



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

3rd July 2026



EVENTS FOR NEXT WEEK

Monday

Class 3 & 4 - arrive in PE kits

Tuesday

Class 3 arrive in outdoor PE kit.

QES TRANSITION DAY

Wednesday

C1& 2 arrive in PE kits
Year 5—final guitar lesson.

Thursday

MUSCLE MATTERS RUN

1.30pm—Send old clothes to change in to after lunch.

Friday

Class 1 Forest Friday
Bring wellies.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS SUMMER TERM 2

Monday

Y3-6 out door fun club 3.20-4.30pm

Tuesday

Mr Blair's Y1/Y2 Outdoor Fun Club 3.15-4pm

Wednesday

Y3 –6 Theatre Club 4-6pm



Dear Parents,
Please see below the details of our important fundraising event for the muscular dystrophy charity, which is very important to us and which will be a fun event for the children.

MUSCLE MATTERS—Thursday 9th July

Our Muscles Matter Colour Mission is fast approaching with the event being next Thursday. This is just a reminder that children need to come to school in the morning on Thursday wearing their white t-shirt that they are happy to get the coloured powder paint on. They also need trousers and trainers they don't mind getting paint on. Although, the paint is supposed to come out of all clothes, it is best to be prepared for a little discolouration. If you plan on collecting your child in the car at the end of the school day then you might want to consider bringing a towel for children to sit on and also a change of t-shirt/trousers.

Children who wear glasses will take their glasses off when the colour is put on to the child's t-shirt. The colour will be thrown on to the t-shirt by an adult from a close distance to the child and aimed only at the t-shirt not above or below. It should not go near the face/head/hair but if the children wish to wear swimming goggles or sunglasses or a hat then of course they can.

FOSP are kindly supplying an ice cream treat for the children. Ice lollies will be provided for children who cannot have dairy.

Parents who have already expressed (on their consent form), that they would like to watch, please arrive at 1.20pm via the main school office and sign in. If you have not signed up for this option and now would like to spectate then please email Mrs Towe. It is essential we know before the event how many we are expecting.

Parents who have offered to help or join in then Mrs Towe will be in touch via email, early next week to give you a little more information, a role and a time to arrive. In the event that the event has to be cancelled due to the weather, you will be notified the afternoon before.

Lastly, please ask family and friends to help us fundraise by sharing the QR code below. This links people directly to the 'Just Giving' page that we have set up in collaboration with Muscular Dystrophy UK.

It should be an amazing memorable event.



Muscles Matter Colour Challenge

Colour run, fun activities and treats.



Scan QR code to find out more or go to
<https://www.justgiving.com/page/st-patricks>

CLASS 4 DALLAM SPORTS

C4 has a fabulous afternoon out at Dallam to enjoy the Lacrosse festival with other local primary schools. All of our teams showed great team spirit, worked hard and were successful in their matches. We were really proud of their attitude and skill.

SPORTS DAY

We were pleased to finally celebrate Sports Day. The sun shone (but not too much) and all children were well behaved and worked hard. There were some amazing performances from parents too and it is always so great for the children to see their parents get up and give it a go. We will celebrate the event in Monday's assembly next week and announce the winners.

PAYING FOR SERVICES

From September we will NOT be allowing children to be left behind at school and put in to afterschool club unless they have been booked in beforehand. We will telephone and ask you to collect your child. We have asked on numerous occasions that parents book in advance but it is still not happening. We then find ourselves with more children than we had catered for and leaves Mrs Winterburn chasing payment. From September all wraparound care—including for those in Preschool must book via the Arbor app. This will ensure that we can monitor ratios, and equally importantly, not allow for any debts to build up.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

The summer holidays are coming up fast. If you are wanting something for your children to do, then why not let them take part in this year's reading summer challenge. I have added the link below for you to find out more.

[Summer Reading Challenge](#)

SCHOOL MEALS

As local headteachers we have been discussing the costs of school meals, but because we have Simon as our in house cook and do not go through an external provider, we have managed to keep costs down. I know the Orion, who provides for some schools, is raising costs significantly in September to a figure well beyond what we charge.

While I understand that parents also face these additional costs, I'm afraid we have no option but to increase the costs of our meals too. They will go up to £2.85 a meal in September, which is still less than a meal deal in the supermarket and good value I think for a cooked meal.

LOWTHER CASTLE TRIP

The children had a fantastic time at Lowther Castle yesterday. The weather was perfect and it was so lovely to see all the children playing together on a really exciting playground. From zip lines to slides and swings, they thoroughly enjoyed a day of movement and play.

Mrs. Stones

Yesterday we went to Lowther Castle and we really enjoyed it there. We played on the slides and walked through a garden full of flowers. At lunchtime we saw a Robin on a tree while we ate our food on picnic tables. At the park there were slides, zip lines, monkey bars and lots of stuff to climb on. My favourite part of the day was when I was going down the wiggly slide.

Maddie

MONEYJAM

This week year 3, 4, 5 and 6 had a session with Cumberland Building Society called 'MoneyJam' where they learnt about managing a budget and prioritising what you spend your money on through the task of planning a party. They had to adapt their plan when they were told their budget had changed. They worked in groups and had to debate and compromise to make final decisions. The children enjoyed the task and learnt lots about managing finances.

YEAR 6 SATs

We have just been notified that the Year 6 SATs results have been delayed this year due to a system failure. Therefore, the results will not be available until Thursday, 16th July.

Kind regards.

S Edmondson
Head Teacher