

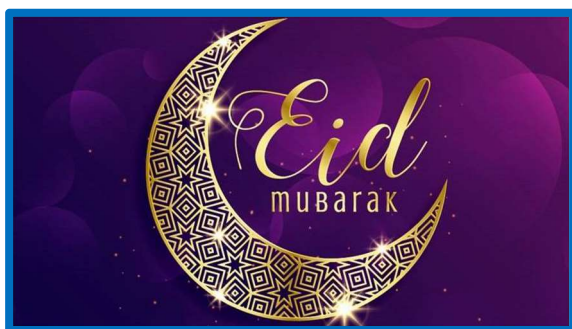


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Welcome back. We hope you had a great Easter break. It has been lovely to enjoy some warmer weather this week now that we're officially into the Summer term!



Dear Families

We would like to wish you all Eid Mubarak and we hope you all enjoy your Eid celebration.

Mrs Lamb

## Year 4 Swimming



Huge well done to our year 4 swimmers who have done a fantastic job walking up to and down from the pool this week. You can have two days rest before it all starts again next week! Huge thanks to our parent helpers who have walked with the children – we couldn't do it without you.

## UK's Emergency Alert Test

The UK's emergency alert system will be tested on **Sunday April 23 at 3pm**. An alert will be sent to every phone or tablet across the country and last for about ten seconds.

The emergency alert test is a national trial for the UK Emergency Alerts service, which is designed to warn you if there's a danger to life nearby. This could include anything from severe flooding and fires to extreme weather conditions, which all might require you to act fast to stay safe.

When you get an emergency alert, your phone or tablet may make a loud siren-like sound or read the alert out loud, even if your device is set on silent. Alongside the sound, your phone may vibrate, and in a real emergency will include a phone number or link to the GOV.UK website which will give you more information about the emergency.

Further information can be found at

<https://www.gov.uk/alerts>

### Bank Holidays

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May

### NEU proposed strike days

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

### Staff Training Day

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May

## Reminder ...

We are excited to now be able to share with you the proposed remodelling and refurbishment plans for Gosforth Park First School which will enable us to grow and expand into the former Broadway East First School building.

To enable you to see these plans, a **planning consultation meeting** is being held in the former Broadway East First School building on **Monday 24th April 2023** between **2:30pm and 6:00pm**.

You are invited to come along to this event where information regarding these proposals will be on view and representatives from Gosforth Park First School, education officers from Newcastle City Council, Aura and Space architects will be on hand to answer your questions.

## New: School Trips

We have added two new school trips to our school calendar:

**Reception – White House Farm**  
**Wed 24<sup>th</sup> May**

**KS1 – Alnwick Castle**  
**Wed 21<sup>st</sup> June**

Please check ParentPay to confirm that your children can attend.

We will be looking for parent volunteers for both trips so if you are available and would like to help, please let the school office know.

Many thanks  
Mrs Lamb

## Topics and Holiday Research Projects

Our topics for this half term are:

### Early Years-

#### Alternative Traditional Tales



Alternative Traditional Tales brings an endless range of opportunities to the classroom during the Summer term. These timeless stories are constantly rehearsed, repeated and learned by the children, giving them the foundations they need to become future storywriters and develop a lifelong love of reading. The outdoor environment comes alive as children retell traditional tales, plant their own beanstalks and observe tadpoles in their natural habitat.

### KS1 – On the Move

Within this geography skills and fieldwork based topic, children begin to understand how to use grid references to identify features on maps. We learn about aerial photography and use this to identify different human and physical features of Great Britain. Finally, we use our new skills to plan our very own fieldwork project in Gosforth!



### KS2 – *Extreme Earth*



Extreme Earth is a geography-based topic that deepens our understanding of the structure of our planet. We begin by looking at plate tectonics before using our knowledge to understand why earthquakes and volcanoes occur, and where in the world these natural phenomenon are most prevalent.

Please see the attached Topic Webs below for more information about what your children will be learning across all of our curriculum areas.

Mr Hindess

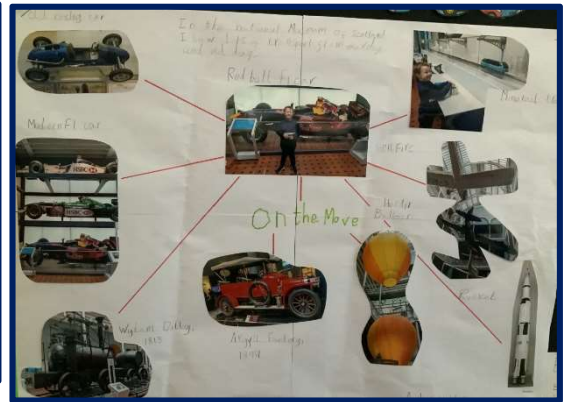
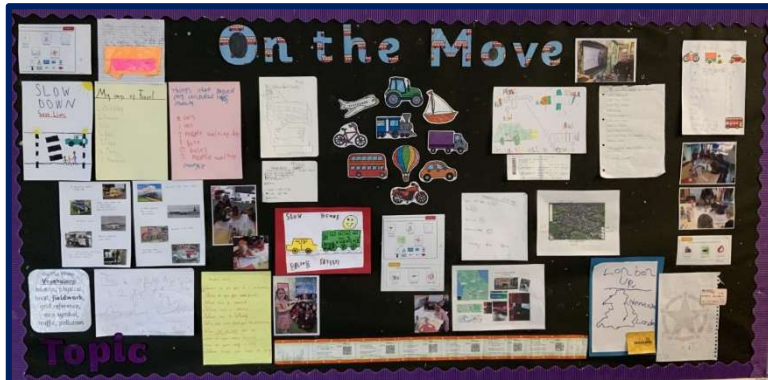


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# Topics and Holiday Research Projects

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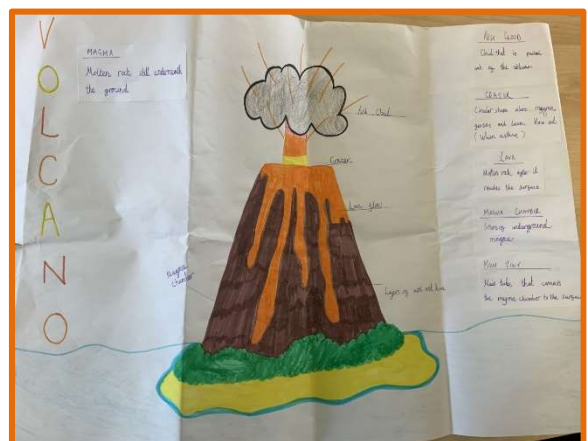
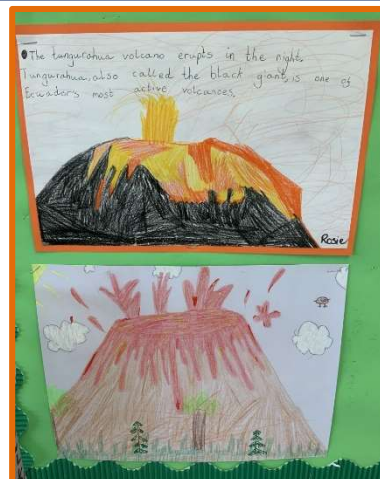
Take a look at a selection of our amazing **holiday homework projects**:



Joe's Traffic Survey

type	Tally	Total
Car		49
Bus		2
van		9
bike		1
Lorry		0
Motor bike		0

date: 13.4.23  
time: 4.55 PM  
duration: 5 mins  
location: Broadview East (South)



All of our children who complete a project get a chance to present this to their class and share their impressive knowledge.

Challenge

Thank you for all of your time and effort!

Community

Mr Hindess





## The Children's Cancer Run 2023

We would like you and your family to join our school team at the 40<sup>th</sup> Children's Cancer Run at Newcastle Racecourse, Gosforth Park on **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2023.**

Please ensure that you **register online** for the event:

1. Log on to [www.childrenscancerrun.co.uk](http://www.childrenscancerrun.co.uk)
2. **Select** 'Enter now' and you will be asked to log in or sign up to Everyday Hero – this is an essential part of the registration system and only takes 2 minutes to sign up
3. Complete your entry form, selecting our school name from the drop down list
4. Click **proceed to payment** to complete the registration for you and your family

**Every child must be accompanied by an adult.**

Thank you,

Miss Walsh



Huge thanks for supporting our after school Easter Movie nights this week. We raised an amazing £432.50 for PTFA funds which are all spent on our amazing children.

## School Games Orienteering

On Tuesday morning a group of Year 4 pupils had the opportunity to participate in a range of orienteering activities at GEMS. We worked as a team to problem solve and we used our map skills to find items around the grounds. We had a fantastic time!

Miss Walsh





Huge well done everyone! We came second in Newcastle with our walking or wheeling journeys before Easter. You made an amazing 80.6% of your journeys this way. Congratulations to our friends at Archibald First who came first with 83.5% and West Jesmond Primary who came third with 69.8%.



Action for Children is an organisation that has an online support service for parents and carers of children aged 0-19 years called TALK. It provides access to online information for parents including an online chat facility providing free, confidential 1-2-1 live support five days per week from 9 am until early evening. They are set up to talk about family life, caring for children or managing your wellbeing as a parent. The chat service is a safe space to share your concerns and they can work with parents to find solutions and suggest ways to get extra support if needed.

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 now sold from 1 Park Drive, Melton Park NE3 5QB, 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 Natasha Davy (Parent) on **07736276653**

## Staff Training Days

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

- Friday 26th May 2023

Please see the dates for your diary below and the school calendar for 2022-2023

**In light of the announcement of His Majesty's coronation on Saturday 6 May 2023, an additional bank holiday has been announced on Monday 8 May and school will be closed on this day.**



# CONGRATULATIONS

Well done to Grace who has passed her Level 7 gymnastics award!



Well done to Jack who has achieved his 25m swimming award!



Hi Rockstars,

I have attached some information about the Multiplication Tables Check (MTC), which will be happening in June. In school the children will be joining in the Times Table Rockstars 'Officially Unofficial MTC!' which will give us a really good idea about where the children are, and what times tables we'll need to practise further. We would really appreciate you encouraging your child to access TTRS at home regularly too. Times Table Rockstars have studied results across the country, and have found 21 minutes a week TTRS practise is the magic number to indicate success!

Please don't worry though, we will be careful to ensure that the test feels like another normal maths activity in school, and the activity itself is very quick!



**Alice P**, **Toby S** and **Alfie R** have all been doing fantastic work on Mathletics over the holidays – well done!

**Orange class** are our Mathletes of the Week – amazing efforts everyone!

## Attendance

Our whole school attendance to date this academic year is **96.2%** which is above this time last year (94.6%)

Our classes of the week this week are **Reception SC** with **96.8%** attendance, **Violet Class** and **Orange Class** with **96.7%** attendance and.

Well done!  
Mrs Lamb

# Advanced Notice of Dates 2023

Updates will be added in red

Easter Holiday	
<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April</b>	<b>UK's Emergency Alert test 3pm</b>
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Planning Consultation 2:30 – 6:00</b>
<b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Year 2 Visit to Safety Works</b>
<b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>School closure due to strike action</b>
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	May Bank Holiday
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Class Photograph Day
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Children's Cancer Run
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Reception White House Farm School Trip</b>
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
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	KS2 The Big Gig 2023
<b>Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June</b>	<b>KS1 Alnwick Castle School Trip</b>
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
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 3 On-site Residential
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Last Day of 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.**



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