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The Green King



In the run up to The King's Coronation next weekend, the children will be learning about The King and creating some fantastic art work in school.

King Charles III cares deeply about the environment and wants to protect the planet for future generations. With this in mind, our artwork for the coronation will be to, **'Create a picture of the future you would like to see.'**

You can find out more about the official celebrations at <https://coronation.gov.uk>. You can find some tasty coronation recipes and templates for bunting and invitations if you are hosting your own celebrations at <https://coronation.gov.uk/toolkit/>. There's even a Spotify playlist!

Mrs Lamb

Consultation Event

We were so excited to share plans with you on Monday at the planning consultation meeting. Thank you so much for popping along and for your feedback.

As soon as we have any further news on when works will begin, we will share this with you.

Mrs Lamb

Year 4 Swimming

A massive well done and thank you to all of our Year 4 swimmers, parent volunteers and teachers for a highly successful 2 weeks of swimming! All of our children made brilliant progress- we are very proud of you all.

Reminder of Dates:

We hope you have a lovely bank holiday weekend this weekend. Please remember – **school is closed on Tuesday 2nd May** due to NEU strike action and will re-open for pupils on Wednesday 3rd May.

Mrs Lamb

Bank Holidays

Monday 1st May

Monday 8th May

NEU proposed strike days

Tuesday 2nd May

Staff Training Day

Friday 26th May



An open letter from Parklands Community Crossing....

Dear Parents, Guardians and Supporters,

It's that time again, doesn't it come around quickly? It's the time when we ask our local community to once again help us to keep our children safe for another year.

For those new to our school community, the crossing patrol warden you see on the corner of Broadway East/Granville Road is NOT paid for by Newcastle City Council. It is paid for by us.

Since 2017, our community has fund raised the £5,000 needed each year to keep a lollipop on that dangerous blind bend.

This is probably our hardest year. We know that times are incredibly tough for lots of people, and for small businesses. We also have fewer pupils using the crossing since the relocation of Broadway East.

But, as always, if we do not pay Newcastle City Council then there will be no crossing patrol warden on the corner from September 2023.

Thankfully due to more grant funding we have secured, the amount left to raise by September is very achievable.

Whilst we really do not want to ask parents hit financially by the current cost of living crisis for money, we have no choice but to ask those who are able to dig deep and donate, via justgiving crowd funding.

Rightly or wrongly, it remains the sole responsibility of Gosforth East Middle, St. Oswald's RC Primary, and Gosforth Park First school communities to keep our children crossing the corner to school safely.

If you are able, we are asking every family in our school community (whether your own child uses the crossing or not) to donate whatever you can afford, and allow us to save the crossing for the 7th year in a row.

We need EVERY family who can to get behind us to donate. Every single penny helps.

Thanks in advance for making ours the only school crossing patrol saved by its community every year since the City Council first axed their funding in 2017.

Please be as generous as you can and donate at:

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/parklandscommunitycrossing2023>

As ever, if we fail in our endeavours, all cash at the bank will be divided equally between the school PTFAs so that the children across our school community do not lose out.

With many thanks,
Rebekah Stephenson, Keri Walker and Iain Duigan
Parklands Community Crossing

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**

Year 4 Football



Year 4 children had a great morning at Regent Farm Primary on Tuesday taking part in a Gosforth School's football tournament. The children's behaviour was impeccable, and they showed great resilience and character. We are really proud of our 3rd place finish. Well done to the team!

Mr Patterson

Guide Dogs Newcastle



Northumberland House, Gosforth
Park Avenue, Newcastle upon Tyne,
NE12 8EG

Guide Dogs Newcastle are opening up the doors of their new office and guide dog training centre to visitors for the very first time on **Saturday 29th April**, between **11am-3pm**

On the day, visitors can expect to receive a tour of the newly refurbished building as well as getting information about all the services we provide and all the volunteering roles available in their community. There will be opportunity to:

- See where dogs relax in between training sessions
- Take part in blindfolded challenges
- Learn how to write in braille
- Observe dog demonstrations
- Have a cuppa and get to know your local Guide Dogs family

Everyone is very welcome - volunteers, service users, members of the public, friends and family. There will be fun activities for all ages!

Please note that there is only limited parking onsite however there is a free public car park a 3-minute walk away. This is signposted from the main road, turn into the Nuffield Health centre then immediately turn right before the barriers.



The Children's Cancer Run 2023

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

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

1. Log on to 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

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.

Top Tips from the Police

We had a lovely visit from our local PCSOs this week who popped in to see us.

They have recommended that families make sure they make a note of any bicycle frame numbers so in the event of any cycle thefts, property can be returned to it's rightful owners.

Most bicycles have a frame number stamped into the metal under the bottom bracket. If it's a carbon frame, the number will be etched into the surface or displayed on a sticker. Occasionally, the frame number will be on the inside of the chain stay or on the down tube or top tube. See the diagram below if you need to identify these areas of the bicycle.



Max from Reception has achieved two stripes on his Taekwondo belt! Well done max!





Healthy School

Hopefully, with the bank holidays approaching, we'll be able to get in to the garden to enjoy some barbecues. Most children love to eat with their hands and so barbecues are a great option to include some healthy, tasty bites in their diets and possibly try something new. You could let them help to create chicken and veg kebabs or substitute some chicken for salmon. Do you always have beef burgers and pork sausages? Have a try of turkey or vegetable burgers or chicken sausages too. Corn on the cob is delicious cooked or finished off on the barbecue and for dessert, a split banana with a few chocolate buttons, wrapped in foil and placed on the coals as the heat dies down is delicious. The supermarkets and websites such as BBC Good Food have lots of recipes to try on their websites.

Mrs Wells

Attendance

Our whole school attendance to date this academic year is **96.2%** which is above this time last year (94.7%)

Our classes of the week this week are **Reception SC** with **96.9%** attendance and **Orange Class** with **96.7%** attendance.

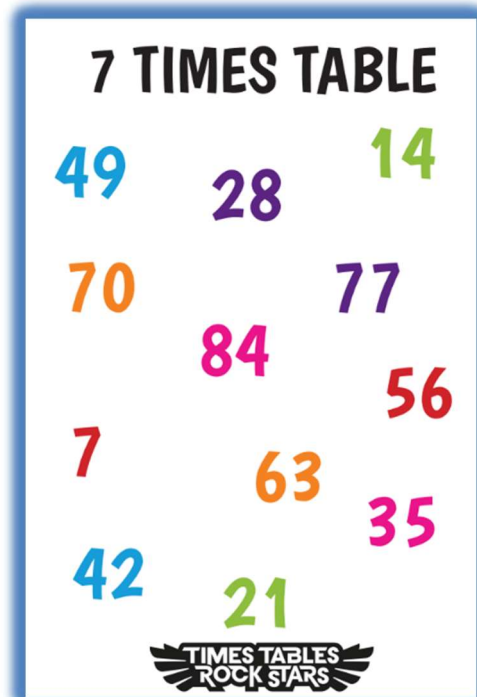
Well done!

Mrs Lamb



Next week Key Stage Two will focus on their 7 times table.

Perhaps you could make a scattergram like the one below and find out how quickly your child can circle the 7's in order? Then can they circle them starting with the highest number, counting down backwards?



Alanna T, **Joshua M** and **Sahib S-D** are our highest point scorers this week – well done for your fantastic efforts – your teachers are so impressed!

Wow **Orange class**, you have all scored so many points this week! Well done for being 'Mathletes of the Week'.

Ms Gasper

Advanced Notice of Dates 2023

Updates will be added in red

Easter Holiday	
Monday 1 st May	May Bank Holiday
Monday 2 nd May	School closure due to strike action
Wednesday 3 rd May	Class Photograph Day
Monday 8 th May	Bank Holiday
Sunday 14 th May	Children's Cancer Run
Wednesday 24 th May	Reception White House Farm School Trip
Thursday 25 th May	Last Day of Term
Friday 26 th May	Training Day
May Half Term	
Monday 5 th June	School reopens
Wednesday 21 st June	KS2 The Big Gig 2023
Wednesday 21 st June	KS1 Alnwick Castle School Trip
Tuesday 27 th June	KS1 Sports Day – parents arrive from 2pm
Wednesday 28 th June	Reception Sports Day – parents arrive from 2pm
Thursday 29 th June	KS2 Sports Day – parents arrive from 2pm
Wednesday 5th July	Y4 GEMS Transition (drop off at GPFS/collect from GEMS)
Thursday 6th July	Y4 GEMS Transition (drop off and collect from GEMS)
Friday 7th July	Y4 GEMS Transition (drop off and collect from GEMS)
Thursday 13 th – Friday 14 th July	Year 3 On-site Residential
Friday 21 st July	Last Day of Term



Rainbow Wraparound

Please contact us via wraparound@gosforthpark.newcastle.sch.uk or for any ad hoc bookings
Rainbow Wraparound: 07926 946 565.



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TO CENTRAL PARK!

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AT OUR AMAZING
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EXPERIENCE.

WHAT'S SHOWING...

SATURDAY 6TH MAY

King Charles III Coronation
11.00am Free Event

Roald Dahl's Matilda The Musical
PG - 2.30pm

Spider-Man: No Way Home
12A - 5.30pm

SUNDAY 7TH MAY

Minions: Rise of Gru
PG - 12.30pm

The Greatest Showman
PG - 3.00pm

Coronation Concert
Time tbc. Free Event

MONDAY 8TH MAY

Encanto
PG - 12.30pm

Peter Rabbit 2
PG - 3.00pm

Top Gun: Maverick
12A - 6.00pm

BUY TICKETS:

ADULT	£5
CHILD AGED 12-16YRS	£3
CHILD UNDER 12	£1
FAMILY TICKET <small>(2 adults and up to 3 children)</small>	£12

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4 DAY CAMPS

DETAILS

VENUE: BLUE FLAMES, BENTON. NE12 9SF

AGES 4 TO 12

9.15am - 3.30pm - (Half Days Available upon request)

MON 3RD APRIL - THURS 6TH APRIL

TUES 11TH APRIL - FRIDAY 14TH APRIL

TUES 30TH MAY - FRIDAY 2ND JUNE

COST:

1 DAY - £15.00

2 DAYS - £30.00

3 DAYS - £40.00

4 DAYS - £50.00

Please note discount prices can't be spread over two camps.

Contact Graeme Doyle for Details
or register your child on 07887 766 460
info@starstrikesoccer.co.uk
www.starstrikesoccer.co.uk



PAYMENT CAN BE MADE ON FIRST DAY OF THE COURSE
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