

Dear Parents/Carers,

It's getting to that manic time of year where each week is filled with events and trips, with the end almost in sight. Please keep a close eye on the calendar of events at the end of this bulletin.

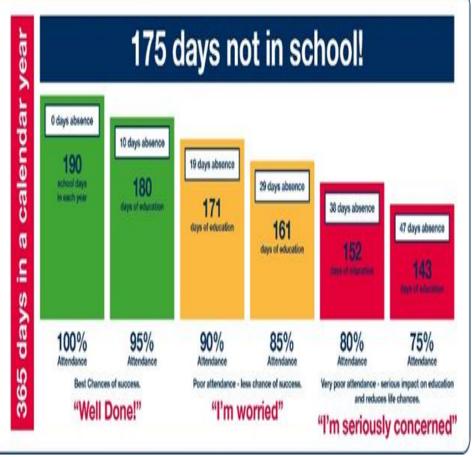
It was fantastic to meet some of the Year 4 pupils who will be starting with us in September, as well as children from other year groups who will also be joining us. We hope they all had an amazing morning and look forward to meeting their peers on Tuesday next week for Transition Day. We will also be wishing our Year 8s good luck on their visits to Haydon Bridge and Queen Elizabeth High School, we're sure you'll have a great time and make lots of new friends.

Next week, members of the NEU will be carrying out Industrial Action on Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July. We intend to open in the same way as we have done on previous strike days with reduced staffing and an alternate timetable. Details will be sent out via ParentMail.

Dan Ramshaw

Attendance this week: 92.6%







Beneath our Feet

This week, Year 5 have been lucky to work with Robin Webb, an animation artist as part of the Partnership-wide 'Beneath our Feet' project. The project focuses on local history, with Bellingham's history of iron mining a key focus of our work. Robin has been working with pupils to produce pieces of work showcasing this history using animation. The children have had a fantastic few days learning new skills and we can't wait to see the final results!











Super scones

Year 6 have been making cheese scones, they have been developed their rubbing, rolling and cutting skills. The smell down the corridor was delicious.







African beats

Year 7 pupils have been learning about and performing African folk music.







Join BMSPTCA for a Family Ceilidh with the fabulous Tarset Ceilidh Band!

All welcome!



SATURDAY 8th July 1730-1930

(doors open 1700 and last entry 1730)

Bellingham Town Hall

ADULTS £5.00 CHILDREN £2.50

'Light refreshments' will be available at the interval

TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE AND ARE AVAILABLE FROM : **BMS OR CONTACT JULIE** MOBBERLEY (either via Facebook or mobile 07721070212)

Amazing Raffle prizes include vouchers for local businesses, days out, 'beverages' and a host of other 'goodies' (Further details soon!)

ALL PROCEEDS WILL SUPPORT MUCH NEEDED OUTDOOR SEATING





Youth Clubs

TUESDAYS @ RTC OTTERBURN

6.00-7.15pm: Juniors (school years 4-6)

7.30-9.00pm: Seniors (school years 7-13)

WEDNESDAYS @ REED HALL BELLINGHAM

6.30-8.30pm every first and third Wednesday of the month: Seniors (school years 9-13)

THURSDAYS @ REED HALL BELLINGHAM

6.15-7.15pm: Juniors (school years 4-5)

7:30-8:30pm: Inters (school years 6-8)

AND OUR FRIENDS AT KIRKWHELPINGTON HOLD AN 8-18S YOUTH CLUB, EVERY WEDNESDAY 6.30-8.30PM IN THE MEMORIAL HALL!

Email Lisa Robinson@northtyneyouth.co.uk or call/text/WhatsApp for more info and to register



Quadkids

Year 5 had a thoroughly enjoyable morning at the School Games Quadkids event at Allendale Primary School. Our pupils competed in running, jumping and throwing events. All of them had a fantastic time and tried their hardest.













FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL ROUNDERS, DODGEBALL ARTS & CRAFTS

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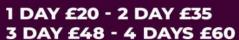
SUMMER MULTI SPORTS CAMP

AGE GROUP 5-14

FUN GAMES

SPORTS
FUN FOR
EVERYONE







RTC SPORTS CENTRE, OTTERBURN NORTHUMBERLAND, NE19 1HE



CAMP 1: AUGUST 2-4 CAMP 2: AUGUST 22-25 10AM - 3PM





Cooling off

A huge thankyou to the BMSPTCA for their fundraising efforts over the years, which has allowed us to purchase two fantastic water coolers for pupils to refresh themselves throughout the school day.





Freeze Frame

Due to its success, we have decided to keep the Expressive Arts sessions running until the end of term. Year 5 took part in a freeze frame exercise, imagining they were waiting for a bus. Brilliant characterisation!





School news

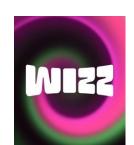


Breakfast Club is available to all pupils to access. It's also absolutely FREE! If you wish for your child to attend Breakfast Club, please can you contact Mrs Thompson directly on 01434 220235.

It has come to our attention that several of our pupils are accessing an app called 'Wizz', a social media app which allows children to talk to strangers. This app has an age rating of 16+.

The age-verification system for the app is very ineffective, and children can be presented with intimate images, mature content, and be exposed to predators.

I have attached a link which reviews the app, pointing out the worrying ease of how children can be exploited. I have also written out a link to a PDF which details features of the app and how parents can be vigilant.



https://www.commonsensemedia.org/.../wizz-make-new-friends

https://www.elvingtonprimary.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/what-parents-carers-need-to-know-

wizz.pdf?fbclid=lwAR2l60kQOdVIJNQFlwF3_ZHWmVYLqmahpyr8zOwKGzXFVH KCF9_cpJz3FPw

Wanted - Budding Musicians!

From September we would like to offer one-to-one and/or small group instrumental tuition in;

- Piano (one-to-one)
- Acoustic guitar (one-to-one and small group)

Prices start from only £6, per 25-minute lesson.

Available to all pupils across the school!

For more information and/or to book your child a place, please contact our music teacher Ms Esposito at sharon.esposito@bellinghampartnership.uk



BELLINGHAM MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER: 30TH JUNE 2023



Monday 3rd July 2023 Be Safe Workshops

Tuesday 4th July 2023 Queen Elizabeth High and Haydon Bridge

Partnership Transition Day

Wednesday 5th July 2023 NEU Industrial Action Day

Friday 7th July 2023 NEU Industrial Action Day

Monday 10th July-12th July 2023 KS2 Bikeability

Tuesday 12th July 2023 Y8 End of Year Trip to Hexham

Thursday 13th July 2023 Sports Day

Monday 17th July 2023 Enrichment Homework Deadline

Tuesday 18th July 2023 South Shields End of Year Trip

Thursday 20th July 2023 Y8 Leavers' Party

Friday 21st July 2023 Y8 Leavers' Celebration Assembly

Friday 21st July 2023 End of school year