

St. John's Church of England Academy



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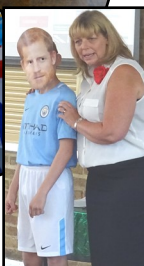
Guided by God, to be the best that we can be.



A RIGHT ROYAL CELEBRATION



The whole school have been involved in celebrations to commemorate the Royal Wedding. Everyone has had a fabulous time learning about the Royal Family and taking part in all kinds of competitions (including designing a Royal Wedding t-shirt) and events. Reverend Sue conducted a wedding ceremony with children from Reception while Year 6 designed their own outfit for a bride and groom (with a twist!) We have enjoyed strawberries and ice cream, curtesy of Year 4, home made biscuits by Mrs Wakelin's Golden Time group (many thanks to Mrs Honour for making biscuits too) and there have been lots of traditional English teas and tea parties.



**KEEP CALM
YOU'VE
FINISHED
THE SATS**

We would like to say a special 'well done' to all our Year 6 children who have completed their national tests this week. We are very proud of them all; they have been positive and approached their tests so confidently but also supportive of each other. Fabulous effort Year 6.
PS Thank you Mrs Tweddle for the gorgeous 'end of tests' treat. Mmm



Year 4 went to Eastbourne Sports Complex and took part in an athletics festival called Quad Kids. The children participated in the 400m, 50m sprint, standing two foot long jump and howler throw. The events were all run by young leaders from Polam Hall School who did a fabulous job of recording the children's running times, jumping and throwing distances. The children enjoyed and tried their very best in all the events. If any of the children are keen to take up athletics as an out of school club could they see one of the PE members of staff within school for further details of clubs in Darlington.



We have had a fantastic start to our Saturday morning Rugby League club. Great numbers with great parents, lots of fun and even the odd ice lolly!



Please note the date changes to Year 2 and Year 3 Agape Worship. Apologies for any inconvenience this may have caused.



May we remind you that when children bring their water bottles to school, it **does not** contain flavoured or fizzy drinks. Plain water is best for the children.

Well done to everyone who supported 'The Big Pedal' by coming to school on a bike or scooter. St. John's came 1st in Darlington with 57% of children bringing their bikes - best result we have ever had! We finished 66th in the whole of the country!



This is a free course for practical parenting styles, positive communication, managing challenging

behaviour and promoting self esteem.

Tuesday 12th June 2018

5 weeks

9am - 11am

Community Room Call into the school office to book a place.



For parents/carers and children.

A fun, interactive free 6 week course starting 24th July 2018 at 11.45am -

1.15pm. For details of venue and to book a place please email joy@rsaccthecentre.org.uk or telephone 01325 354119.

Attendance Winners Summer Term 1

Week 3	Y4 & Y6	99%
Week 4	Y4	100%

Attendance is 96.2% - we need to keep working hard to reach our target of 96.4%. Many thanks to parent/carers who make appointments outside of school. **On occasions when this is unavoidable please bring on your medical and dentist appointment card or text, so the absence can be authorised.**

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Please note leave of absence

will only be granted for 'exceptional' circumstances which tend to be one off situations. Leave of Absence will not be considered for long periods (over 5 days). Good attendance is extremely important to maximise children's life chances and we value your cooperation.

DATES FOR DIARIES

20.5.18	Darlington Mass Dance Festival - starts at 1pm town centre
21.5.18	RE - 'Big Frieze' Art's week
22.5.18	Cloud Singh visit 9.30am
22.5.18	Y5 & Y6 Hockey Festival at Carmel - 12 - 3pm
24.5.18	Collective Worship - Major Shirley visit from The Salvation Army - 9am
24.5.18	Y5 visit the Buddhist Centre - 1pm - 3.20pm
24.5.18 Thursday	Break up for 1 week
4.6.18	Return back to school
4.6.18	Barnabas Day
5.6.18	Y3 Forest School visit
5.6.18	Y5 & Y6 Town Sports 9am - 3pm
6.6.18	Reception Class - Agape Collective Worship 2.45pm - parents welcome
7.6.18	Y2 Agape Collective Worship 2.45pm - parents welcome
8.6.18	Gymnastics Festival at Hurworth Y1 - Y6
8.6.18	Soccer Aid Event - more details to follow
11.6.18	Y6 Seahouses Field Week
12.6.18	Y5 Cricket Festival at R.A Club
19.6.18	Y4 Forest School visit
20.6.18	Y1 Agape Collective Worship 2.45pm - parents welcome
21.6.18	Y4 Agape Collective Worship 2.45pm - parents welcome
27.6.18	Y2 Quad Kids
28.6.18	Collective Worship - Major Shirley from The Salvation Army - 9am
27.6.18	Y3 Agape Collective Worship 2.45pm - parents welcome
29.6.18	Transition day - visit your next class
2.7.18	Eucharist for Y4, Y5 & Y6 - 2.45pm
3.7.18	Y2 visit Durham Cathedral
4.7.18	Sports Day - 1.30pm - parents welcome
5.7.18	Y4 Community Games at Eastbourne Complex
8.7.18	Our dance troupe perform at the Hippodrome
12.7.18	Y6 Leavers' bike ride
12.7.18	Y1 & Y2 visit the Captain Cook Museum - full day
17.7.18	Sainsbury's Community Sports (whole school)
20.7.18	Y6 Leavers' Assembly - parents of Y6 welcome
20.7.18	Break up for the summer holidays