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Tuesday 23rd April 2019

SUMMER HALF TERM 1 – NEWSLETTER

Welcome back to school after the Easter break! I would like to take this opportunity to welcome 3 new people to our school. Firstly, welcome to Lauren (year 4) and Zach (Nursery) - we are really pleased that you have chosen to join Embleton Primary School, and look forward to seeing you in school each day. Also, I would like to welcome Mrs Jo Brealey to the staff team. Mrs Brealey is a qualified teacher, who will be working part time with us as a Higher Level Teaching Assistant (HLTA). She joins us from a school in Morpeth. This term she will be supporting Puffin class - for the mornings Monday-Wednesday, and all day on a Friday. I know you will join me in making Mrs Brealey feel very welcome.

PE

This half-term we will not be going to Willowburn. Instead, a dance teacher will be coming in to us at school. All children will have an opportunity to work with her. Please make sure that all Y1-Y6 bring PE kit in on a Thursday (Reception and Nursery will just take shoes and socks off for their session). We will also be doing PE down at the beach. Swimming will resume for Y1-Y6 after the half-term break.

Weather and Clothing

As you know, the weather is very changeable. As a result please make sure that your child has a full range of clothing etc. in every day – sun cream, sun hats, waterproofs and wellies. It is particularly important that your child brings a coat in each day.

Bikes and Scooters

Please make sure that you are not allowing children to ride bikes and scooters on the school site. This is to ensure that everyone remains safe.

Beach School

We will be continuing to attend Beach School every Friday. Please ensure that children wear school PE kit to come to school. We will continue to monitor and assess the weather and conditions each week, and will adjust our sessions accordingly, whether that be by working in the dunes, going to a sheltered spot on the beach, going down slightly later, or coming back earlier. Assume that your child will ALWAYS be going and dress them accordingly. Please ensure coats are properly waterproof (not just shower proof), and that your child is wearing layers underneath their school hoodie. Please also ensure that your child is wearing warm socks if it is chilly - the plastic soles of many wellies do not insulate the children very well, and cold feet quickly become uncomfortable. Please make sure that your child has both wellies and trainers in school on Fridays, as if we do have to return, your child needs something to wear on their feet, other than wellies, in the classroom.

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Sun cream

Even if the weather is not particularly warm, we still regularly 'catch the sun' on our faces when we are at the beach. As a result it is important that you ensure that your child has sun cream available. We know that the majority of children are more than capable of applying it themselves, and we expect them to do so. If you know your child struggles, despite having practised at home, please let us know and we will help them. Please ensure that the sun cream is in a named bottle. Also, please note that we do not allow children to share sun cream with each other (unless they are siblings) - even if they say 'but my mum says it is OK' - in order to prevent allergic/sensitive reactions to unfamiliar products. We have some NIVEA factor 50 in our first aid kit for emergency use only.

Communication

Important information, newsletters, diary dates, class pages and weekly school and class blogs are on the school website at www.embletonprimaryschool.com. Please use this as your first port of call for finding the information you need. If there is anything else you would like to see on the website please let us know.

We will continue to send out information via email, texts and in book bags. Please make sure that if you change your email address or phone number, you let us know. This is particularly important should we need to contact you in an emergency. Please ensure that we also have a back up number of at least one other person, that can act on your behalf if we are unable to contact you.

If you would like to speak to a member of staff please either catch us at the beginning or end of day, email us (admin@vincentedwards.northumberland.sch.uk) or give us a call.

Payments to School

Please ensure payments to school are made promptly. This is particularly important for lunch money. Lunch money is due on the Monday for that week. The school can accept cash or cheques.

Diary Dates

Please find below diary dates. Please note that things may change - check the school website for most up to date information.

Kind Regards

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Diary Dates – Summer Half Term 1

Tuesday 23 rd April	School Resumes for Summer Half Term 1
Tuesday 23 rd April	Easter Celebration – 2pm
Monday 29 th April	Orcas & Y3 Quad Kids – St Paul's Alnwick
Friday 3 rd May	Parent Assembly 9am
Monday 6 th May	School Closed for Bank Holiday
Tuesday 7 th May	Y1 & Starfish Visit to Police Station
Tuesday 7 th May	Orcas Staying Safe visit from School Safeguarding Liaison
Wednesday 8 th May	Parent Lunch - Midday
Friday 10 th May	Bishop Christine to visit Beach School
Monday 13 th – Thursday 16 th May	Year 6 Breakfast Club – 8am
Friday 17 th May	Parent Assembly
Wednesday 21 st May	Parent Lunch - Midday
Friday 23 rd May	School Breaks for Half Term
Monday 3 rd June	School Resumes for Summer Half Term 2
Thursday 6 th June	Y3-5 Glendale Countryside Day
Friday 7 th June	Parent Assembly
Friday 7 th – Monday 10 th June	Y6 Residential High Borrans
Wednesday 12 th June	Parent Lunch - Midday
Wednesday 19 th June	School Sports Day 1:30-3pm
Thursday 20 th June	Y6 Leavers Service – Newcastle Cathedral
Tuesday 25 th June	Y3-4 Lifepath Brinkburn Priory

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Wednesday 26 th June	Sports Day back up day
Friday 28 th June	Parent Assembly
Monday 1 st July	Y6 Transition Sports Event DCHS
Tuesday 2 nd July	Parent Lunch - Midday
Thursday 4 th July	Transition Day (Y6 to DCHS)
Tuesday 9 th July	Book People Bus 9am-12pm
Thursday 11 th July	Leavers Worship – 9am
Thursday 11 th July	Y6 Leavers Parent Lunch - Midday
Monday 15 th July	End of Term School Trip
Wednesday 17 th July	Y6 Transition Beach School - Alnmouth
Friday 19 th July	End of Term
Wednesday 4 th September	School Resumes for Autumn Term

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