



St Anne's Newsletter 03.02.23

This week our overall attendance was **89.7%**. Please make every effort to ensure your child gets to school every day and **on time** to help us achieve our target. Our attendance this week is really poor. We expect to see an improvement next week. In line with our policy, the appropriate concern letters will be issued, so please work with school to help improve your child's attendance, so they can have the best chance to thrive and develop. We have attached some posters to the newsletter regarding attendance.

Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4 / 5	Year 6
Attendance	93%	93%	90%	95%	80%	88%

Attendance Scheme

Your child may have told you that we have launched a new attendance scheme in school. Each day that your child is in school, they will receive a star. They can then add their star to their chart. At the end of each term they will be able to access the attendance shop and use their stars to purchase a prize. For example, if your child attends school for 40 days this term, they will have 40 credits to use in the attendance shop. The class with the best attendance across the week will receive a certificate and be awarded with an additional playtime. Children are really excited about this and it is a great way to promote a positive attitude towards the importance of attendance.



STARS OF THE WEEK

Reception – Archie

For his excellent independent writing.

Year 1 – Stewart

For fantastic subtraction work in Maths.

Year 2 – Lexi

For excellent effort with her handwriting.

Year 3 – Mason

For putting 100% effort in all areas of learning.

Year 4 – Sam

For his navigation skills in orientation.

Year 5 – Lucia

For her excellent effort in her diary entry.

Year 6 – Olivia

For excellent work when exploring characters in English.

YEAR 6 SATS REVISION GUIDE

As discussed in the Year 6 SATs meeting, children have now received their SATs revision guides. Mrs Henry encourages children to spend 15 minutes or so, three times per week, focusing on either English, Spelling Punctuation and Grammar or Maths, to help them prepare for the upcoming SATs. Mrs Henry will set homework tasks from these guides and children will complete tasks from the revision guides in school, as well as at home.

PARENT PAY BALANCES

Parents are reminded to login to their ParentPay account and clear any negative balances as soon as possible.

SAFER INTERNET DAY

On Wednesday 8th February, it is Safer Internet Day. Children will take part in a range of activities on how to stay safe online.



INFORMATION

Accident Reporting

From 8th February, we will no longer be issuing paper accident reports, instead, we will be using our new system, Notify, and email accident summaries to parents. It is important that we have up to date email addresses for primary contact 1 and 2.

Year 6 Residential

We now have final numbers for the Year 6 residential to Dukeshouse Wood. A letter with further information and a payment plan will be issued next week and the payment item will be added to ParentPay.

Mr H Outdoors

Today, year 4/5 have been working on their grid referencing skills with Mr H and used this knowledge for their orienteering activity. They used lots of information to help them find each orange flag around the local area with a different map symbol written on each one. They all did a brilliant job and definitely earned their daily steps goal!



WEDUC PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT

We are now live with Weduc. We will use this for all parental engagement and communication. We have issued enrolment messages for all parents and carers to register. It is very important that you do so, as we will be moving away from Groupcall (text messaging) and ParentPay in April. Please contact the office if you are unable to register.

Newsfeed

To access the newsfeed click on read or share news and ideas in the newsfeed. Here you will see things that are going on in school, important information and updates.

Absences

Pupil absences can be reported by accessing the parent portal, selecting your child, and then clicking report an absence.

Calendar

All events are added to Weduc and you will receive reminders via the app when events are taking place, so you never have to miss anything. To access it you can click on the calendar icon or click view upcoming events in your calendar.

Forms

Holiday requests are to be made via Weduc also. To do this, you click on complete and submit forms, select your child, click available forms and then select leave of absence request and then complete the form and click submit. There is also a form available to change your contact details.

Messages

You can also message the office directly by clicking on the mail icon in the centre at the bottom of the app. You can then select a new message and search for Office Mailbox. You then add a subject and add the information and then click the send icon. Please note, absences must be reported via the absences module as detailed above.

The Hub

The hub contains useful information and links that open directly in the App, such as the website, Numbots and Timetables Rock stars. More resources will be added soon, including Reading Plus, uniform, newsletters, parents evening bookings, key policies and more.

Notices

We will be using notices to illustrate important messages that will ping to your device.



EVENTS

All of these events have been added to Weduc and our website.

Date	Class	Event
Wednesday 8 th February 2023	Year 4/5	Swimming
Wednesday 8 th February 2023	Toddler Group	Toddler group continues
Thursday 16 th February 2023	Reception, Year 1 and 2	Curriculum coffee morning presentation of work - More details to follow
Friday 17 th February 2023	KS1	Mass at Church – 10am
Friday 17 th February 2023	Year 3, 4, 5 and 6	Curriculum coffee morning presentation of work more details to follow
HALF TERM		
Monday 20th February – Friday 24th February 2023		
Thursday 2 nd March 2023	Whole School	World Book Day – Dress up as your favourite book character
Friday 3 rd March 2023	EYFS, 1 and 2	2.15pm Lent Liturgy (all welcome)
Tuesday 7 th March 2023	Whole School	Parents Evening. 1pm to 6pm. (more information to follow).
Thursday 9 th March 2023	Year 3	2.15pm Lent Liturgy (all welcome)
Friday 10 th March 2023	Whole School	2.00pm Mother’s Day Event
Friday 17 th March 2023	Whole School	2.00pm Mother’s Day Event
Friday 17 th March 2023	Whole School	Red Nose Day. All day- (more information to follow).
Friday 24 th March 2023	Year 6	Mass at Church -10am
Friday 24 th March 2023	Year 4/5	2.15pm Lent Liturgy (all welcome)
Tuesday 28 th March	KS2	Dance festival – time to be confirmed
Friday 31 st March 2023	Year 6	2.00pm Lent Liturgy- Stations of the Cross (all welcome)
Friday 31 st March 2023	Whole School	School break up for Easter Holidays at 3.15pm
Monday 17 th April 2023	Whole School	First day back after Easter Holidays – 8:50am
Monday 17 th April 2023	Whole School	Class Photos.



GATESHEAD MUSIC SERVICE

We have attached a flyer below, which contains information about a free to attend scheme where children aged 7-18 can join a band!

**Join a
BAND**
Ages 7 to 18
years

FREE To Attend

gatesheadandsouthtynesidemusicshub.co.uk

Gateshead Music Ensembles,
Chowdene Children's Centre,
Waverley Road,
Harlow Green
NE9 7TU

Youth Orchestra
Tuesday 4 30- 5 45
Grade 3 plus

String Band
Thursday 4 15 - 5 15
Beginner - Grade 3

Ceilidh Band
Thursday 5.45-6 30
Any instrument, any level

Wind Band
Thursday 4 30- 5 30
Beginner - Grade 3

Brass Band
Beginner - Grade 3
Wednesday 4 15- 5 45

barbaramurray@gateshead.gov.uk
0191 433 8685

ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

GOOD TIMEKEEPING MATTERS

Did you know that being 15 minutes late each day is the same as missing two weeks of school? *



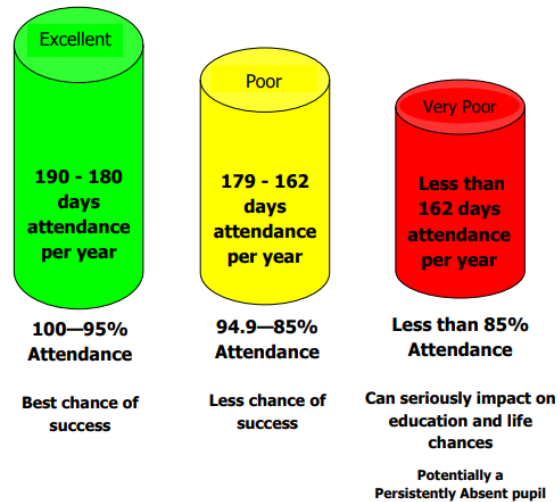
*over one full academic year

**EVERY DAY COUNTS
but every minute is important**

LOST MINUTES = LOST LEARNING

Good Attendance Means.....

- ☉ being in school at least 95% of the time OR
- ☉ being in school between 180 and 190 days each year



There are only 190 school days each year. That leaves 175 days not at school for shopping and holidays.

