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'Together with Jesus, we love to learn and learn to love'

Our ethos statement this week is: "I know what human dignity means and I show that I respect others."

14th June 2019

Dear Parents,

The next two weekends are important events in the life of the school as our Year 4 children will make their First Holy Communion. The weather may not be glorious but we know that whatever the weather it will be a memorable occasion for those families. Please keep in your prayers the children from 4GB and 4DK.

In the coming weeks the furniture from Year 2 to Year 6 classrooms will be replaced. Although the tables are worn they may be useful to certain organisations or you may wish to have one in your child's bedroom. If you wish to have a table and chairs or you know of an organisation that needs them, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

Year 6 have had an AMAZING few days exploring Northumberland. We had a peaceful and reflective day on Holy Island exploring Lindisfarne and then celebrating a special liturgy thinking about our school virtues. We received a warm welcome when we arrived at Broomley Grange where we had fun round the bonfire and learnt fire making skills. Tuesday was an action packed day taking part in adventurous activities. The children pushed themselves to conquer their fears and had so much fun. The teachers were so proud of their resilience and how they worked together and supported one another. The instructors and staff commented on the children's superb attitude and excellent manners.

Wednesday was a fabulous day exploring the Roman Empire at Vindolanda and learning all about the Roman Army Museum. The highlight was a hike up to Hadrian's Wall where the children enjoyed stunning views of Northumberland. The day was topped off with the children showing their vast array of talents in the much anticipated 'Immaculate Heart has got Talent' evening. We finished off a wonderful few days exploring the 1900s town and village at Beamish where children thought they had stepped into the world of Harry Potter. The children also took part in a WW2 workshop. Parents should be very proud of the excellent behaviour and manners the children have shown. The teachers are particularly impressed with how well they slept!

1LG Assembly – Congratulations to 1LG for their fantastic Father's Day assembly. The children shared how their dads make their life special. For the dads who were able to attend the assembly it was the best present they could be given. Thank you to Miss Goodfellow, Mrs Courtney-Ashton and Miss Timms for this lovely assembly.



Mini Vinnies Appeal, a message from our Mini Vinnies – We need your help. Children in Malawi, Kenya, Liberia and Zambia are living in terrible conditions. They have no food, clothes or good education. We, the Mini Vinnies, urge you to help us change this through our Backpack Project. Letters were sent home this week. We hope you will use the checklists and give generously to help us help other children. For more information please go to marysmeals.org.uk . Thank you very much.

HCPT 131 Cake Sale - After 9.30am mass IHOM on Sunday 16th June. Come and buy your dad a cake for Father's Day! If anyone would like to know about travelling with HCPT next Easter (especially young helpers age 16+) then please speak with one of the group on the day.

IHOMSA 100 Club – Congratulations to Lucy Carey who has won the £100 this week. Remember you can still enter! Please contact Mark Butler on ihomsa13@gmail.com

Recommended Reading – This week's recommendations are:

- Year R – One Snowy Night by Nick Butterworth
- Year 1 – Don't Forget the Bacon by Pat Hutchins
- Year 2 – The First Encyclopedia of Animals (Usborne)
- Year 3 – The Sam Pig Story Book by Alison Uttley
- Year 4 – Dog So Small by Phillipa Pearce
- Year 5 – Black Beauty by Anna Sewell
- Year 6 – The Railway Children by E Nesbit

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS – Attend Today Achieve Tomorrow

Can we reach our whole school target of 98%? If we reach 98% our attendance will be Outstanding.

Attendance – Well done to the whole school on achieving 96% attendance. Special congratulations to RCD, 4DK, 5JR and of course our Year 6's for achieving full attendance.

Year Group	Attendance Wk. Comm 4 th June	
YR	RAG – 81%	RCD – 100%
Y1	1LG – 99%	1LR – 94%
	1SC – 96%	
Y2	2JM – 94%	2HC – 97%
Y3	3GG – 99%	3AW – 98%
Y4	4GB – 98%	4DK – 100%
Y5	5HS – 99%	5JR – 100%
Y6	6FE – 100%	6CK – 100%

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who have been awarded Star of the Week in their class!

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| RAG – Taya | 3AW – Sam |
| RCD – Liam | 3GG – Jude |
| 1LR – Filip | 4DK - Henry |
| 1LG – Shonagh | 4GB - Casper |
| 1SC – Oran | 5JR – Olivia |
| 2JM – Ben | 5HS – Bhavan |
| 2HC – Sebastian | |



All of Year 6 are our stars this week after their fantastic time in Northumberland!



Happy Birthday to –
 Year R – Jacob & Bede
 Year 2 – Joshua & Samuel
 Year 3 – Dylan
 Year 5 – Gabriella & Gabriel

Forthcoming Events – new dates in bold		
Date	Time	Event
Sat 15 th June	10am	4GB First Holy Communion
Mon 17 th Jun	All day	Y1 Educational Visit to Grand Theatre
Sat 22 nd June	10am	4DK First Holy Communion
Mon 24 th – Weds 26 th Jun		Y3 Herd Farm Residential
Thurs 27 th Jun	All Day	Non-Uniform day for IHOMSA Family Night
Thurs 27 th Jun	6.30pm	Music Evening
Fri 28th Jun	9am	IHOMSA ticketing for Family Night – all helpers welcome!
Fri 28 th Jun	3.30pm	IHOMSA Stay and Play Session
Tues 2 nd Jul	1.15pm	KS1 Sports Day
Weds 3 rd Jul	2.15pm	Breck Foundation speaking to parents
Thurs 4 th Jul	1.15pm	Y3 & Y4 Sports Day
Fri 5 th Jul	1.15pm	Y5 & Y6 Sports Day
Fri 5 th Jul	TBC	IHOMSA Family Fun Night
Tues 9 th Jul	9.15am	Y4 to perform for parents
Weds 10 th Jul	9.30am	YR Sports Day
Weds 10 th Jul	9.45- 1.30pm	Y4 Sports Day at Cardinal Heenan
Weds 10 th Jul	1.30pm & 6.30pm	Y6 Production
Thurs 11 th Jul	3.30pm	Weardale initial meeting (current Year 4 parents)
Sat 13th Jul	12-3pm	Parish Strawberry Fayre
Tues 16 th Jul	3pm	Y6 Leavers Mass & Disco
Fri 19th Jul	3.25pm	School finishes for Summer holidays – no After School Club

Prayer –

God took the strength of a mountain and the majesty of a tree,
 The warmth of a summer sun and the quiet of a calm sea.
 The gentle soul of nature and the comforting arms of night,
 The wisdom of the ages and the power of the eagle's flight.
 The joy of the morning in springtime,
 The faith of a mustard seed.

God gave him the patience of eternity and the love of a family that needs.
 When God combined these qualities and saw there was nothing more to add,
 He knew his masterpiece was complete...and so he called it....Dad.

Mrs A M Phillips
Headteacher

If you are worried or concerned about the wellbeing of any of our pupils please ask to speak to Mrs Phillips, Mrs Hill, Miss Hargreaves or Mrs Roberts.

