

JULY NEWSLETTER

Here we are again at the end of another very busy year.

Thank you so much for supporting us with all of our different activities this term which have included trips to Lilidorei, Lifepath and Elsdon Castle as well as a British citizenship ceremony at County Hall. Our school choir went to sing in the Jubilee Hall where they were treated to some tasty treats and they performed brilliantly at the Rothbury music festival too winning first prize! We had a great sports day earlier in the term, the weather was amazing for once and the ice cream van was very busy at the end of the day. Thank you to those of you who came along to a meeting for Reception children starting in September, and a huge thank you to everyone who attended our end of year concert. The children really excelled and we were very proud of them. We have had some really positive comments from parents which have been very much appreciated and our raffle raised £233.40

Yurt

As you know we have been raising funds to buy a yurt and it has now been installed. Thank you for all your contributions. We were also very grateful to receive a substantial contribution from the parish Council which enabled us to buy the yurt sooner than we had anticipated and we had a lot of help from local veterans who built the decking. There are still some finishing off jobs to do inside the yurt before we can use it but hopefully by the end of September it will be complete.

GOODBYES

Today we are saying a fond farewell to all our Year 4 children. In the last few weeks they have all been able to take part in transition activities, so they hopefully feel ready and confident to move on to the next stage of their education. They enjoyed a delicious leavers lunch at La Mensa today and they have shared some very happy memories in class and through their leaver's concert. We are always sad when our Year 4s leave but we know they are ready and excited about moving on to the next stage of their education.

Emilie, Zack and Jamie are also leaving for new schools at the end of this term, they will be very much missed by the staff and the children but we wish them well in their new schools.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR AUTUMN TERM

All the children have had time in their new classrooms with their new teacher and they are already looking forward to moving up. Just a reminder that Y3 and Y4 parents line up with their children at the main door and Y1 and Y2 at the lower school door. Nursery and Reception will line up at the Nursery door as usual. At the end of the day children will leave from the same door.

PE/Swimming/Forest School

All children from Reception to Year 4 should have a PE kit in school from September. (shorts, top and PE shoes or trainers, but no football strips please). Year 1/2 will need PE kit ready for week 1 onwards and Year 3 and 4 will need a swimming kit from week 2. We will continue with swimming lessons at Alnwick for the Autumn term. Reception and Year 1/2 will be doing Forest school from week 1.

Trident

Football club will begin on Thursday 14th September 3.15 - 4.15

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Can we please remind you that it is an expectation that children wear the school uniform. Please check the uniform policy which is on the school website if you are unsure. If you are thinking of having your children's ears pierced can we also remind you that jewellery including earrings should not be worn in school so have them pierced at the beginning of the holidays so that the earrings can be removed before returning to school.

If you require uniform or school bags with logos then, items can be ordered through the website below, but plain red jumpers or red cardigans can also be worn.

https://www.cloud9leisure.co.uk/rothbury-first-school

We wish all of our children and their families a safe and happy summer holiday and look forward to welcoming everyone back on **Tuesday 5th September**.

If you need to contact school urgently for any reason before then, please use our email addresses as these are still monitored regularly during the holidays:

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As always, thank you so much for all your support over the last year and for your very generous gifts and cards. It has been very much appreciated.

Best wishes for a happy, healthy holiday

Mrs Auld and Mrs Duffield (Headteachers)