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Confidence



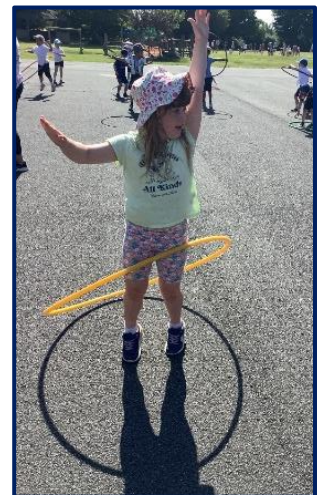
Creativity



2026 Sports Week



Challenge



Community

Sports Week 2026

Wow what an active week we have had! The children have been taking part in lots of sporting activities this week in school. We have enjoyed **Gaelic football, handball, skip4fit, football, Zumba, Rugby Minis, Tag Rugby, HoopStarz and Swing Stars Golf.**

A huge Gosforth Park thank you to all of the external providers who have supported us in delivering our sporting offer this week! Thank you to all of our families who attended sports days- we hope you had a great time!
Mr Guest



Y4

Robinwood Presentation Afternoon

We would like to invite all parents of Y4 pupils who attended Robinwood this year to a special presentation afternoon at school.

Please check out the Newsletter sent on Parent Pay for dates and times.

Children will receive a certificate presented to them by their group leader and you will hear about their Robinwood achievements.

Many thanks
Mrs Lamb

Rearranged Sports Days

We are sorry for the last-minute postponement of our Reception and Year 2 Sports Days this week, due to weather warnings and intermittent thundery forecast on Friday.

We would like to invite you into school next week instead:

Please check out the Newsletter sent on Parent Pay for dates and times.

Sorry again for any inconvenience caused and I hope that you will be able to join us next week.

Many thanks
Mr Guest

Year 4 Multiplication Times Table Check

Wow, what an incredible result in this year's Multiplication Times Table Check. Children in Y4 completed 25 random times table questions within 6 second time limit per question.

Our school average result was a brilliant **23.2 out of 25** with **45% of pupils achieving full marks!**

We are so proud of our Year 4s for all of their hard work.

Miss Pope



Kenton Foodbank Partnership

Mr Hindess has been working behind the scenes with Loree and Maureen from **Kenton Food Bank** to begin fostering links between this important local charity and our school community.

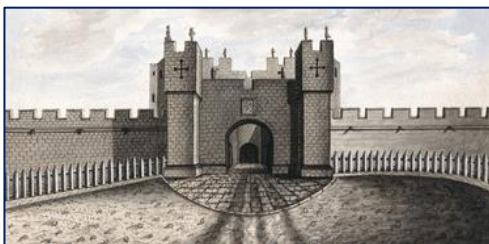
Kenton Foodbank provide essential food support to local individuals and families in crisis. Thanks to generous donations and dedicated volunteers, they are able to make a real difference in our community.

We hope Loree and Maureen will be coming into school to deliver an assembly before the Summer Holiday and we have plans for further involvement next academic year.

Watch this space!

Many thanks

Mr Hindess



Y2 Alnwick Castle

Don't forget that Year 2 are visiting Alnwick Castle next week! Please check the weather forecast and apply suncream in the morning, if required!

If you have not yet given consent, please do so ASAP via ParentPay

Reception

Pirate Day + Rockpool School

Thursday 2nd July



As part of Reception's **Pirate Day**, next **Thursday 2nd July**, we have organised a special Rockpool School experience!

Children will have the opportunity to observe and interact with a range of familiar sea creatures.

Thank you to our wonderful PTFA for fully funding this exciting experience for our Reception children!



Year One

Seaside Workshops

Next **Wednesday 1st July**, Year 1 pupils will be taking part in special Seaside Workshops as part of our History Curriculum. Children will be invited to learn more about seaside traditions and take part in a special Punch & Judy show.

Thank you to our wonderful PTFA for fully funding this exciting experience for our Y1 children!



Summer Festival

Monday 13th July

We look forward to seeing you all after school on Monday 13th July for our annual Gosforth Park First School Summer Festival! Children can be collected from their usual exit doors before joining us for a festival of fun on the school grounds.

We do have one card machine available to purchase tokens at the BBQ stall but please bring cash if possible, to avoid delays!

Please see the posters at the end of the newsletter for more information about stalls and how you can get involved.

Many thanks

PTFA



Rainbow Wraparound Holiday Club

We are pleased to announce our **Rainbow Wraparound Holiday Club** themes and event days for the upcoming Summer Holiday.

Week One: **Under the Sea**

Week Two: **Princesses, Wizards & Magic**

Week Three: **Let's go Explore**

Week Four: **Discover and Do**

Week Five: **Carnival Week**

Week Six: **GPFS Bake-Off**

There is a flyer attached at the end of this week's newsletter and these are also available at the school office.

Bookings are live now and can be made using the school cloud link below:

<https://gosforthparkfirst.schoolcloud.co.uk>

Booking windows for the academic year 2026 - 2027 have also been added below.

Price increases from September 1st 2026 are at the end of the newsletter.

If you have any queries, please contact us via the Wraparound email address










wraparound@gosforthpark.newcastle.sch.uk

Many thanks

Mrs Lucas

Year 4 Transition Information

As we look forward to our final half term, below is a useful guide to all the transition events that will be happening to prepare our Year 4s for moving up to middle school:

Transition Information 2025-26			
	<p>GEMS Teachers Visit <i>Tuesday 16th June</i></p> <p>Before we head across to our new school, some of the Year 5 teachers will come to visit us! This will give our children a chance to get to know the staff and to ask them questions.</p>		<p>Buddy Letters <i>Tuesday 16th June</i></p> <p>A lovely way to learn a bit more about their new school! Our old friends (ex-GPFS pupils) write to our Year 4 cohort to tell them all about Year 5 and to buddy them up if they ever feel a bit lost.</p>
	<p>Transition Days <i>8th, 9th, 10th July</i></p> <p>Year 4 children will have 3 full days at their Middle School. They will find out who their teacher and classmates will be for Year 5. A member of the GPFS team will stay at GEMS all day on Wednesday in case our children need a familiar face.</p>		<p>Leaver's Video <i>Monday 6th July - filming</i></p> <p>Children will have the opportunity to take part in our leaver's video to give them a lasting memory of their time at Gosforth Park to share with their family and keep forever.</p>
	<p>SEMH Transition Preparation <i>Weekly sessions for 4 weeks</i></p> <p>Helen and Amanda from Newcastle SEMH team will be working with a small group of pupils who require additional preparation for their transition to Middle School.</p>		<p>Parents Meeting at GEMS <i>Wednesday 8th July at 6pm</i></p> <p>This meeting will give you a chance to find out more about Gosforth East. Mr Adcock, Miss Wilson and Mrs Armstrong will talk about life at GEMS and class teachers will also be attending.</p>
	<p>Leaver's Assembly <i>Thursday 16th July 2pm</i></p> <p>Our annual leaver's assembly is our way of giving your children the GPFS ending they deserve! We invite our Year 4 families to join us for your child's performance and presentations.</p>		<p>Shirt Signing <i>Friday 17th July</i></p> <p>Everyone's favourite rite of passage! Children are encouraged to bring in an old GPFS t-shirt for their teachers and friends to sign.</p>
	<p>Useful Contact Information</p> <p>Mrs Wilson (Year 5 Lead) anna.wilson@gosfortheast.newcastle.sch.uk 0191 2855445</p> <p>Mrs Armstrong (SENCO) emma.armstrong@gosfortheast.newcastle.sch.uk 0191 2855445</p>		

Please also keep an eye out for any communication with GEMS about additional events or information.

If you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Hindess, Miss Bell or Mr Guest

Reception Intake 2027

For our **Reception 2027** intake, parents are invited to visit the school on any of the following dates:

Please phone the school office to book a place.

- Tuesday 6th October 5:00 – 6:00pm
- Tuesday 13th October 9:30 – 10:30am
- Tuesday 20th October 9:30 – 10:30am
- Wednesday 21st October 9:30 – 10:30am
- Wednesday 4th November 9:30 – 10:30am
- Tuesday 10th November 9:30 – 10:30am
- Wednesday 11th November 5:00 – 6:00pm
- Wednesday 18th November 5:00 – 6:00pm



A huge Gosforth Park congratulations to Charlie who achieved his 1500m badge at swimming this week. What an incredible accomplishment!



Thank goodness we were all able to wear our sporty clothes this week to try to keep cool. Well done to some of our Year 1's this week for their lovely collaborative play outside with the sports equipment.

Our OPAL cadets have chosen **Mr Patterson's class** this week to win our Golden Welly. Their friends have noticed how good they are at including others, and that they try hard to tidy up. Well done Year 2's! Ms Gasper



Breakfasts can often be overlooked as a great meal to include healthy fruit, veg and beans. VegPower report on their website that only 6% of breakfasts eaten contain fruit, and children are averaging 11g of processed sugar at breakfast each day. It can be difficult to get it right on a busy morning with trying to get our children ready for school which is why the Breakfast in Colour campaign is being launched initially for weekend breakfasts. They have some great ideas for all tastes on their link to the Good Food website, and many recipes can be used for lunch too. From adding fruit and yoghurt to healthy granola, to making fruit muffins, smoothies, healthy beans on toast and omelettes. Many breakfasts can be prepared the night before and some are suitable for children to help create too.

Find out more at [Breakfast in Colour - Veg Power](#)
Mrs Wells

TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

Well done to **Mr Guest's class** who are our most active class this week! It's great to see the Year 2s using TTRS now to prepare them for Year 3. Our top coin earners this week are **Lewis D, Finley R** and **Hugo S**.



Miss Tate's class have topped the leader board this week! Well done to all the Year 4s that have reached 100% on story mode. Keep using challenge mode to keep up with your fluency.

Our top coin earners were:

Miss Coughlan – **Connie C**

Miss Parsons-Munn – **Elijah E**

Miss Pope – **Max C**

Mr Edwards – **Eliza H**

Miss Tate – **Grayson W**

Mr Patterson – **Martha H**

Mr Hindess and Mrs Armstrong – **Zara C**

Mr Guest – **Alfie R**

Keep up the good work, Miss Pope

Attendance

Our whole school attendance to date this academic year is **96.7%** - getting closer to our target of 97%!

Our classes of the week this week are **Y2 Miss Tate** with **99.7%** and **Y2 Mr Patterson** with **98.9%**

Well done everyone!
Mrs Lamb

Pre-Loved Uniform

We have **updated** our pre-loved uniform requirements slightly due to low-demand for older or grey items:

PRE-LOVED ITEMS WE CAN SELL (please donate)		PRE-LOVED ITEMS WE CAN NOT SELL
OFFICIAL SCHOOL JUMPERS/HOODIES	£2.50	OLD LOGO OR NON-BRANDED ITEMS
OFFICIAL SCHOOL CARIGANS	£2.50	TROUSERS/SHORTS
OFFICIAL SCHOOL POLOS	£1.50	PINAFORES/SKIRTS
GIRLS CHECKED DRESSES	£1.50	SHOES
SCHOOL BAG (NEW STYLE)	£2.50	DAMAGED, MARKED OR STAINED CLOTHING

Items are sold from 1 Park Drive, Melton Park NE3 5QB, with a drop off box in front of the garage. drop off items on the list that can be resold.

Please REMEMBER items must not be marked as they are unable to be sold on. You can text me Natasha Davy (Parent) on 07736276653.



This is the pre-loved uniform drop off area in the main entrance to help us to reuse, recycle and re-love uniform for the benefit of our children and community.



Rainbow Wraparound

Bookings must be made during the booking window which opens on the 10th of each month and closes on the 20th of each month, for the following month.

	Booking opens 12 noon	Booking closes 12 noon
October bookings	September 10 th	September 20 th
November bookings	October 10 th	October 20 th
December booking	November 10 th	November 20 th
January bookings	December 3 rd	December 17 th
February bookings	January 10 th	January 20 th
March bookings	February 10 th	February 20 th
April bookings	March 10 th	March 20 th
May bookings	April 10 th	April 20 th
June bookings	May 10 th	May 20 th
July bookings	June 10 th	June 20 th

Parents must make their own bookings on the school cloud system. The only exception to this is families using vouchers. If you are emailing dates for voucher bookings, you must include

- Your child's name
- The day and date
- The sessions required (breakfast, until 5pm, until 6pm).

If you would like to, you can book sessions in advance for the entire school year.

If you do wish to book the same sessions for the entire school year, please email Mrs Carrick at wraparound@gosforthpark.newcastle.sch.uk

Block bookings can only be made via email or through school cloud (not text message).

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2026 – 2027!

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April bookings	March 10 th	March 20 th
May bookings	April 10 th	April 20 th
June bookings	May 10 th	May 20 th
July bookings	June 10 th	June 20 th
Summer Holiday	June 10 th	July 2 nd
September bookings	June 28 th	July 9 th

Wraparound will close at 5pm on Friday 18th December, Thursday 25th March and Friday 16th July.

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Mrs Carrick

GPFS PTFA
Presents

Gosforth Park Summer Festival

FREE
ENTRY
FOR
EVERYONE

MONDAY 13TH JULY

BRING YOUR
PICNIC
BLANKETS AND
GARDEN GAMES

3.30 - 5.30PM
GPFS FIELD

Food

BURGER £4
SAUSAGE £3
VEGGIE SAUSAGE £3
PIZZA SLICE £1

AS WELL AS
ICE CREAM,
HOT DOGS AND
CAKE!

Activities

GLITTER TATTOOS £1
COLOURED HAIR EXTENSIONS £1
RAINBOW FACEPAINT £1 FOR 2!
RAFFLE £1 A TICKET
TOMBOLAS: BOTTLE AND CHOCOLATE £1 FOR 5
TICKETS AND TEDDY £1 FOR 1 TICKET A PRIZE
EVERY TIME!

CARD MACHINE TO
PURCHASE FOR
FESTIVAL TOKENS
AVAILABLE WITH
GEMMA AT THE
BBQ STALL!

GPFS PTFA

We need your help with the Summer Festival

Chocolate Tombola

Please donate a bar or box of chocolates on Fri 26th June (last day of sports week).

Bottle Tombola

Please bring in a bottle in a bottle bag on Fri 26th June (last day of sports week).

This can be any bottle: alcohol, bubble bath, ketchup etc...

Teddy Tombola

Please donate any unwanted cuddly toys by 6th July. They can be put into the donated uniform bin in the main reception.

Raffle Prizes

Can you donate anything as a raffle prize? Please get in touch. Raffle tickets can be bought before and after school the week before the festival.

Cake Sale

Please donate cakes on the morning of 13th July

Finally!

Sign up for a 30 minute slot on one of our stalls...

Many hands make light work! A link to our sign up sheet will be sent around soon.

All donations to be brought to the main school reception, and left in the community room.





Get Creative Dance
**Summer
School**

**Dance summer
school for young
people aged 7-16**



**Tuesday 18th – Friday 21st August,
9.30am-3pm**

£130 per place early bird until 1 June,
£140 thereafter.

**Gosforth
Civic
Theatre**

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Timetable

Tuesday Street Dance day

Wednesday Musical Theatre day

Thursday Pop Inspired day

Friday Get Creative day

EVERY DAY Bring the Energy.

GET GAMING

Summer Slam!



Thu 6 Aug, 10am-3pm, 6-11 years

Fri 7 Aug, 10am-3pm, 12-18 years

£30 per day early bird (until 1 June), £35 thereafter

Our ever-popular Gaming Social (every Tuesday night during term time - check it out!) is taking a break from its summer holidays for two packed days of console gaming, exhilarating games and loads of fun.

Play old favourites, enjoy new ones, take part in competitions and make friends!

**Gosforth
Civic
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BRING A FRIEND TO HANDBALL

Newcastle Vikings Handball invites new players to come and play some matches and fun games

AGES 4-15

SUNDAY 28TH JUNE 2026

3-5PM

BENFIELD SPORTS CENTRE

NE6 4NU

FREE ENTRY



TO BOOK A PLACE

EMAIL:

NEWCASTLEVIKINGS@GMAIL.COM



Hay & Kilner



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CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL



**Pop-Up Hospital
Event**



**Wednesday 12th
August
10.30am-12.30 &
1- 2.30pm**

Join Fudge at our Pop-Up
Hospital Event!

at
**Newcastle
Cathedral**

St Nicholas Square
Newcastle upon Tyne
NE1 1PF

**FREE
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Enjoy
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activities from

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Healthworks

GNCH
Play Team

Autism Liaison

Dietetics

Tyne & Wear Fire
Brigade

NECTAR
Ambulance
service

Newcastle Hospitals Charity

Citizens Advice

Research
Arts & Crafts!



HEATON STANNINGTON

U7 PLAYERS WANTED

FOR THE 26/27 SEASON



CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR 1

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT JOHN ROBINSON - 07715207722



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SKILLS



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COACHES

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FOR CHILDREN AGED 8-15 YEARS.

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MON-FRI
9AM-4PM**



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WEEK 2: 27TH - 31ST JULY
WEEK 3: 3RD-7TH AUGUST**

BOHEMIANS TENNIS CLUB, SOUTH RIDGE, BRUNTON PARK, GOSFORTH, NE3 2EJ TEL: 07866891868
FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO BOOK YOUR PLACE VISIT:
[HTTPS://CLUBSPARK.LTA.ORG.UK/BENADAMSCOACHING/COACHING/CAMPS](https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/benadamscoaching/coaching/camps)



What Educators Need to Know about INVOICE FRAUD



WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Invoice fraud, including payment diversion fraud, occurs when criminals deceive you into paying a fake invoice or redirect a genuine payment into their own bank account. Fraudsters may impersonate suppliers, intercept emails, or send convincing invoices to prompt urgent payment into fraudulent accounts. It is one of the most common and costly forms of financial crime affecting individuals, businesses, and schools.

COMMUNICATIONS CLAIMING URGENCY

Communications that claim to be urgent or highlight late payments may be a key sign. Fraudsters often apply pressure to rush decisions and stop checks. Take a moment to verify the request using trusted contacts before making any payment.



CHANGES TO BANK DETAILS

Receiving messages saying a regular supplier has changed their bank account details can be a warning sign. Fraudsters may impersonate contacts to redirect payments. Always verify changes first using known supplier contact details.



DISCREPANCIES AGAINST PREVIOUS INVOICES

Be wary of invoice details that don't match authentic, previously issued invoices, such as amounts, reference numbers or contact names. Fraudsters often alter small details to avoid detection. Always query any differences using your supplier's contact details.



MINOR EMAIL CHANGES

Look out for slight changes to a supplier's email address, such as extra characters or spelling differences. Fraudsters often use similar looking addresses to appear genuine. Always check the sender carefully and verify any concerns using known contact details before responding or making a payment.



UNEXPECTED PAYMENT REQUESTS

Invoices or payment requests for goods or services you do not recognise can be a warning sign. Fraudsters may send false invoices hoping they will be paid without question. Check records and confirm with the supplier before processing any unfamiliar request.



UNUSUAL LANGUAGE OR TONE

Messages with unusual wording, grammar or spelling compared to your usual supplier communications may indicate fraud. Criminals often copy legitimate messages but may not match the usual tone or style. The rise in artificial intelligence (AI) means errors are no longer as common or obvious. Be cautious and verify the request if anything seems out of place.



Advice for Parents & Educators

VERIFY BANK DETAILS

Always confirm any change to a supplier's bank details before making a payment. Use a trusted phone number or a long-standing contact you have used before, not the details provided in the request. This helps ensure you are dealing with a genuine supplier and prevents payments being redirected to fraudsters.



CROSS-CHECK INVOICES

Compare new invoices with those previously issued by the supplier in question. Check key details such as amounts, bank details, reference numbers and contact information. Differences may indicate fraud, so always investigate and verify anything that does not match before making a payment.



DUAL PAYMENT APPROVAL

Ask a trusted person to review and approve high-value payments. A second set of eyes can help spot unusual details or warning signs that might otherwise be missed. This adds an extra layer of control and reduces the risk of errors or fraudulent payments being processed.



REPORT FRAUD QUICKLY

If you suspect fraud, act immediately. Contact your bank using 159 or their official number and report it to Report Fraud online or by calling 0300 123 2040. Keep all emails and documents. For more guidance, or to register for counter fraud alerts, see DfE counter fraud guidance. You can find the invoice fraud leaflet on the National Crime Agency website.



Meet Our Expert

Evan Williams is a counter fraud manager at the Department for Education. Having led the function there for many years, he now focuses on continual improvement, communication, and innovation. He proudly oversaw the growth of the counter fraud team during the pandemic, having worked in counter fraud for 16 years since starting his civil service career with the National Crime Agency back in 2010.



See full reference list on our website



7:45AM – start of school day – £5.85

End of school day – 5:00PM – £7.60

End of school day – 6:00PM – £12.25

Holiday Full day 8:00AM – 6:00PM £26.00

Holiday Half day (until or from 1:00PM) £13.00

Phone: 07926 946 565

Email: wraparound@gosforthpark.newcastle.sch.uk

**Please note the following late fees apply for after-school club.
This is because of staffing and overtime incurred:**

**-£5 for every 15 minutes late after 5 o'clock
-£10 for every 15 minutes late after 6 o'clock**

**Pricing and fees will be reviewed at least annually by the Staffing and Finance Committee
Prices from September 1st 2026**

2026

Week 1: 20th – 24th July

Week 2: 27th – 31st July

Week 3: 3rd – 7th August

Week 4: 10th – 14th August

Week 5: 17th – 21st August

Week 6: 24th – 31st August

Half Day £11.95

Full Day £23.90

Places are limited and on a first come first served basis.

Summer Holiday

RAINBOW WRAPAROUND
@gosforthparkfirstschool

If you need to contact Wraparound during the holidays please use the number below as emails **WILL NOT** be monitored regularly
0792 694 6565

Breakfast, morning snack and afternoon snack provided.

Please send your child with a packed lunch (nut free) and dressed for any weather!

Week 1

Under the Sea

A week of exploring our glorious seaside with marine inspired activities as we investigate different sea habitats.

Wednesday – Handball with Marlen!

Week 3

Let's Go Explore

A week full of minibeast hunts, gardening and nature themed activities.

Wednesday AM – visit from ZooLab!

Week 5

Summer Festival

Think Summer Festival vibes – a week of chilling out, friendship bracelets, hair braids, face paints, lunches on the field, chill out tents, music and garden games.

Wednesday AM – visit from DanseFuse!

Week 2

Princesses, Wizards and all things Magical

A magical week of dress up and creative fun as we become Princesses, Wizards and all things magical.

Wednesday PM – Football from StarStrike Soccer!

Week 4

Discover and Do

Experiments galore with exploding volcanoes and ice meteors with a mix of arts and crafts!

Week 6

GPFS does Bake Off!

Put your culinary skills to the test with our week of foodie fun!