



Head Teacher Newsletter

Friday 18th May 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

GDPR



No doubt you will already have received lots of information about GDPR. Apologies, but we need to add to that and send you a little more! You should have received this week a variety of paper forms for you to sign and return. From the 25th May, when the new legislation comes into force, you will need to 'opt in' and give us certain permissions, rather than 'opt out' to withhold them. We won't for example be able to include your child on a Facebook post without specific permission to do so. To explain things in simple terms, if you've not become a GDPR nerd like myself, I've included a short guide to GDPR and how it will affect us as a school and you as parents and families.

Birthdays

It's lovely that the children want to bring something into school to share with friends on their birthday. Who doesn't like a nice piece of cake?!



Given what we now know about sugar, I think it's preferable that birthday food brought into school to share isn't sugary sweets. For one thing our Muslim children can't eat a lot of sweets due to the gelatine content. Yes cake will not doubt have sugar in it, but at least it has some nutritional value!

To make life easier it is much appreciated if cake can be pre-cut into thirty pieces beforehand. That way children get their piece of cake that little bit sooner and staff are not frantically trying to locate a sharp knife at the end of the school day.

Sunny afternoons on the yard



The yard is a real sun trap on an afternoon and it's a lovely place to sit and enjoy the sunshine. While enjoying the warmth and good conversation it would be really appreciated if you could keep an eye on little ones particularly on the trim trails – we don't want any slips, falls or bumped heads. Likewise it would be appreciated if children didn't ride bikes or

scooters around the yard before or after school. I fully appreciate it is a great surface to ride on, but the yard is often a crowded space with lots of toddlers accompanying parents to collect older siblings. I'm not trying to spoil the fun, but just prevent a little one being hurt by a fast moving bike or scooter.

Year 6 Leavers' Party

On the 14th July 2018 from 5pm onwards all Year 6 children and their families are welcome to attend the annual Year 6 Leavers' Party at The Northumberland Tennis Club. Tickets are £5 per person.

Please pay for your ticket on Sims Agora and select your BBQ food option – either a 6oz beef burger, foot long jumbo hot dog or veggie burger (all adult meals include salad dishes)

Fun games on the tennis courts, 20ft mega inflatable slide, Sumo wrestling and Buckin Bronco are all included!

Couch to 5k Opportunity

Local running group Jesmond Joggers have asked us to pass on the following information about their next couch to 5k course. Looks like a great opportunity to get on those running shoes!



COUCH TO 5K IN 10 WEEKS

£10 FOR 10 WEEK COURSE

STARTS THURSDAY 24-05-18 FOR 10 WEEKS 7.30 - 8.30PM

New to running or just want to get fit?
Join us on Thursday 24-05-18 - the first step is always the hardest

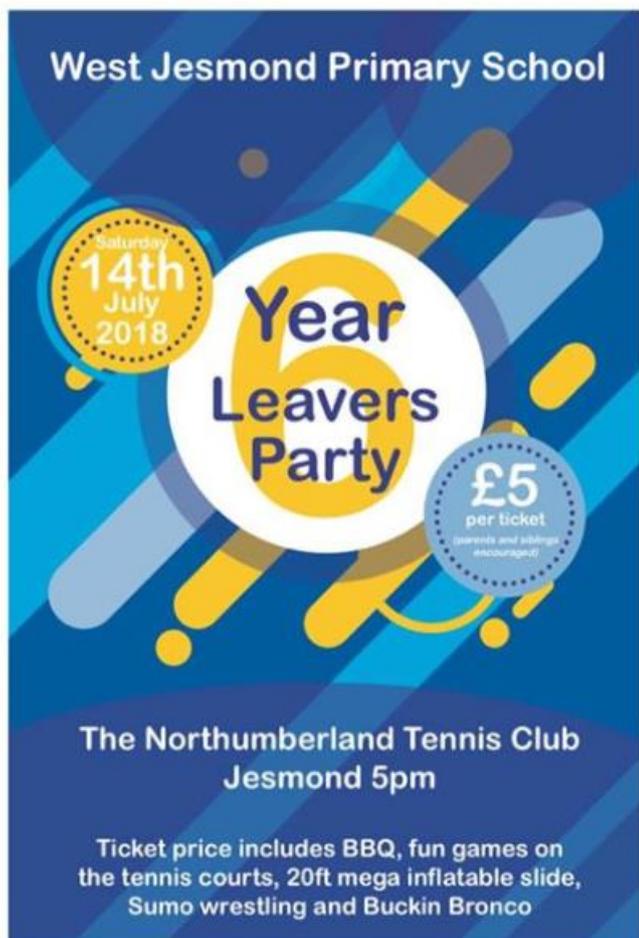
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Incredible Inventors

As part of their Inventors topic last term, all of Y2 entered the Primary Engineer Leaders Award by designing an invention for the future. We're delighted to say all entries received a Pass or Merit. But huge congratulations to Will K and Tanida from 2S who both gained a distinction for their ideas. As a result their designs will be on display at the Discovery Museum on Friday 25th May. Anyone is welcome to go and see them (and other designs from Newcastle) but you need to register online first at:

West Jesmond Primary School

Saturday 14th July 2018

Year 6 Leavers Party

£5 per ticket
(parents and siblings encouraged)

**The Northumberland Tennis Club
Jesmond 5pm**

Ticket price includes BBQ, fun games on the tennis courts, 20ft mega inflatable slide, Sumo wrestling and Buckin Bronco

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-north-east-leaders-awards-2018-public-exhibition-tickets-43744461863>

World Health Innovation Summit Choir Performance

Mrs Wigham was very proud of our school choir today, after their fabulous performance during the World Health Innovation Summit, at Gosforth Civic Theatre.

She would like to remind all members of the school CHOIR, STRING GROUP and RECORDER GROUP that they are performing at Jesmond library on Monday morning. Please could parents remind the children to bring their instruments and music folders to school! Parents are welcome to come along to hear us perform from 11am. Watch this space for a date after half term when our groups will also perform for friends and family in a music assembly. Thank you for your continued support.



Shaun Y3L	Won a medal for Rugby
Ena Y2S	Won a Blue Peter Badge for a fabulous letter detailing how plastic is bad for the environment
George Y2J	Stage 5 Swimming Award Novocastrians RFC Lightning Star Player and Player of the Season 'Goals' Winners Medal for Football
Tom Y2J	800m Swimming Award
Nicholas Y2J	End of Season Trophy at Gosforth RFC
Rahaf Y2J	10/10 for her test at Newcastle Arabic and Quran School
Henry Y1YR	Stage 3 Swimming Award Rugby Trophy
Joshua Y1O	Rugby Trophy
James Y2J	Level 5 Swimming Award End of Season Trophy at

	Northern FC
Anna Y3OB	Gymnastics Level 8
Joseph Y4M	Came 13 th in Richmond Aquathon 2018
Raz Y4M	Completed Level C2 of Kumon English Programme
Otto Y3C	End of Season Trophy at Northern FC
Jack Y1O	Rugby Trophy
Tilly Y4M	WJPS Runner of the Week
Freddie Y1YR	End of Season Trophy at Northern FC
Evie Y4F	250 Dojo Points
Sofia Y2J	250 Dojo Points
Anna Y2J	250 Dojo Points
Rowan Y2J	250 Dojo Points
Kai Y1W	250 Dojo Points
Ahmed Y1W	250 Dojo Points
Anay Y1W	250 Dojo Points
Mohammed Y4M	Level 2 Swimming Award Completed Level 11 of the Lexia Programme

With best wishes for the week ahead,

Dominic Martin

Head of School