



Dear Parents/Carers,

This term has started a quick pace with lots of events taking place in school. Year 6 are working terrifically hard in the build up to SATS and we hope to see their tremendous efforts awarded.

Next Friday we are hosting a celebration for King Charles III's coronation next week and we would like to invite you all to join us for a celebratory cream tea! Letters have been given out this week with details of the event and we hope to see as many of you as possible.

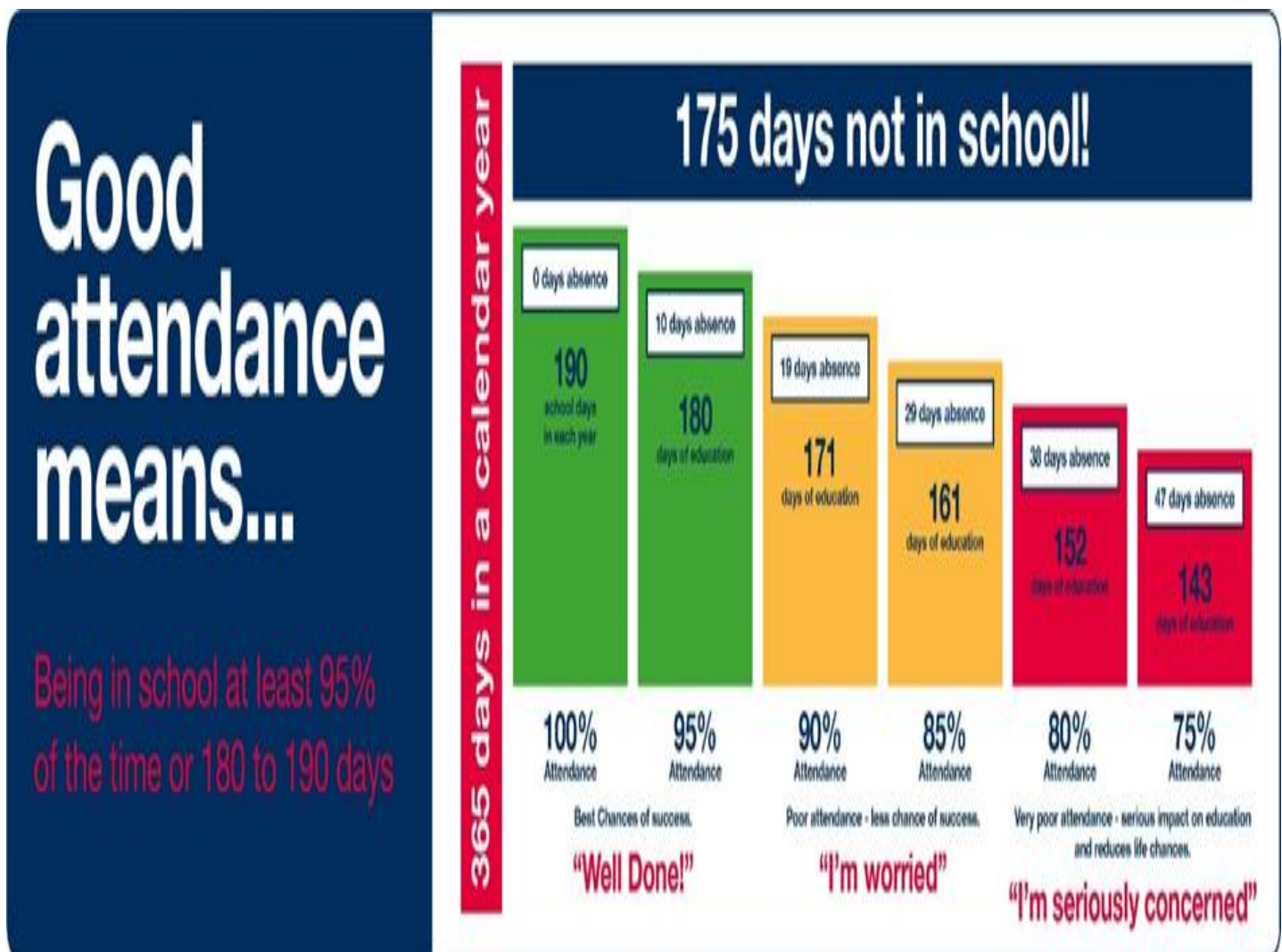
Next week we have a further Strike Day on Tuesday 2nd May, the school will still be open to all, albeit with reduced staff and an alternative timetable. In the afternoon we will be walking up Hareshaw Linn.

As staff we are also starting to plan trips and events for the end of year, we hope to be able to bring you more information in the upcoming weeks.

We hope you all have an enjoyable long weekend.

Dan Ramshaw

Attendance this week: 93.1%





Northumbria University Outreach

On Tuesday we had Northumbria University Outreach in working with all year groups.

Year 7 and 8 played 'star students' and learnt about different aspects of University life including that there are 55,000 different courses, rent costs around £400 a month and students pay bills of about £40 a month. Year 6 used their numeracy and English knowledge to solve a variety of questions. Their knowledge of metaphors and similes was amazing. Year 8 went on to play a 'game of uni', they had to work in teams to choose different options within scenarios throughout university life, e.g. would you buy a welcome wrist band, would you work an extra shift even though you have an assignment due, would you choose to study abroad or take part in an internship for a year. Finally, Year 5 competed in an English Escape room and worked excellently to solve all the problems successfully.



KS2 Cross-country

Before the holidays saw a fantastic yet freezing morning at Haydon Bridge High School for the KS2 X-Country Championships. All pupils were amazing in their efforts with all of them completing the gruelling course. A special mention to Seren and Angus who both achieved 7th placed finishes in their races. Well done to all!

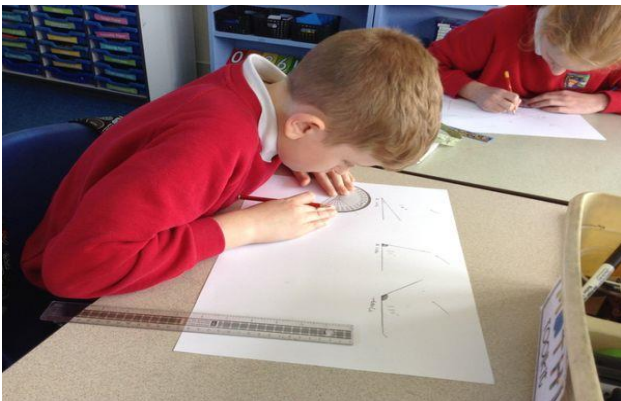
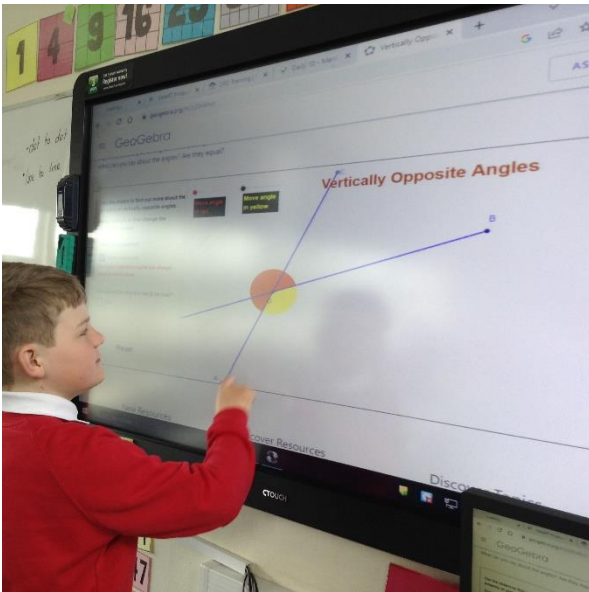




All about angles!

This week Year 6 have started investigating angles. Their first lesson involved exploring vertically opposite angles. Pupils used a protractor and a very sharp pencil to help them. They realised quite quickly that we have to be very precise on how we measure an angle.

The class have also been exploring triangles. They have looked at the different types of triangle and their interior angles. Pupils found out that it doesn't matter what size or type the triangle is, but that all of the angles add up to 180 degrees.





Even more angles!

Year 8 have also started their new topic on angles this week. The first thing they looked at was around the internal angles of some polygons. The pupils have also been investigating the angles between parallel lines and the transversal. The class are trying to get to grips with corresponding angles, vertically opposite angles and co-interior angles.



Making the cut

Year 5 have been working on the knife skills. They have all worked exceptionally hard using their bridge hold and claw hold. They managed to do large dice, medium dice, small dice, baton, julienne and thin slices.





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



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

All welcome !



KIDS
TOMBOLA

SATURDAY 20TH MAY 1730-1930

(doors open 1700 and last entry 1730)

Main Hall—Bellingham Middle School

ADULTS £5.00 CHILDREN £2.50

'Light refreshments' will be available at the interval

RAFFLE

**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,
'beverages' and a host
of other
'goodies' (Further
details soon!)

**ALL PROCEEDS WILL SUPPORT MUCH NEEDED OUTDOOR SEAT-
ING AND A SHADED AREA**



JOIN US FOR A ROYAL TEA PARTY

BELLINGHAM MIDDLE SCHOOL
FRIDAY 5TH MAY, 1.30-3.00

EVERYONE WELCOME!

Cream teas!

Party games!



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.



Please take your time to look at the BMSPTCA page. Over the years, they have supported the school by fundraising to provide us with amazing equipment such as goal posts, books and ADT tools, amongst many other resources. They also did an amazing job at painting the yard and the cloakrooms. The group are looking to recruit new members to keep it running into next year and beyond. It is integral that it does. The link is below:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/BMSPTCA>

They need volunteers to continue this for the future generations in BMS. They need a committee of 6 to take over. If you can help please attend a meeting at the school on Tuesday 9th May at 15:30



Dates for your diary*

Monday 1 st May 2023	May Day Bank Holiday
Tuesday 2 nd May 2023	NEU Industrial Action – School open
Friday 5 th May 2023	BMS Coronation Party
Monday 8 th May 2023	King Charles III Coronation Bank Holiday
Tuesday 9 th May 2023	Start of Year 6 SATS
Thursday 18 th May 2023	Quad Kids event at BMS
Saturday 20 th May 2023	Family Ceilidh with the Tarsset Ceilidh Band
Monday 22 nd May 2023	Summer Term 1 Enrichment homework due
Tuesday 23 rd May 2023	Y6 Pizza Express Trip
Friday 26 th May 2023	End of Summer Term 1

*More dates will be added as the term progresses