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**Dear Parents/Carers 25th April 2016**

**Nursery Places**

Letters have gone out now for places for September with dates for upcoming meetings. If you have a baby in the family or know someone who lives in the village who has a baby please can a Nursery application form be completed? We are asked by the Local Authority to predict our Nursery pupil numbers as far ahead as 2019/20. This helps the Local Authority allocate funding and helps us calculate if we can offer an afternoon Nursery and places to ‘Rising 3’s’. All information helps, thank you.

**Swimming Lessons**

Swimming resumes as normal this Thursday, so please don’t forget swimming kit and fee.

Please keep up with weekly payments for audit purposes, thank you.

**\*\*\*Dinner Money\*\*\***

REMINDER - This must be paid by a Tuesday at the VERY latest. Any problems please see me or the school office, thank you. School cannot subsidise any school lunches for non-payment.

**Parents lunches**

Please check out the dates when you are invited to have lunch with your child and complete the slip at the end of the letter and return as soon as possible. Mrs Palmer will be cooking up a tasty lunch.

**KS2 Residential**

All balances should have been paid by LAST FRIDAY. If you haven’t paid your balance or are struggling with this see either Mrs Chapman or myself.

**\*\*\*\*Wellies/PE Kit\*\*\*\***

Please ensure your child has these in school at ALL TIMES. Your child may miss out on valuable outdoor learning if he/she can’t access the forest area & PE activities due to incorrect footwear and clothing. Your co-operation is much appreciated, thank you.

**FINAL CHANCE TO HELP US ! Sainsbury’s Active Kids Vouchers – available until 3rd May**

Please help Grange View by collecting Sainsbury’s Active Kids Vouchers, parents and members of our local community can donate their Active Kids vouchers to school. By exchanging them school can receive an exciting range of active and cooking equipment, and experiences. We can support our children to eat well, move well and live well.

 

# Dates for diaries up to July 2016 (may be subject to change but parents will be notified as appropriate) – SOME NEW DATES ADDED

* **Wed 27thApril Willow parents lunch day 12.30pm – Please arrive by the bungalow gates and wait in the school library to be collected by your child**
* **Mon 2nd May- BANK HOLIDAY – School closed**
* **Wed 4th May Beech parents lunch day 12.30pm**
* **\*\*\*Fri 6th May – Non-uniform day for sweets donation for Friends Summer Fair**
* **\*\*\*Fri 6th May – Friends Pocket Money Stall after school at 3.15pm**
* **Wed 11th May Elm parents lunch day 12.30pm**
* **Wed 18th May Oak parents lunch day 12.30pm**
* **Thurs 19th May- Y4 TAG Rugby afternoon, Ashington High School**
* **\*\*\*Fri 20th May – Non-uniform day for drinkable bottle donations for Summer Fair**
* **Tues 24th May- Y4’s Striking and fielding afternoon at JCSC**
* **Wed 25th to Fri 27th May- Y3/4 Residential at Deneholme, Allendale**
* **Fri 27th – HALF TERM school closes at 3.15pm**
* **Mon 6th June – school re-opens at 8.50am**
* **Tues 7th June- Class photos**
* **Thurs 9th June - Countryside Show Day – Y2/3/4 (Beech and Willow classes) with**

**Return at approx. 4pm**

* **Fri 10th June- Y4 Quad kids at Amble Links all day**
* **Mon 13th June- Bike week- more info to follow**
* **Wed 22nd June- leavers service for Y4’s at Newcastle cathedral**
* **\*\*\*Fri 24th June- Sports day and at 2.30pm the Friends Summer Fair**
* **Wed 6th July- Nursery Lunches due to start Reception in Sept 16 - 11.30 with parents**
* **Thurs 7th July- Transition day for Y4. All children visit new classes pm. New nursery visit with parents pm**
* **Fri 8th July – Reports sent home**
* **Mon 11th July- Fri 15th July. New Reception (current Nursery) stay for school lunch which costs £10.50 for the week and to be collected 12.30pm all week**
* **Mon 18th July – 5pm Leaver’s Tea at Lollo Rosso in Morpeth**
* **Tues 19th July - 6pm Leaver’s Show for families**
* **Wed 20th July - Break up for summer holidays and school closes at 1.30pm**

**Friends of Grange View**

At the last meeting it was suggested that we could have a car boot sale/table top sale where sellers are charged £5 per car/table. This would be organised sometime between now and the end of the summer term if there is enough interest.

If you or any of your family and friends would be interested, please contact the office so we can decide if this will go ahead, thank you.

**Attendance**

Please remember your child’s attendance in school is extremely important. Awards will continue to be given to each class with the best attendance.

Can we remind parents about a section of the Education Act 1996:

“Central to raising standards in education and ensuring all pupils can fulfil their potential is an assumption so widely understood that it is insufficiently stated – pupils need to attend school regularly to benefit from their education. Missing out on lessons leaves children vulnerable to falling behind. Children with poor attendance tend to achieve less in both primary and secondary school”

NO HOLIDAYS will be authorised in term time. The Coquet Partnership Headteachers have now agreed to issue penalty fines of £60 to any parent who takes their child on holiday in term time where their attendance is below 92%.

**Well done Beech Class who won with 100%**

Acorn – 98.5% Oak – 97.0%

Elm – 97.1% Beech – 100% Willow – 99.4%

TOTAL FOR THE WEEK – 98.4%

ABOVE OUR TARGET!! WELL DONE EVERYONE.

Our overall school target is now 96% attendance.

PLEASE TRY to get your child to school on time every day and help us achieve our target EVERY week, thank you.

***Elm***

Merit – Rihannon, Dylan

Writing - Jessica

Sparkle – Max

***Beech***

Merit – Dylan + whole of Miss Morton’s RWI group

Writing - Sam

Sparkle – Cameron

***Willow***

Merit – Olivia, Bradley

Writing - Damon

Sparkle – Jessica

Stars of the week

***Acorns***

Merit – Harry, Niamh

Writing – Poppy O

Sparkle – Taylor

***Oak***

Merit – James

Writing - Rhys

Sparkle – Jaya

*Presentation Award*

Ayden - Acorn

*Football Awards*

Caleb

Leigh

**Active Learn- homework**

Please remember if you are supporting your child to complete their homework online the website address is: [www.activelearnprimary.co.uk](http://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk). You can access this through a PC/ ipad/tablet/ smartphone.

**DON’T Forget- Easy Fund Raising** [www.easyfundraising.org.uk.](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/) Please register and keep Shopping online on this website for school funds. Every penny you spend helps school.

**Kind Regards**

Louise Laskey

Mrs L Laskey – Headteacher

Parent School Lunch Order

Child’s name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Class:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please tick when you would like to attend:-

I would like to join my child on:

* **Wed 4th May Beech parents lunch day 12.30pm……….**
* **Wed 11th May Elm parents lunch day 12.30pm………..**
* **Wed 18th May Oak parents lunch day 12.30pm ………**
* **Wed 6th July Acorn (Nursery) lunch day 11.30am……**

**I enclose £2.70 for the cost of the lunch…………………………..**

**Signed:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

(payment must be sent in with order, thank you)