



# Newsletter

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are now at the end of this half term, it has been busy and I hope you have enjoyed reading about school life. Here are a few things that have been happening over the past two weeks.

### Needed!

We are in need of any unwanted or spare gardening equipment in good working condition. If you have any equipment that you no longer use and would like to donate it to school, we would be very grateful.

Thank you



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95.7%	95.3% 😞	95.4%	95.5%	97.4% 🏆	96.5%	95.3% 😞

### Attendance Champions!

Just a reminder that we expect attendance to be above 96% for all pupils.

### New Deputy Headteacher

As you are aware we have had a vacancy for Deputy Headteacher following my appointment. As a result of an interview process that took place on Thursday, a new Deputy Headteacher – Mrs Emma Peverall will be joining Silver Tree Primary from the 1st September. We are sure that you will give her the warm welcome I have received.

### Year 4

Last week Year 4 went to Shildon Railway Museum. They had a great time and received compliments from the general public on their exemplary behaviour while they were at the museum.

Well done Year 4!



### The Green Challenge

Pupils have been working towards the “Stay in Green Challenge” this week. Well done to all of those pupils who managed to complete the challenge and receive merits points.

### End of Term Attendance Treat

An attendance challenge is being given to all pupils of Silver Tee Primary School from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June. We are challenging all pupils to be in school every day until Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July. We understand that medical appointments and illness happen, so we are allowing 1 day of absence in the challenge.

For pupils who achieve 99% - 100% attendance next half term there will be a treat on the last day for those students!



### Parent Appointments

Over the last few weeks, we have had parents who have wanted to discuss issues with teachers. We have an open door policy at Silver Tree and do our best to accommodate parents. However, we have found that some parents have been verbally aggressive in their manner. We understand that parents usually feel emotionally charged about the issues they wish to discuss. It is not acceptable to speak to school staff in this way and I hope that a calm and measured discussion can take place

### Double Decker Den

Wednesday 31 May

9.30 - 11.30am, Ushaw Moor Leisure Centre

This bus is fully equipped with a ball pool, slide, cargo nets, big 'n' bash bags and much more to enable you and your child to roll, stretch, climb and play.

For more information please contact  
Brandon One Point Children's Centre on

03000 269 820

### Smoking outside school

A number of parents have mentioned that there are people who are smoking just outside the main entrance by the road. We understand that people are not actually smoking on the school premises but we politely request that if you do need to smoke that it is done further away from the main entrance of school, as other parents and young children/babies have to walk past the smoke. Thank you for your support in this we appreciate it.



### Dates for your Diary

Date/Time	Classes	Event
<b>May Half Term - School closes Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May and Reopens Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June</b>		
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	6	Year 6 Leavers Service at Durham Cathedral
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	All	Reading Picnic, parents welcome to join us
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June, 2:30	1	Parent's phonics information
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June, 1.30pm	All	Poetry Recital and Art Exhibition - Details to follow
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June, 2pm	All	Parents Calculation workshop - Details to follow
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	4	Warburtons Workshop in class 4
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	All	Sports Day - R and KS1 10am, KS2 1pm
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July - PM	All	Meet the Teacher Sessions
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> July, 1.30pm & 5pm	6	Leavers Production
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July, 2pm	All	Summer Fayre
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	All	End of Year Disco
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	All	Class Swap Day - Children visit new classes and teachers
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	6	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
<b>Summer Holidays - Last school day Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July, School reopens Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September</b>		

For term dates for this academic year and next, please check the school website.

Many thanks for all your continued support,

Mrs Maughan

Head Teacher

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