



Autumn Term 2021

8<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

### **Gospel**

This week's Wednesday word is **Happiness**. In this Sunday's Gospel, the rich man was looking for true happiness. Every one of us wants to be happy. Jesus reminds us that if we want to be truly happy, wealth and possessions are not important as following Him and caring for those around us. Sharing God's love is the happiest way to live. Let us remember this as we celebrate World Mental Health Day.

### **Year 6 Collective Worship**

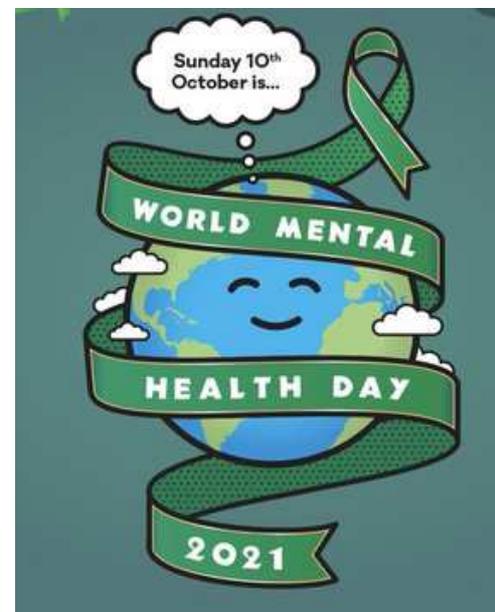
A huge thank you to Year 6 and their teachers for leading us in prayer this morning. The children were so prayerful and really made us think about being happy. Thank you parents for joining us.

### **Well Being Day**

We are proud to be supporting the wellbeing of our pupils today as we celebrate World Mental Health Day, which takes place on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2021. Today the children have taken part in mindfulness movements to music, meditated and thought about how they can look after their emotional health.

For more tips and information about looking after your child's mental health go to [www.nhs.uk/every-mind-matters/supporting-others/childrens-mental-health/](http://www.nhs.uk/every-mind-matters/supporting-others/childrens-mental-health/)

As a parent or carer, looking after your own wellbeing is also important and Every Mind Matters enables you to get tailored wellbeing support. Use the Mind Plan to see what works for you: <https://www.nhs.uk/every-mind-matters/mental-wellbeing-tips/your-mind-plan-quiz/>



### **Derwent Hill**

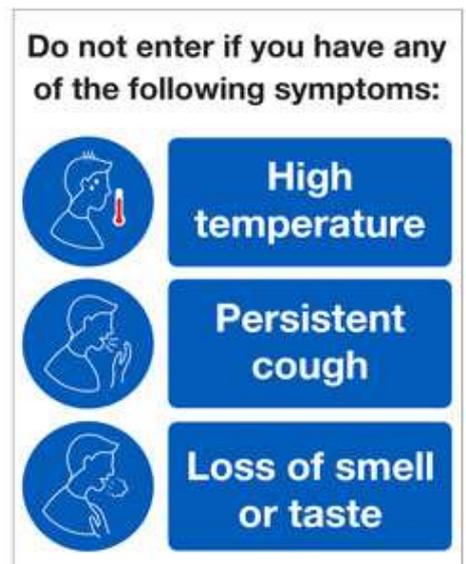
Our Year 6 pupils (and staff) are very excited as they are going to Derwent Hill in the Lake District on Monday for the week. We are sure they will have a fantastic time doing lots of outdoor activities. What a great way to look after their mental health!

Parents please wait on Monday morning with your child's luggage in the turning circle/Church car park until we are ready to depart at about 9.15am. Remember to follow us on Twitter as we will upload photographs every day. Also please keep a watch for our return time to Sunderland next Friday as we will keep you updated.

## 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



## 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.

### Car parking

Please help us by not using the turning circle as a car park – it is a drop off only area. Please use the church car park.

## Anti-Bullying Week

Anti-bullying Week 2021 is being held between the 15th and 19th November.

There will be more information to follow but we will be 'kicking-off' Anti-Bullying week by taking part in Odd Sock Day on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November - please come to school wearing odd socks!

Odd Socks Day is designed to be fun! It's an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique!

## Attendance

Last week's attendance...

Reception	97.3
Year 1	91.3
Year 2	85.1
Year 3	96.2
Year 4	99.7
Year 5	94.7
Year 6	89.5

Spike went to Class 4 for the week ending 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021 with an excellent attendance of 99.7%.

## Parent's Appointments

Please call the school office from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October to book a telephone appointment with your child's teacher. You will be able to discuss your child's progress during this appointment.

Telephone appointments are available as follows:

Year	Teacher	Day	Time
Nursery	Mrs Stennett	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> October Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	3.30pm – 5.20pm each day
Reception	Mrs Teasdale	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> October Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	3.30pm-4.30pm 9am – 10.20am
Year 1	Miss Brack	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> October Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	3.30pm-4.45pm 9.00am-10.10am
Year 2	Miss Banks	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> October Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	3.30pm-4.45pm 9.00am-10.10am
Year 3	Mrs Toward	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	1.10pm – 4.50pm
Year 4	Miss Oliver	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	1.15pm- 5.30pm
Year 5	Miss Forbister	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> October Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	3.30pm – 4.45pm 2.00pm – 4.30pm
Year 6	Mrs Forbister	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> October Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	3.30pm – 4.45pm 2.00pm – 4.30pm

## Pupil Premium/Free School Meals

As you are aware, all Foundation Stage (Nursery and Reception) and Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and Year 2) children are eligible to receive a free school meal.

However, we still need ALL parents to register for free school meal entitlement to enable school to access extra funding for your child.

School will use this extra funding to help support your child in their learning and achievements. Other benefits may be available to you such as financial help towards music lessons, after school activities and school trips etc.

If you feel you may be entitled to register you can apply online by accessing the following website address [www.togetherforchildren.org.uk/families/free-school-meals](http://www.togetherforchildren.org.uk/families/free-school-meals).

## Twitter

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

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## Upcoming Visits

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

Year 6 visit Derwent Hill next week.

Whole school pantomime 'Snow White' will take place in school on 21<sup>st</sup> October.

Year 1 will be taking part in craft activities in conjunction with Groundworks on 22<sup>nd</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.

### **Cancelled classes next week**

Year 4 will not be swimming next week (13<sup>th</sup> October 2021) due to the mini buses being at Derwent Hill. Mr Farrer's Tuesday Football Club will not take place on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October as Mr Farrer will be in Derwent Hill.

### **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