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



Joshua's Prayer

As part of the Bishop's walk last Saturday, Joshua (Y5) was chosen to read his prayer (see below) during the Bishop's morning service in South Park. Joshua was a wonderful ambassador for our school.

Our Lord and Father

The people of Darlington thank you for our amazing town, especially our many sport facilities which help many people to learn skills and keep fit. I know how lucky I am however, some people in our town are struggling.

Please Father keep homeless people safe and out of danger.

Your love for us is never ending, help me to love others the way you love me.

Amen

If you go down to the woods...

Year 3 went to Geneva Wood as part of their topic work on forests and their literacy work on the Minpins by Roald Dahl.

They started the morning by listening to the forest sounds and really thinking about being in such a wonderful place.

Then they played a game of bat and moth which was

great fun. The children designed and made shelters for the Minpin's

(the miniature people who live in the forest in the story of the Minpins). After lunch they tried lighting a fire with a flint... much harder than matches but great fun.

Sometime later when the camp fire was burning some of the children

toasted marshmallows whilst the others prepared chocolate bananas to roast on the fire.

They all had a fantastic time as well as demonstrating super team work.





Here at St John's we are working in partnership with Darlington Young Carer's towards achieving the Young Carer's Charter which shows that we are raising awareness and promoting understanding of Young Carers and supporting Young Carers in school. Our Young Carer's Champion in school is Mrs Baker, our Home School Support Worker. You can contact her at school if you would like any more information, a chat or signposting to services.

Contact Telephone Number for Darlington Young Carers
01325 483038

Website Links

www.disc-vol.org.uk <https://wwwmakeway.es/darlingtonyoungcarers> or check out our

Young Carer's link on our website.

Dates for Diaries

23.5.16	Year 6 at Seahouses - back Thursday	
23.5.16	Year 5 visit to Life Centre in Newcastle	
24.5.16	Y5 Boys Cricket Festival	
25.5.16	Year 5 Agape 2.45pm - parents welcome	
26.5.16	Break up for half term - Thursday	
7.6.16	Back to school - Tuesday	
7.6.16	Year 4 Forest School	
8.6.16	Pop in & chat to Pc Summerhill & Pcs0 Ableson 8.30 - 10am	
7.6.16	Vocal Pop—Year 6	
8.6.16	Year 2 Scooting training with Kevin	
8.6.16	Athletics Training at Eastbourne Complex - Y5 & Y6	
9.6.16	Year 4 Cycling with Kevin	
9.6.16	Town Sports at Eastbourne Complex - Y5 & Y6	
10.6.16	Year 1 Class Assembly 9am - parents welcome	
17.6.16	Year 6 Travel Morning with Kevin - 9am - 12noon	
21.6.16	Year 4 Class Assembly 9am - parents welcome	
22.6.16	Year 5 Orienteering Festival at Tees Valley	
22.6.16	Year 2 Class Assembly 9am - parents welcome	
23.6.16	Year 6 Hockey Festival at Tees Valley - 9am - 3.30pm	
23.6.16	Year 4 Halle Orchestra at the Dolphin Centre	
25.6.16	Darlington Carnival - Year 5	
27.6.16	Year 6 Darlington Football Coaching - AM	
28.6.16	Year 5 Mixed Cricket Festival 9am - 3pm	
29.6.16	Year 1 & Year 2 trip to Captain Cook Museum	
29.6.16	Farm Bus for 2 year old and 3 year old Nursery	
5.7.16	Year 2 trip to Durham Cathedral	
6.7.16	Sports Day - PM parents welcome	
7.7.16	Community Games Y3 & Y4 - 10am - 3pm	
11.7.16	Y5 Young Leaders training at Eastbourne Complex 9am-12noon	
14.7.16	Year 3 Class Music Assembly 2.45pm - parents welcome	
14.7.16	Year 6 Bike Ride to Middleton St George - whole day	
15.6.16	Year 5 Class Assembly - parents welcome	
19.7.16	Sainsbury's School Sports Day	
20.7.16	Year 6 Leavers' Service - Y6 parents welcome 9am	
20.7.16	Break up for summer hols. Return Monday 5.9.16	



Primary School Games

Year 5 and 6 attended the annual Primary School Games this week. They had wonderful day competing in a variety of challenges. Our hockey team did extremely well winning gold medals and our golf team narrowly missed achieving third place. Well done to everyone who took part, you were all a credit to our school.



Lost Property



We have an abundance of unclaimed jumpers, some jackets and various other items that have not been claimed for sometime! If you think your child has a missing item of uniform, please have a look in our lost property area which is situated by the exit door in the KS2 area. The best time to take a look is when dropping off or collecting your child from school. **Please name all items of clothing so that they can be returned to the children.** Thank you.

HALLÉ AT THE DOLPHIN CENTRE

A number of discounted tickets are available to all Year 4 pupils and their families who are taking part in the Hallé Children's Concert during the afternoon of Thursday 23rd June. These tickets can be purchased from Monday 23rd May on the following website: www.ticketsource.co.uk/hummersknottmusic Password: HALLE2016



The PTFA are currently preparing for our Sports Day. They are hoping to have a variety of stalls on the day and one of those will be a 'New to You' uniform stall. If you have any good condition, clean and unwanted uniform you could donate, please bring it to the office. Our PTFA are always looking for volunteers to help. Please let us know if you can help during Sports Day or with the preparation. Thank you



Parking Request

The Warden at Rosemary Court has requested that parents do not use their parking areas when dropping off or picking up children from school/nursery, as it is becoming increasingly more difficult for outside agencies and visitors to park their cars when visiting the residence. Thank you.