally stay for school meals and would like to take up this opportunity please ask at the office for another letter. The reply slip is to be handed in no later than **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2021**. Children who already stay for school dinners will, of course, automatically receive their "Keep Fit" themed lunch.

## Twitter

Please remember to join in our Twitter account if you have not already done so.

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Do not enter if you have any of the following symptoms:



High temperature



Persistent cough



Loss of smell or taste

## Reminders

### Earrings and jewellery

In the interests of health and safety, the Governors' policy is that **NO jewellery**, including earrings, rings or necklaces are to be worn to school. If you wish to have your child's ears pierced, the Governors advise that you arrange this to be done at the beginning of the summer holidays so that the wounds are healed in time to avoid the wearing of sleepers when the child returns to school.

### School Uniform

Our school uniform is important to us and a source of pride. It is one way in which we identify ourselves as a school family and it promotes a strong, cohesive school identity which supports high standards and expectations in all areas of school life. Please ensure your child is wearing their full school uniform including a school tie for Years 1 – 6.

**Parents are requested to ensure that all articles of clothing are clearly marked with their child's name.** This is important because children change for P.E. and games and items of clothing are easily mislaid.

### Scooters and bikes on school premises

Please do not ride on bikes or scooters anywhere in the school grounds. We do not want anybody to be hurt.

### Headlice

We have had a case of head lice reported this week. Please could everyone take a few minutes this weekend to do a thorough head lice check and treat children's hair accordingly. Conditioner and a fine comb is a great starting point. An early check and prompt treatment will help to stop the spread. Thank you.

NHS information and advice can be found at:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

### Weekend Mass Times

St. Joseph's Church:	Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm
	Sunday Morning 9:30 am
St. Patrick's Church:	Sunday 9.30am
St. Anne & Holy Family Church:	Sunday 11.00am

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## Calendar of Events 2021-22



September 2021	
6 <sup>th</sup> September	INSET - school closed for pupils
7 <sup>th</sup> September	Beginning of term for children
7 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> September	Whole School Art Day
15 <sup>th</sup> September	Whole School Mass in School only for pupils
15 <sup>th</sup> September	Weekly swimming starts for Y4
15 <sup>th</sup> September	Whole School Mass in hall
24 <sup>th</sup> September	Reception Curriculum Meeting 2.45pm
24 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 2 Liturgical Prayer
28 <sup>th</sup> September	Nursery Curriculum Meeting 9 am & 2.45pm
28 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 2 <u>Walkwise</u> Programme
28 <sup>th</sup> September	Derwent Hill Meeting 5pm
October 2021	
5 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 2 <u>Walkwise</u> Programme
7 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 6 Beamish school trip
8 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 6 Liturgical Prayer
8 <sup>th</sup> October	World Mental Health Day
8 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 4 Groundworks project
11 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> October	Derwent Hill Year 6
12 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 2 <u>Walkwise</u> Programme
15 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 1 Liturgical Prayer
18 <sup>th</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents Evenings Nursery –Year 6
21 <sup>st</sup> October	Whole School Pantomime – Snow White
22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Year 1 Groundworks Craft Activities
22 <sup>nd</sup> October	School Closes for Autumn Half Term
November 2021	
1 <sup>st</sup> November	Children return to school
5 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 4 Liturgical Prayer
8 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 2 Phonics Screening
9 <sup>th</sup> November	Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) Curriculum Meeting 2.45pm
9 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 6 Puberty Talk
9 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 2 Groundworks project
11 <sup>th</sup> November	Flu immunisations Reception–Year 6
12 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 3 Liturgical Prayer
15 <sup>th</sup> - 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Week
19 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 5 Liturgical Prayer Christ the King
26 <sup>th</sup> November Inset Day	School Closed
December 2021	
8 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery Nativity Play 9.30am and 2.30pm
9 <sup>th</sup> December	Key Stage 1 (Year 1&2) Nativity Play 9.30am and 2.00pm
10 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1 and Year 2 visit to Sunderland Empire to see 'Snow White'
10 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception Nativity Play 2.30pm
13 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery Christmas Parties am and pm
14 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception Christmas Party pm
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Key Stage 2 (Year 3 – Year 6) Carol Service in Church – 2.00pm

15 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1 & Year 2 Christmas Party pm
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School Mass (9.15am)
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 3 & Year 4 Christmas Party am
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 5 & Year 6 Christmas Party pm
17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Singalong 9.15 am
17 <sup>th</sup> December	Break up for Christmas Holidays 3.20pm

<b>January 2022</b>	
4 <sup>th</sup> January	INSET Training for Staff
5 <sup>th</sup> January	Beginning of term for children
18 <sup>th</sup> January	Meeting for Year 6 parents – 5.00 pm Key Stage 2 SATS
<b>February 2022</b>	
14 <sup>th</sup> & 15 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents Evening Nursery–Year 6
18 <sup>th</sup> February	Break Up for Half Term 3.20pm
28 <sup>th</sup> February	Children return to School
<b>March 2022</b>	
2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Ash Wednesday
11 <sup>th</sup> -20 <sup>th</sup> March	Science Week
<b>April 2022</b>	
4 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> April	School Holy Week
8 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 6 <u>Monozukuri</u> Caravan workshop in Nissan
8 <sup>th</sup> April	Break up for Easter Holidays 3.20pm
25 <sup>th</sup> April	Children return to School
<b>May 2022</b>	
2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Bank Holiday – school closed
9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> May	SATs week Key Stage 2
27 <sup>th</sup> May	School Closes for Half Term 3.20pm
<b>June 2022</b>	
6 <sup>th</sup> June	Return to school
6 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics Screening
TBA	First Holy Communion
13 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Multiplication Check commences
20 <sup>th</sup> June - 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Sports and Fitness Fortnight
29 <sup>th</sup> June (30 <sup>th</sup> June if wet)	Sports Day
27 <sup>th</sup> June (28 <sup>th</sup> June if wet)	Nursery and Reception Sports Day
TBA	Year 6 Transition Visits to St. Aidan's and St. Anthony's
<b>July 2022</b>	
4 <sup>th</sup> July	<u>Bikeability</u> week Year 5
12 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Music Soiree 6.00pm
15 <sup>th</sup> July	Reports sent out
TBA	Leavers Mass
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers Assembly and Presentation
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Break up for summer holidays
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Extra holiday designated for Jubilee Day