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Mr Hindess and I have had meetings with class teachers this week to talk about how the children are progressing in their new year groups. We are delighted with how well the children have all settled into their new routines and how hard they are working. We are so proud of them all!

### **Democracy in Action!**

We have been chatting to the children about British Values in assemblies over the past couple of weeks which are

- Democracy
- Tolerance
- Respect
- Liberty
- Rule of Law

As part of our work on democracy, classes have voted for school counsellors to represent them at school council meetings.

Their first job will be to find out what clubs the children would like in school.

Congratulations to our elected school council members who are: **Eden C, William G, Sophia B, Leo S, Joseph W, Rosie H, William TP, Zoe M, Isla D, Archie M, Hollie F, Joshua M, Grace H, Christopher L, Anna S and Charlie T.**

The children were presented with their school council badges in assembly today and are wearing them with pride!

Mrs Lamb

### **Drop off and Collection**

The school yard feels very busy at drop off and collection times. Please remember to keep to the left on your way in and out.

Please can parents of KS2 children stand well back until KS1 pupils have entered and left the building. Please give your class teacher a big wave when your child gets to the front of the line so they can see you.

Please remember to let your child's class teacher or the office know if they will be going home with someone else for a play date. Staff will not release children to other adults unless we have been informed and this can cause confusion and delay while the office staff have to make phone calls to confirm.

Thanks

### **Birthday Treats**

Please do not feel that you have to send in class treats for your child's birthday.

We are happy for children to give out birthday treats in class as long as they are

- Nut free and vegetarian friendly
- In individually wrapped bags
- Are taken home to be enjoyed so parents can check ingredients before children eat them.

Thanks

## Applying for Places

**Please apply on time to avoid disappointment. We are currently full with waiting lists in all year groups.**

**Nursery Application forms for places in September 2023** will be available on the school website and from the office from Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023

The closing date for applications is 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

Offer letters will be emailed out on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

The deadline for accepting a place is Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April.

### Reception Applications for September 2023

Applications open: 1 September 2022

Applications close: 15 January 2023

National offer day: 17 April 2023

Further information can be found at

<https://www.newcastle.gov.uk/services/schools-learning-and-childcare/apply-school-place/applying-reception-places>

Parents are able to visit the school on the following dates. Please phone the school office to book a place.

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October 9:30 – 10:30am

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October 9:30 – 10:30am

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 5:00 – 6:00pm

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2:00 – 3:00pm

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2:00 – 3:00pm

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 5:00 – 6:00pm

### Middle School Applications for September 2023

Applications open: 1 September 2022

Applications close: 31 October 2022

National Offer Day: 01 March 2023

Further information can be found at

<https://www.newcastle.gov.uk/services/schools-learning-and-childcare/apply-school-place/applying-transfer-places>

Year 4 parents should have all received a letter via Parent Pay from Mr Stout on Thursday inviting you to an open evening at GEMS on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 6.00pm.

Mrs Lamb



## PTFA Meeting

Thank you to all of you who were able to attend our PTFA meeting on Tuesday. The AGM has been arranged for Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November from 6:15 – 7:15 in the school hall. All of our parents are welcome to attend this meeting. It's a great chance to get to know other parents and support school. All money raised by the PTFA is spent on resources and opportunities for the children.



The school photographer will be in on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November to take photos of individuals and siblings. These make lovely Christmas gifts for relatives. Class photos will be taken in the Summer Term.



## Rainbow Wraparound

Please contact us via

[wraparound@gosforthpark.newcastle.sch.uk](mailto:wraparound@gosforthpark.newcastle.sch.uk)

or for any ad hoc bookings

**Rainbow Wraparound: 07926 946 565.**



If you don't already, please give us a follow on Twitter.

Our school account is @GosforthPark1st



**OCTOBER HALF TERM FOOTBALL & MULTI-SPORTS CAMP**

**GOSFORTH ACADEMY**  
 MULTI-SPORTS & FOOTBALL COURSES  
 RUNNING FROM MONDAY 24TH - FRIDAY 28TH  
 FULL WEEK FROM £60 SINGLE DAY FROM £20

**ALL BOOKING TO BE MADE ONLINE**

**FOOTBALL OUTDOOR**  
**AGES 9-14**  
 @ Skills & ball techniques  
 @ Footwork exercises  
 @ Strategy & teamwork exercises  
 @ Fun games & football matches

**MULTI-SPORTS INDOORS**  
**AGES 4-12**  
 @ Skills with eye hand coordination  
 @ Soft Archery, mini golf, kwik cricket and lots more  
 @ Strategy & teamwork exercises

**Registration Link**  
[www.ls-sc.co.uk](http://www.ls-sc.co.uk)



Scan QR Code for website link

For More Information  
 07729281151 [coach@ls-sc.co.uk](mailto:coach@ls-sc.co.uk)




Don't forget that next week is National Bike to School Week. If you haven't done so already, make your pledge and sign up at <https://www.bikeability.org.uk/cycletoschoolweek/> Who knows, you might win a Frog City 61 Bike!



Tomorrow sees the start of the annual Stoptober Public Health Campaign aimed at supporting people to stop smoking. The NHS promotes stopping smoking as one of the best things you'll ever do for your health and this year's message is, "You've got what it takes to quit this Stoptober". Subsequent improvements in health not only impact the individual but a healthier parent for example, will also then have a positive impact on the rest of the family. Children are less likely to want to smoke when they are older if they are not exposed to it as a child. The NHS have a free quit smoking app where you can track your progress, see how much money you are saving and provides daily support. Support and advice can also be found at the Newcastle Stop Smoking + Service at <https://www.changegrowlive.org/stop-smoking-plus-service-newcastle>

Mrs Wells

## Pre-Loved Uniform

PRE-LOVED ITEMS WE CAN SELL		PRE-LOVED ITEMS WE CAN NOT SELL
OFFICIAL SCHOOL JUMPERS	£2.50	NON – OFFICIAL JUMPERS
OFFICIAL SCHOOL CARIGANS	£2.50	NON – OFFICIAL CARIGANS
OFFICIAL SCHOOL POLOS	£1.50	NON – OFFICIAL POLOS
GIRLS CHECKED DRESSES	£1.50	GREY BOYS TROUSERS
GREY PINAFORES	£1.50	GREY TAYLORED GIRLS TROUSERS
GREY SKIRTS	£0.50	GREY BOYS SHORTS
GREY GIRLS SOFT TROUSERS	£0.50	DAMAGED OR MARKED ITEMS
SCHOOL BAG (NEW STYLE)	£2.50	
SCHOOL BAG (OLD STYLE)	£1.50	
OFFICIAL PE T-SHIRT/SHORTS	£0.50	

Items are currently sold from 6 Burnside Road NE3 2DU, with a drop off box at the front door. Please **REMEMBER** items, particularly red, must not be marked as they are unable to be sold on. You can text me Kate Watkins (Parent) on 07947846974

**PLEASE NOTE: My daughter will be moving on to GEMS in September 2023, if anyone should like to continue the pre-loved uniform sales from Easter 2023 I think this would be the best hand over stage. Please can you approach me or Mrs Lamb.**

## Staff Training Days

Staff Training Days for GST schools this academic year will be:

- Monday 31st October 2022
- Friday 23rd December 2022
- Friday 26th May 2023

Please see the dates for your diary below and the school calendar for 2022\_2023 attached.



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## Attendance

Our whole school attendance to date this academic year is **98.6%** which is up on this time last year (97%)

Our classes of the week this week are **Reception Mrs McClurg** with **100%** and **Green Class** and **Violet Class**, both with **99.4%** attendance. Well done!

Our exceptional circumstance request forms have changed. For anyone requesting a leave of absence there is a new form to be filled in. As well as returning the form you will be required to meet with me or Mr Hindess. Please make sure any requests are on the correct form which can be obtained as a hard or electronic copy from the office.

Thanks

Mrs Lamb



# Advanced Notice of Dates 2022-2023

Updates will be added in red

Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Festival Donations to school on or before this date please.
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Reception Halloween Fun Morning 9:00 – 10:30 for parents
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Last Day of Term
October Half Term	
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Training Day
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	School Photographer – individuals and sibling groups
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery Christmas Assembly for Parents 9:30 – 10:00
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception – Year 4 Dick Whittington at The Exchange Theatre
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception Christmas Fun morning 9:00 – 10:30 for parents
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Indigo Christmas Assembly for Parents 9:30 – 10:00
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Violet Christmas Assembly for Parents 10:45 – 11:15
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Blue Christmas Assembly for Parents 2:30 – 3:00
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception Miss Coughlan Christmas Assembly for Parents 10:45 – 11:15
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception Mrs McClurg Christmas Assembly for Parents 2:30 – 3:00
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Green Christmas Assembly for Parents 9:30 – 10:00
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Orange Christmas Assembly for Parents 10:45 – 11:15
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Yellow Christmas Assembly for Parents 2:30 – 3:00
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December	Training Day
Christmas Holiday	
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> January	School reopens
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	Last Day of Term
February Half Term	
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	School reopens
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> – Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 Robinwood
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Day of Term
Easter Holiday	
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	School reopens
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April – Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 4 Swimming – to be confirmed
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	May Bank Holiday
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Last Day of Term
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Training Day
May Half Term	
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	School reopens
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	KS1 Sports Day – parents arrive from 2pm
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception Sports Day – parents arrive from 2pm
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	KS2 Sports Day – parents arrive from 2pm
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Last Day of Term