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Whit Monday

I was incredibly proud of Montalbo's Parade group that took part in The Procession on Whit Monday. I thought you all looked absolutely fantastic and was so impressed with the amount of parents and staff who joined in the fun too! I felt our entry gave The Procession a real 'carnival feel' and that the trophy awarded was richly deserved. Thank you all the volunteer face painters, parents who assisted on the day and at the club and staff who helped run the group and attend.

General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)

As you may know, new legislation has been introduced around the data that all organisations collect and store. We have produced a privacy statement outlining why we need information on pupils and what we do with it. The link is on the information section of OurSchoolsApp or can be found on our website at <http://www.montalbo.durham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/82/2014/07/Privacy-Notice-for-pupils.pdf> If you have any questions about the privacy statement, please ask me.

Father's Day

Again this year, we will be having a few activities in school to celebrate Father's Day. The event in school will be on Friday 15th June at 2pm and fathers, grandfathers or any relative that can attend are very welcome. I hope that the weather will be kind to us as it was last year.

Sports Day

Due to the field being cordoned off, we are going to have our Sports Day this year at Barnard Castle Cricket Club. We plan to start at 1.30pm on July 10th and we would love to see you there. We are very grateful to the Cricket Club and are looking forward to the afternoon.

Year 4, 5 and 6 Summer Performance

As we approach the end of term, work in and around the school hall will accelerate. Just in case we are disrupted, we thought we should organise the Summer Performance out of school and have booked Glaxo Sports and Social Club. The first performance will be on Tuesday July 17th, starting at 1.30pm and the second performance will be on Wednesday July 18th with a 6pm start.

NSPCC Assembly

Every couple of years, the NSPCC visit school to give an assembly and important age-appropriate messages about keeping safe. Afterwards, they have some short workshops in different classes. A letter has been sent out today outlining some of the content.

FOMS Bingo Night

There was a good crowd in for FOMS Bingo on Thursday night. Thank you to FOMS for organising this and making the refreshments. Thank you also to Mrs Patterson and Mrs Bartoli who helped to look after the children. FOMS agreed to make a generous donation to Cancer Research as the Bingo Ladies, Elaine, Pam and Mary do some amazing work for that charity. The next FOMS Meeting is on June 13th at 5pm in school. All welcome.

Edinburgh

I know that the Y5/6 children who are going to the Edinburgh residential on Monday are very excited. These activities always provide some great memories. As well as learning about the culture of a contrasting location, the children learn some other important skills as they cope without their families for three days! I hope that the children and staff have an amazing time and remind you that you need to be **at school for 8am on Monday**.

Sports

This week the girls' cricket team went to Willington and played well, winning two and losing two. The footballers will have learnt a lot from this campaign and most of our young squad will be stronger next

year from this years' experience. Today, 16 children from Year 5/6 and 8 from Y3/4 went to compete in an athletics competition and I will let you know how they got on next week.

Judo

On Monday the classes enjoyed excellent judo taster sessions by Glynn Fidgeon. He has an entertaining teaching style and kept the children engaged very well. Glynn will be running some judo sessions at The Hub and you should have received a leaflet about the sessions earlier this week.

Wrap, splat, hat competition

Dr Greenwell has asked me to mention that the design a sunhat competition deadline is approaching. If your child is interested in entering, please send in their designs by Monday.

1940s weekend June 22nd- June 24th

Mr Blissett, one of our governors, helps to organise the 1940s weekend in town. This year there a number of events planned centring around the castle. I know some children joined Mrs Ridley and I last year and we went on the old service bus to the Bowes Museum. The bus is not running this year but I am happy to meet as a group and walk down to the castle if there is enough interest. The children dressed in 1940s clothing and many of them were evacuees. Please let me know by completing the reply slip at the bottom.

Uniform Orders

Last date for orders to be received in school ready for delivery by end of term is June 15th. Online orders can be placed direct to the company and delivered to your home address for a small fee paid to suppliers after this cut-off date. To order for nursery follow this link <https://studentuniform.co.uk/mon074> and to order for Reception – Y6 follow this link <https://studentuniform.co.uk/mops072>

Attendance for w.b. 4.6.18

Class	Present
Mrs Bartoli's Reception	87.8%
Miss Lauder's Class	89.7%
Miss Blackburn's Class	91.3%
Dr Greenwell's Class	89.2%
Miss Richardson's Class	91.6%
School Total	90.1%

Dates for the diary

June 5 th	Y5/6 Girls Cricket (team of 8) at Willington Cricket Club 10-2.15pm
June 5 th	New Reception Starters Meeting 4pm
June 8 th	Quad Kids Athletics (selected children from Y3-6)
June 11 th -13 th	Y5/6 Residential to Edinburgh
June 13 th	FOMS Meeting in school 5pm
June 14 th 21 st 28 th and July 5 th	New Reception starter transition sessions
June 15 th	Father's Day activities in school from 2pm
June 18 th	Y5/6 Pond dipping at The Hub
June 20 th	Adventurous activities at The Hub
June 25 th	Football tournament at Woodland Primary School
July 10 th	Sports Day 1.30pm at Barnard Castle Cricket Club

Mr Minikin, Head Teacher

Punctuality

Please ensure that your child arrives at school no later than 8.55a.m. in order to make a prompt start for lessons. Remember Wake Up, Shake Up usually starts at 8.45a.m. **1 hour 24 minutes** of learning was lost to lateness this week.

1940s Weekend - Saturday June 22nd

My child/renis/are interested in joining in the 1940's weekend on Saturday 22nd June and will meet at school for **2:00pm**

Signed.....

Parent/Carer