

# Newsletter



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Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome to the Summer Term.

I am delighted to welcome everyone back to school after the Easter Break. I wish to say a special welcome to the new children who have started school in the 2 year old nursery and 3 year old nursery and in other classes throughout school. They are all settling in well.

We are pleased to welcome back Mrs Winter and Mrs Foster who have both recovered from their illnesses.

## **30 Hours of Free Childcare**

**We are delighted to announce that Governors have agreed that Wessington Primary will offer the 30 hours of free childcare for 3&4 year olds of working parents, who meet the eligibility criteria, in September 2017.**

Please pass this information on to family and friends and ask them to register with the school office.

## **Nut Allergy**

We have a pupil and a member of staff in school who has anaphylaxis a severe food allergy to nuts. It is important that there is a strict avoidance to this food in order to prevent a life-threatening allergic reaction. We are asking for your help to provide the pupil and staff with a safe school environment.

Any exposure to nuts may cause a life-threatening allergic reaction that requires emergency medical treatment. To reduce the chance of this occurring, we are asking that you do not send any nut containing products to school with your child that will be eaten in school. Please be aware this includes packed lunches i.e. peanut butter, cereal bars containing nuts etc. If your child has eaten peanuts/nuts before coming to school, please be sure your child's hands and face have been thoroughly washed before entering the school.

## **Illness**

If your child is diagnosed from a doctor with a contagious illness can you please inform the school office as soon as possible?

## **Meal Arrangements**

We have a lot of children moving back onto our delicious school dinners and the new menus contain some really tasty foods. If you wish to change lunch arrangements then please let the office know **at least a week** in advance so that we can alter the kitchen food orders. A **half term's** notice is required for anyone moving to packed lunches as staff and food orders may have to be changed. Please note that the price of school meals are £10.00 per week. Payment for dinners should be made on Monday mornings by cash. You are cordially reminded that no change is given for school dinners which means any overpayment will be credited the following week. If you wish to pay by cheque you must first register your cheque guarantee card with Mrs Forster at the school office.

### Internet Payments

Please remember you can pay for school dinners and daycare fees online through the City of Sunderland website.

I am sure you will appreciate that this system will save parents/carers from carrying large sums of money around and it means you can pay fees in the comfort of your own home.

Please follow the instructions below:

[www.sunderland.gov.uk](http://www.sunderland.gov.uk)

Click on the **Do it online, Pay for it** tab in the green box to the right of the screen

Select **school meals and other school expenses**

Select **Wessington Primary School**

Select either **School Meals/Daycare**.

### Diary Dates

<b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April -</b>	Reception Class visit to Washington Wetlands Centre
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May -</b>	Bank Holiday – school closed.
<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Year 6 Sats in school. Breakfast will be served each day from 8.15 a.m. for all Year 6 pupils.
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May -</b>	Year 1 class assembly at 9.15 a.m.
<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May -</b>	Celebration Assembly (please note this is changed from 25 <sup>th</sup> May)
<b>Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	School closed for half term.
<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June -</b>	Year 6 visiting Safety works.
<b>Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June -</b>	Year 6 taking part in Hit the Surf School will be open as usual but used as Polling Station.
<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	Some of Year 6 visiting Derwent Hill for the week remaining pupils taking part in various school visits throughout the week.
<b>Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June -</b>	Y4 trip to Life Centre.
<b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July -</b>	School reports go out today.
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July -</b>	Celebration Assembly
<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July -</b>	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July -</b>	Year 6 Leavers lunch. School breaks up for the Summer Holidays.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Young  
Headteacher

