

Newsletter



Football Team: We are top of the league in cup competitions. Thanks again to Andrew Jackson for all of his commitment to our team.

Netball Team: We have just got off to a flying start in our league. Many thanks to Rita Surmon-Wells, our netball coach, for her hard work and dedication.



First Holy Communion: The children have almost completed their First Holy Communion Preparation. They are all working really hard. A big thank you to Father Keyes, our parish catechists, parent helpers and school staff for their support and guidance. Our last session is Sun 6th April in the Parish Centre at 9.30am.



London Visit: Our Year 5 trip to London was a great success. The children had a fabulous time. We had a full itinerary including The Cabinet War Rooms museum, watching a performance of 'Wicked!' in the West End, Ripley's Believe it or Not and a visit aboard HMS Belfast. The children had a fabulous time—they were excellent ambassadors for our school. Everywhere we visited—the staff and even members of the public commented on the children's wonderful behaviour. I know our families really appreciated the blog on our website. We are just completing a full report to put on the site now.



Year 3/4 Easter Celebration: Our Lower Junior children are inviting their families to watch their Easter Production.
Year 3—Wed 9th April at 10am
Year 4—Thurs 10th at 10am



Our PTA Valentine Disco was really well attended and the children had a super time. Thank you to all of the PTA helpers for their hard work.



Living eggs: Our eggs and chicks in Reception has been a real success. All children in reception and throughout nursery & school loved it.



Fr Keyes has spoke to our Foundation Stage & Infant children about Baptism. Reception & nursery have visited St Benet's Parish .



Open evenings: Many thanks for your attendance during our parents' meetings. We had excellent attendance and very positive responses. If you were unable to attend please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher to arrange an appointment.



Our Year 1/2 children are going to visit **Souter** Lighthouse on 7th and 8th May. Mrs Wright's group had a lovely visit to Roker Park—many thanks to all of our volunteers.



Y3 & 4 visits —our children in the Lower Juniors have been to a variety of places including Beamish, St Peter's Parish and the Animation workshop at the City Library.



Our school website: If you have a spare minute please could you complete our on-line survey regarding our school website. The link is <https://www.surveymonkey.com/HCGH5NB>



Year 6 SATs information: Many thanks to our families for attending the sessions and to Mrs Rice & Mrs Cawley for organising the meetings. Y6 SATs week begins on Mon May 12th.



20th Anniversary: It is twenty years since our school was built. We are planning some celebrations — if you have any ideas please get in touch.



Year 6 Leavers: A letter has gone out to the Year 6 parents regarding the end of term Leavers' disco. Could all Y6 parents respond asap. Many thanks.



Easter Holiday dates: School closes on Friday 11th April and we return on Monday 28th April. May half-term begins on Mon 26th May.



Happy Easter! Nursery Easter Concert—Tues 8th April at 10am or 2pm



St Aidan's & St Anthony's: We are continuing are links with our feeder secondary schools. This term our partnership work includes—science sessions, art & DT lessons, Modern Foreign Language input and transition support.

Our annual Egg Jarping and Easter decorating competitions take place in our final week of term.



