

# *Byerley Park Primary School Newsletter*

## *Issue 10*

### *25<sup>th</sup> February 2019*

#### **KS2 SATs dates for 2019 and Assessments for all pupils**



**Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> May - Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2019.**

All Y6 pupils will be having SATs tests during this week. It is **VITAL** that all Y6 children are in school during all of this week. Failure to attend school for any of the SATs tests will result in the pupil not being awarded the grade that their hard work deserves.

The rest of the school will take on-going assessment tests throughout the months of May and June.

#### **Revised morning procedures on school yard**

Please note, there has been a change in procedures in the mornings at the beginning of the school day.

A member of the Senior Leadership Team will continue to be on the school yard from 8.50am – 9am. However, at 9am, a member of Teaching Support staff will come out to bring the children into school instead of the Class Teacher. If you have anything that you need to relay to your child's teacher, please let this member of Teaching Support Staff know. They will make a note of it and pass the message on.

If the matter is confidential, please contact the school, either by email ([byerleypark@durhamlearning.net](mailto:byerleypark@durhamlearning.net)) or by telephone (01325 300598).

This practice has been altered to ensure that your child's learning can start promptly at 9am.

#### **Water in School**



We have noticed more and more that children are either:

- bringing bottles filled with juice,
- bringing empty bottles that need to be filled during valuable lesson time first thing in the morning,
- not bringing a water bottle at all

We are a healthy, active school and we encourage our children to drink water for its hydration and increased concentration benefits. In a time when dental hygiene is a priority for the Health Authority, and it is recognised that juice is not good for teeth, please can I ask all parents to support us in only sending in bottles filled with plain water.

Non-spill, durable, sports style water bottles are available from school for only £1.50. These can be paid for via your Parentpay account.



**Advance Notice - Easter Competition -Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019**



Get your thinking caps on! Once again, the Friends of Byerley Park will be holding an Easter competition for **pupils** who wish to participate.

Children are asked to create something with an Easter theme – it could be a decorated egg, an Easter bonnet, an Easter picture or a card or model - the choice is yours!

**All entries cost £1** and every entrant will receive a crème egg. There will be first, second and third prize winners in every class.

Children should bring their entries and money **into their class** on the morning of Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April. Judging will take place later that morning and winners will be given their prizes in Assembly. Children will be able to take their creations home at the end of school on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April.

**PTA meetings**

There will be an informal meeting of parents at Siesta coffee shop on the Industrial Estate tomorrow (Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February) at 9.15 ish for any interested parents who would like to get involved with the PTA.

There will be a PTA meeting in school at 3.30pm on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March, to discuss and plan for the Summer Fayre. All interested parents are invited to attend.

**PTA Summer Fayre**  
**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June, 3pm – 4.30pm**

Please make a note of the date and if you can, please come along to the Summer Fayre to support your PTA.

In connection with the Summer Fayre, please take a look at the poster at the end of this newsletter, in which the PTA are asking for donations towards the Summer Fayre.

**World Book Day – 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

For information, we **will not** be having a dress up day for World Book Day this year. However, we will be sending out £1 tokens this week for you to use in participating book shops.

**Helpful dates for the Diary for this half term**



Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Selected pupils all day	Key Steps Gymnastics
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> February	Y6 all day	Educational visit to Locomotion museum
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Y1 morning	Judo Festival at NALC
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Y3 morning	Judo Festival at NALC
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> March	Y5 all day	Educational visit to Hamsterley Forest
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Y4 morning	Visit to Darlington Hippodrome - Tom Gates
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Y5 all day	Greenfield Experience day
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> March	PTA 3.30pm	PTA meeting in School
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Y5 all day	Visit to Durham University

**School will be closed to pupils on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, due to staff INSET day.**

Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Y5 morning	Dance Festival at NALC
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> March	whole school from 3.30pm	Parents' Evening
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> March	whole school from 3.30pm	Parents' Evening
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Rec & Y1 all day	Educational visit to Beamish Museum
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	whole school	PTA led Easter competition
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> April	KS2 afternoon	Talent Show for pupils

**School closes at 3.30pm on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April for Easter holidays. We re-open on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April.**



# WE NEED YOUR HELP



*Parents, Friends and Carers of Byerley Park*

*We need you!*



We are holding a **Summer Fayre on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2019**, and would like to ask for donations of raffle and tombola prizes. Let's make this a record breaking event in raising funds for equipment for the children.

If you have any unwanted gifts, alcohol, toiletries or chocolates etc., that you no longer want, or if you run a business and could offer a prize, we would **very much appreciate it**.

**We also welcome donations of time if anyone would like to help.**

All items greatly received, and can be passed to any member of staff or to the PTA.

*Thank you! Your PTA*

