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Dear Parents

23rd April 2019

PE – Summer Term

PE this term will continue to be on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons for Years 1 - 4. Please can you make sure that children have their PE kit in school, including trainers for outdoor PE, and a choice of jogging bottoms and shorts, depending on the weather. Mr Barry Collins will continue to do Multisports every Tuesday afternoon, including a Sports club after school, and on Thursdays there will be Dance for the first half of term taught by Miss Pippa Wilde, and Gymnastics for the second half of term taught by Miss Gayle Crowell. We will also have a morning of sports in the second half of term with Mr Williams. Early Years will have PE on Wednesday afternoon, and Thursday morning. There may be other times when pupils need their kit in school, so please make sure it is always there.

After School Clubs

Please remember the PE club that is run by the QEHS students starts THIS week on Thursday 25th April. It would be good to see as many children there as possible. This will run for three weeks, and then I am trying to arrange another PE club to follow on, so I will let you know what this will be as soon as possible. The other clubs will start next Monday, 29th April. Please could you fill in the permission slip so we know who to expect.

Pupil-led Collective Worship

We have started to involve the children in planning and leading Collective Worship, based on some of the Christian values we have been exploring in our Worship times. They have been doing it for a term, and now that they have had a chance to try it out, we would like to invite parents to join us on the Friday mornings that they are leading. Please feel free to join us whether your child is involved or not – this is an act of Collective Worship, and we would love to have you with us. It usually lasts about 15 minutes and is a lovely opportunity to share thoughts and have a moment of stillness together.

Summer Ceilidh

The Hunter family have booked the Parish Hall for Saturday 18th May, and you are all invited to a Summer Ceilidh. This is NOT a fundraiser, it is just an opportunity to spend time together having fun. It is open to all friends of the school, old and young. Entry is free, but please bring a contribution for a shared supper, and invite as many people as you can. Hopefully the weather will be as kind as it was last year, and we will see if we can beat our record for the longest set of 'Strip the Willow' outside on the field!

There are lots of things going on this term, so please see the calendar overleaf for important dates.

Yours sincerely

Miss Jenny Morgan

Dates for the term

Monday 29 th April	Class 2 Forest School
Monday 6 th May	Spring Bank Holiday – School closed
Tuesday 7 th May	EYFS Forest School
Friday 10 th May	Year 4 Collective Worship 9.15 am 3.30 – 4.30 pm Sponsored Danceathon to raise money for the Forest School Yurt
Monday 13 th May	Class 1 Forest School
Saturday 18 th May	Summer Ceilidh 6.00 – 8.00 pm
Monday 20 th May	Class 1 & 2 Forest School
Friday 24 th May	Year 3 Collective Worship 9.15 am
Mon 27 th May – Fri 31 st May	HALF TERM HOLIDAY
Monday 3 rd June	Class 2 Forest School
Friday 7 th June	Year 2 Collective Worship 9.15 am
Saturday 8 th June	Football Match arranged by Class 2 to raise money for WE Charity 2 – 4 pm
Monday 10 th June	Class 1 Forest School
Wednesday 12 th June	Early Years Forest School
Friday 14 th June	PE morning with Mr Williams
Monday 17 th June	Science Week Introduction Day
Thursday 20 th June	Year 4 Leaver’s Service at Newcastle Cathedral
Friday 21 st June	Science Week final day
Sunday 23 rd June	Hexhamshire Open Gardens Festival- Whitley Chapel School is on the trail!
Monday 24 th June	Class 2 Forest School
Saturday 29 th June	Summer Fair 11am – 1 pm
Monday 1 st July	Class 1 Forest School
Tuesday 2 nd July	Early Years Forest School
Friday 5 th July	Year 1 Collective Worship 9.15 am
Monday 8 th July	Transition Day and Early Years Picnic
Friday 12 th July	Reception Collective Worship 9.15 am
Monday 15 th July	Class 1 & 2 Forest School
Tuesday 16 th July	Whole School Trip to Gibside
Wednesday 17 th July	Sports Day 9.30 am
Thursday 18 th July	Sports day, if Wednesday is wet
Friday 19 th July	Leavers Service St Helen’s Church 1.30 pm Break up for Summer holidays 2.15 pm
Tuesday 3 rd September	Beginning of Autumn term

Some of these dates may need to change, but we will keep you informed by letter and Facebook if they do.