



May 23rd 2025

Meet Procession

Miss Crampton and the Meet Club team are excited for the Meet Procession on Bank Holiday Monday. We have another large entry, and I look forward to coming along too!

Please meet at Glaxo carpark in your costumes from 11.30am, ready for judging at 12pm!

The parade will start promptly at 1pm and we will make our way down the town, finishing at Barnard Castle School entrance. All children must be accompanied by an adult on the day.

Babul's Visit School

After last week's great experience at Babul's for our Year 6 children, it was the children's turn to make curries this week. The class did a superb job and impressed our visitors, Foy and Jay, from Babul's. We definitely have some future chefs in the making – well done Year 6!

Sporting Visits

There have been a number of sporting visits this week. Our Year 4 children enjoyed cricket at Raby Castle whilst our Year 1 children had a great time at Multiskills where they took part in rounders, football, javelin and hide and seek.

Year 1 Farm trip

On Monday 2nd June Year 1 will be visiting Explorer's farm, children will have an early lunch before leaving and will return to school before the end of the day. Children should come to school wearing their school polo top and jumper/cardigan. They can wear suitable trousers/shorts, which does not have to be school uniform and sensible footwear depending on the weather. Please also send a coat, hat etc. in a bag that your child can carry and if we are lucky enough to have a sunny day, please also apply suncream before your child comes to school.

Brightwoods

This week saw the first of our visits to Brightwoods with our Year 2 children having a great day on Tuesday. The children enjoyed roasting marshmallows on the campfire and made bugs from clay, they also explored the river area and got very wet!

Bikeability

On Monday 2nd June, Bikeability sessions for our Year 6 children who would like to participate will begin. For those children, please remember your roadworthy bike, helmet, suitable footwear and a waterproof and please make sure you completed the consent form.

Reception New Starter Meeting

We are looking forward to welcoming our new Reception cohort to school in September. Miss Lauder has arranged for a Parents/Carer information session to take place on Wednesday 18th June at 3.30pm. This will take place in our Y6 classroom, I look forward to seeing you there.

Year 6 at the Hub

Mrs Channell has arranged for two days of fun, outdoor and adventurous activities for our Year 6 children to look forward to after SATs. We recognise the expense of residentials for our families so try to stay local to minimise costs to parents/carers. All school budgets are under increasing pressures and we need parental contributions to ensure that these experiences can take place. Details can be found on ParentPay – thank you.

Half Term

As we come to the end of what must be the shortest half term ever, we hope that you enjoy a great half term. It is an exciting time for children with all of the Meet events and hope that the weather stays fine, especially on Monday. We look forward to seeing our children on Monday, June 2nd.

Attendance

This week's attendance figures are below. Well done Reception!

Class	Attendance this week (%)
Reception	96.3
Year 1	93.9
Year 2	95.3
Year 3	88.7
Year 4	90
Year 5	94.7
Year 6	95
Whole School	93.4%

Dates for the Diary

May 26 th	Meet Procession
May 26 th – 30 th	Whit Half Term
June 2 nd	Children return to school
June 2 nd – 5 th June	Year 6 Bikeability
June 2 nd – 13 th	Year 4 Multiplication Check
June 6 th	Yr5/Yr6 Athletics at Bishop Barrington
June 5 th	Nursery Buttercups to Brightwoods
June 9 th – 13 th	Year 1 Phonics Screening
June 12 th	Nursery Daisies trip to Brightwoods
June 13 th	Father's Day Event (pm)
June 18 th	Reception New Starters Parent/Carer Meeting
June 17 th	Reception trip to Brightwoods
June 19 th	Year 1 to Brightwoods
June 20 th	Year 2 Assembly 9am - 9.30am
June 20 th	Yr4/5/6 Football at Staindrop
June 24 th -25 th	Year 6 Residential Trip
June 24 th	Year 5 to Brightwoods
June 26 th	Year 6 to Brightwoods
June 27 th	Reception Assembly 9am
June 30 th	Year 5 Rounders Festival
July 1 st	Nursery Sports Day and Picnic
July 1 st	Year 4 Brightwoods
July 2 nd	Whole School Sports Day (Rec – Y6)
July 3 rd	Year 3 Brightwoods
July 4 th	Year 1 Assembly 9am
July 7 th	Key Stage 2 to Witham (Monty Does rehearsal)
July 8 th and 9 th	Monty Does Performances at the Witham 6pm start (Y3-6)
July 10 th - 11 th	Teesdale Transition Day for year 6
July 18 th	Leavers' Assembly 9am
July 21 st – September 1 st	Summer Holiday
September 2 nd	Teacher training Day
September 3 rd	Children start/return to school

Mr. C Minikin
Head Teacher

Please see the QR code for the School Lottery. The more players we have, the more we raise for the school and the bigger the prize fund.

