



Allendale Primary School
June 2016 Newsletter

There are a lot of activities planned for the next 6 weeks. I have listed the dates below to give parents as much notice as possible; events in bold are those to which parents are warmly invited; more details will follow on certain events. The list will also be on the school website.

Thursday 9 th June	Lapwing Class outdoor learning with Mr Hopper for the morning.
Thursday 9th June	Y5 / Y6 cricket competition at Stocksfield cricket club during the school day.
Thursday 9 th June	Y1 / Y2 after school sports club starts 3.30pm – 4.30pm every Thursday until 14 th July.
Friday 10th June	Y5 / Y6 athletics competition at The Wentworth Leisure Centre during the school day.
Monday 13 th June	Swimming lesson for Y2, Y3 and Y4; swimming is 3.50 per lesson or £17.50 for the half term.
Tuesday 14 th June	Curlew Class outdoor learning with Mr Hopper at Allenbanks.
Wednesday 15 th June	Y6 residential at Ford Castle, returning Friday 17 th June.
Thursday 16 th June	Eco workshops throughout school.
Monday 20th June	Y5 / Y6 Paralympic Torch Relay workshop – Sports Hall all morning
Monday 20th June	Book Fair, organised and run by Y6 – the children will supply more information
Wednesday 22nd June	Queen’s official 90th Birthday celebration in school in the afternoon; parents welcome.
Monday 27 th June	Y4 residential to Wastwater, returning Wednesday 29 th June.
Monday 27 th June	Y5 art workshop at HBHS.
Monday 27 th June	Y6 music workshop in school.
Monday 27th June	Swimming Gala – no swimming lessons this week.
Tuesday 28 th June	Y5 music workshop
Thursday 30th June	Sports day Y4, Y5 and Y6 am; Reception, Y1, Y2 and Y3 pm. Hopefully our newly appointed Deputy Headteacher, Mr Vincent, will be attending, so a chance to meet him.
Thursday 30 th June	Bags2school will be collected.
Friday 1 st July	Annual reports will be sent out, (a new format this year so feedback would be welcome).
Wednesday 6 th July	Transition day for Y6 attending HBHS; children will spend a morning in their new class for September.
Wednesday 6 th July	Parents meeting for those children starting in Reception in September 5.30pm.
Thursday 7th July	Y2 Multi skills festival in the Sports hall in the morning.
Thursday 7th July	Y3/4 Skipping Festival at the Wentworth Leisure Centre in the morning.
Thursday 7th July	Open afternoon – following feedback from our last Open Afternoon, this is another opportunity to share your child’s work.
Friday 8th July	Y5 / Y6 art and music workshop at HBHS; short performance in the afternoon at 1.30pm.
Monday 11 th July	Art week.
Monday 11 th July	Theatre performance for the whole school, Cosmic Crew – The Search for the Cosmic Crystal.
Wednesday 13th July	Allendale Euro Football Championship on the school field.
Wednesday 13th July	Y3/Y4 tag Rugby Competition – Haydon Bridge.
Tuesday 19 th July	Circus Skills day – performance and workshops for whole school.
Wednesday 20th July	Y6 Leavers’ assembly 9.15am – Finish for Summer holidays.

Donations for the Bag2School collection can be brought into school any time before Thursday 30th June and left in the Reception area.

Congratulations to the children in Segedunum who won the House Competition last half term; Miss Honeyman will be organising a celebration for them after the Ford Castle residential trip.



Well done to our Y3 / Y4 tennis team who won the local competition at Allendale, and came 4th in the Tynedale finals at Mowden Hall. Thanks to Mrs Dunn for coaching the Year 3s and 4s. If the pupils are keen for more tennis, Allendale Sports Club has excellent courts and facilities.



Well done to the Y5 football team team who played really well against local middle schools. We didn't win any matches but everyone played with great spirit, a good effort by all the players, including those who haven't played much competitive football before. William Best was team captain and thanks to Anna for playing with great determination against all the boys!



Also well done to the Y3/Y4 tag rugby team. We sent two teams to the Tynedale finals at Hexham Middle School; there were 11 teams altogether. Well done to the B team who finished a creditable 8th. The A team played great attacking rugby and finished as Runners-up, just behind Sele School. Well done Jem Henderson, our top scorer, with 13 tries and Molly Baynes, team captain.

Finally, we have another talented sportsperson; Jake Robson is



representing Northumberland at County Cricket level.

As the weather has warmed up and we will hopefully have more sunny days, keeping well hydrated is very important. All children should bring a named water bottle to school; we have a water dispenser so chilled fresh water is readily available. Children should also wear sun protection such as sun hats and sun screen, preferably applied before school if long lasting or a named bottle can be brought in for children to apply their own. Sun screen must not be shared with other children in case of allergy and should not be applied by a member of staff unless there are special circumstances. Our Sun Protection Policy is available in full to read on our website.

Last Year's Y6 children took part in a local history topic and produced a village trail booklet which has now been published. The Village Trail booklet costs £2 and is available from the AONB office at the Village Hall. All proceeds will go to the new community benefit society, Allen Valleys Enterprise, and used for future heritage publication initiatives that the community propose.

As you will see from the list of dates, we have a morning planned when the children will spend some time in their new class. I know some parents have asked but the classes from September are not yet decided as we have had some enquiries about new children possibly starting with families thinking of moving into the area so we would like to try and confirm numbers in each year group before planning classes.

We have many activities that take place in school where parental help would be much appreciated. A few parents have approached various members of staff to offer their help; if you have some time and would like to help in school with such things as outdoor learning, trips, sports events, workshops etc. please speak to a member of staff or send an e-mail to admin@allendaleprimary.northumberland.sch.uk and we can compile a volunteer register.