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Respect, Hope, Friendship and Forgiveness.

# Newsletter Summer Term

## Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are pleased to see everyone back in school after the half term break and hope all of you celebrating Eid over the holidays had a good time celebrating with family and friends.

We would also like to celebrate the success of our boys and girls in Years 5 and 6 who represented us at the football gala – the children demonstrated fantastic teamwork, determination and sportsmanship throughout. We had mixed results across the evening but all the children had fun. Well done everyone - we are incredibly proud of how they represented the school.

Attendance for this week is 92.7%. Let's increase this next week as this has dropped from before the half term break.

Best wishes,  
Mr Blackburn.

### Birthday Treats - Nut Allergies:

Following updated guidance and in line with Benedict's Law, we are writing to inform you of an important change to our school practices. From the first day back after the Spring Bank holiday, we will no longer be able to allow any edible birthday treats to be brought into school. This decision has not been taken lightly. However, due to the presence of severe nut allergies within our school community, it is essential that we take every possible step to minimise risk and ensure that all children are kept safe at all times. This change reflects both national guidance and our ongoing commitment to safeguarding every pupil. We understand that celebrating birthdays is very important to children, and we appreciate that this may cause some disappointment. We sincerely apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and thank you for your continued understanding and support in helping us keep everyone safe.

### Phonics Screening Check and Multiplication Timestables Check:

Next week, our Year 1 children will be taking part in the Phonics Screening Check and our Year 4 pupils will complete the Multiplication Tables Check. The phonics check is a short, one-to-one activity where children read words to show how well they can use their sounds to read, while the Year 4 check is a quick online quiz that assesses how confidently children can recall their times tables facts. We are incredibly proud of all the children, who have been working hard and practicing in class to prepare for these assessments. They have shown great effort and determination, and we know they will do their very best. Please make sure your child arrives at school on time next week and has early nights.

### Dates for your diaries:

World Cup Non-Uniform Day –  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June

EY/KS1 Sports Day  
– Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup>  
June PM

KS2 Sports Day –  
Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July  
PM

KS2 Performance –  
Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July  
6pm

KS2 Performance –  
Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July  
1.30pm

Summer Fayre –  
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July  
2pm

Picnic Day –  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July

School closes for  
end of term –  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July



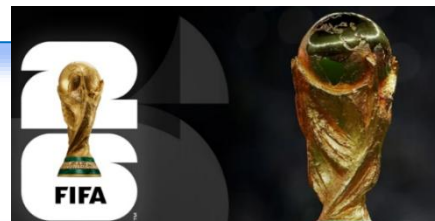
### World Cup Launch:

This week, we launched our World Cup project! Each class selected two countries from a draw, which will represent their class teams throughout the tournament.

On Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> June, to coincide with the start of the World Cup, children will take part in activities to learn more about their chosen countries, including their culture, geography and sporting history. To celebrate the occasion, children are invited to come to school dressed in their team colours. In exchange for this we are asking for a donation of **suitable, vegetarian sweets** for our tombola at the Summer Fayre.

Teachers will share details of the appropriate team colours on their ClassDojo stories prior to the day.

We are looking forward to an exciting launch for World Cup 2026 and to giving children the opportunity to learn about the many countries participating in this global event.



### Free School Meals:

The Department for Education has issued new guidance detailing the end of transitional protections and the introduction of the new eligibility criteria for families entitled to Free School Meals. If you are currently entitled to free school meals, we will be in touch to recheck your entitlement. This is in line with the changes that the Department for Education have made. If you currently are entitled, then you DO NOT need to reapply via the online platform.

From September, the criteria for Free School Meals will change. To view these changes, as more families may now be entitled, please visit the following link: <https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/schools/free-school-meals.aspx>. Please ensure when applying you choose the option of the next term (ie September) to ensure the new criteria applies.

### ★ St John's Stars ★

	Haniya
	Abu Bakar & Armaan
	Ava
	Azlan
	Angel
	Khaddar
	Alicia
	Musa I



### Weekly Attendance

	91%
	76%
	94%
	97%
	95%
	99%
	98%
	92%