

St. John's Church of England Academy



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Newsletter

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Guided by God, to be the best that we can be.



Seahouses

In the week before half term, Year 6 once again took part in their annual trip to Seahouses in Northumbria. What a fantastic week we had! The trip was full of amazing experiences that were very educational but – great fun! We arrived on Monday and headed straight down to the beach. Unfortunately, the weather wasn't great but we didn't let that spoil our fun. If it's already pouring down, it doesn't matter



about getting wet so we paddled, explored rock pools and played games. On Tuesday, we took the bus over to Holy Island. It's a good job we weren't in a hurry because the tide came in and we were on the island for 5 hours! After a walk around the castle, we headed over to look at St. Cuthbert's Island. who we had learnt about in RE. We also visited the church and looked around the ruins of the monastery. Wednesday started by visiting the



Grace Darling museum before heading over to see the church where she is buried. After lunch we had a tour of Bamburgh Castle and heard a few very unsettling ghost

stories before our long walk along the coast back to Seahouses. We had great fun rolling own a huge sand dune and paddling in the water. Our final full day was very busy but full of fantastic experiences. We walked down to the harbour and had our lunch on the beach before getting on the boat to the Farne Islands. The weather was glorious so the sea was quite calm and we saw all sorts of wild life such as seals, puffins and turns. After a tour of the islands, learning about

Grace Darling, we got off the boat and walked around Inner Farne. It was amazing to see all the birds but they weren't so pleased to see us! We had a wonderful time and all the children were so well behaved – they were a pleasure to spend the week with.



Our Citizenship Award given to those who have demonstrated our Christian Value of 'forgiveness'. The child who receives these awards is decided by class members.



Homework Awards were presented to those who have consistently worked hard to complete their homework. Many thanks to the parents who encourage their children to do their homework. It goes a long way to help with their learning.



Parent Governor Election

St John's Church of England academy Trust is looking for a parent governor to join the Governing Body. The Governing Body has a very important role in deciding on the school's priorities and ensuring it delivers high quality education. It's responsibilities include approving the budget and appointing senior staff. As well as parent governors, the Governing Body also has representatives appointed by the Diocese and the Local Authority and some staff members. You don't need any special qualifications or experience but you will need to be enthusiastic about making a difference to the school and able to work well in a team with other governors. You will also need to be able to commit time to attending and preparing for meetings and undertaking training.

Further information and application forms are available from the school office. The deadline for returning completed forms is 12 noon on Thursday 22nd June 2017. If more than one nomination is received, a ballot will take place and all parents will be entitled to vote. If you have any questions about the role of governors, please contact Miss Large, Head Teacher, or Sarah Thompson, Clerk to the Governing Body. (sarah.thompson77@ntlworld.com)



SPORT NEWS



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Girls' Cricket - Our two teams that took part displayed exceptional skills in bowling, fielding and batting. Team A narrowly missed out on a bronze medal. Both teams showed great team spirit and gained experience in competing in a very competitive sport.

Boys' Cricket - Two teams entered the cricket festival held at Feethams. Once again showing determination to do well. Team A came 5th out of the twenty teams that competed. Well done boys!

Girls' Football - Once again our girls showed skill and determination and as a result they won one game and drew two. A fantastic achievement as they competed



Be a Super Saver!

The Credit Union visit school every Tuesday morning. If you would like your child to save for holidays, birthdays or a special treat then please call into the office for a form. You can save any amount, every penny counts!

For those pupils who already have an account keep on saving!



It's lovely to welcome two children to St. John's family, Elsie in Year 1 and Aleksander in Year 2. Both have settled in very well and made lots of new friends.

School Uniform

May we remind you that if you wish your child to have new uniform for September that you place your order as soon possible to guarantee you receive it in time.

Children's uniform should be grey or black trousers/skirt, white or blue polo shirt/blouse and a royal blue jumper or cardigan. Shoes must be **plain** black with plain black laces. Girls should wear grey or white tights or socks and hair ties should be in school colours please. **No patterned or extreme haircuts for September.**

PE kit should be left in school in a small bag on your child's coat peg so it is ready for their lesson. **Please make sure all items of clothing are named.**

Thank you.

SAFETY FIRST!

May we ask those parents who are collecting their children from our Nurseries to **NOT** to park on the yellow lines. This is causing concern for the safety of others trying to cross the road.

Also, please do not allow your child to play in the flower beds in the front of the school. There are plants that could hurt your child as well as damage the foliage. Thank you for your cooperation.

Dates for Diaries

8.6.17	Year 5 Class Assembly at 2.45pm - parents welcome	
8.6.17	Wheel Education cycling for Year 6 - 9.30-11.30am	
9.6.17	Gymnastics Festival KS1 & KS2 - 9.30am - 12.30pm	
10.6.17	Penalty Shoot out at the RA Club - 2pm (Saturday)	
11.6.17	St Bede's Football Fun Day 12noon - 3pm (Sunday)	
12.6.17	Barnabus Day - fun for the whole school	
14.6.17	Y3 & Y4 visit to Kirkleatham	
14.6.17	Y5 visit to a Buddhist Centre - 1.30pm	
20.6.17	Girls' Football Y3 & Y4 Middlesbrough Sport Village - 1.30pm - 5.15pm	
22.6.17	Y4 Football Team at Eastbourne Complex - 4pm	
27.6.17	Reception Class Assembly - 9am. Parents welcome	
28.6.17	Y1 & Y2 Trip to Raby Castle	
28.6.17	Y3 Music Assembly at 2.45pm. Parents welcome	
29.6.17	Y1,2,3 & 4 Change for Life Assembly - 9.30am Parents welcome	
30.6.17	In school transition day - children spend time with their next teacher	
6.7.17	Y2 Durham Cathedral visit	
6.7.17	Y3 & Y4 Community Games at Eastbourne Complex - 10am - 3pm	
11.7.17	School Sports Day - 1.30pm - parents welcome	
13.7.17	Y4 Music Assembly at 2.45pm - parents welcome	
13.7.17	Y6 Bike Ride to Middleton St. George 9am - 2.30pm	
21.7.17	Y6 Leavers' Assembly - Y6 parents welcome	
21.7.17	Break up for Summer Holidays	
4.9.17	Children return to school	