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Dear Parents,

Welcome back after the half term break. I hope you all enjoyed the additional bank holiday and the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations. The children's jubilee work has been showcased around the community - the children's design and creation of the Queen's Corgi Flash is displayed at Alnwick Gardens, the children's portraits of the Queen is exhibited at The Playhouse and our banner competition winners paraded through Alnwick.

There are a lot of activities taking place this half term and it promises to be a fun filled run up to the end of the school year.

<u>Classes for next year</u>

We will be operating 4 classes next year with the following qualified teachers: Reception & Year 1 - Mrs Stanley & Mrs Siswick (The Y1 children in the above class are those from current Reception with a summer birthday between April and August). Year 1 & 2 - Mrs Morris Year 3 & 4 - Mrs Stocks & Miss Campbell Year 5 & 6 - Mr Woods

Teaching assistants will also be supporting our children – Mrs Rutherford, Miss Irving and a new member of staff joining us in September.

Due to the variation in the number of pupils in the KS2 classes of Year 5 & 6 and Year 3 & 4, we will be operating a KS2 unit as we did this year. This will involve children being registered with their class teacher and then accessing opportunities for socialising, interaction and learning in different groups. This meet the children's needs. For example your child may have maths with their class teacher but have their grammar or spelling session with a different teacher to address their next steps.













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All children in all classes, will have the opportunity to meet their next teacher before the end of the summer term.

Sharing Learning Session

Parents are cordially invited to join us for another Sharing learning Session on Monday 27th June. This will be an opportunity for you to discuss with your child, the learning and work in their books. It is child led although their teacher will be available in the room.

Changes to the school day from September 2022

Schools will be "asked to offer" a week of at least 32.5 hours by September 2023, under plans set out in the government's white paper. Therefore, from September 2022, our school day will be extended until 3:15pm each day.

Transition Days for those moving to Middle School or Secondary School

The feeder schools should have now been in touch with parents regarding the transition days for their child. As we have more than one feeder school having their transition dates on different days, please could we ask parents to make their own arrangements to transport their child to and from the feeder schools on transition days.

Fund Raising with a GB Athlete

All of the children will be taking part in a fun fitness circuit alongside a top GB athlete. The aim is to inspire children to reach their goals whilst raising money to develop sports and PE at our school and supporting GB athletes to inspire the next generation. All children will be bringing home a sponsor form this week.

Sports Day

Weather permitting, we will be hosting our Sports Day on Thursday 30th June 1pm. Parents are welcome to join us and cheer on their children. All children will take part in carousel of activities before ending with year group track events.













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<u>Leavers Disco</u>

On Monday 18^{th} July, all children are invited to a Leavers Disco at school between 5-6:30pm. There is a cost of £3 for entry.

Leavers Assembly

Our Leavers Assembly will be taking place on Thursday 21st July at 1pm. Parents are welcome to join us. Please note only KS2 children are in the assembly and hall due to lack of space but the other children will have had the opportunity to watch their performance.

Message from Northumberland County Council

Northumberland County Council is now consulting to seek your views on school organisation for the Berwick Partnership including any implications in relation to the question on Wooler/Glendale and Belford. The consultation will run from Monday 23rd May until midnight on Friday 12th August 2022. Please visit the NCC consultation webpage here to view the full consultation document.

Dates For Diary

7th June - New reception transition visit 1:10pm-3:10pm 8th-10th June - Y6 visit to London 10th June - Y1 phonic test 14th June - Group photographs 16th June - GB Athlete fundraiser event 23rd June - New Reception Parent Meeting 5pm 27th June - Sharing Learning Session 2:30pm 30th June - Sports Day 1pm 5th-6th July Dr Thomlinson Transition Days 6th July Duchess High School Transition Day 7th-8th July Chantry Transition Days 18th July Leavers Disco 21st July Leavers Assembly















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Regards,

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