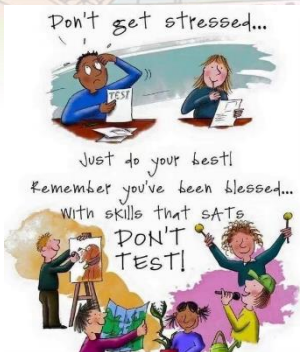


Dear Parents and Carers,

A good part of my week this week has been spent administering and supervising this year's Year 6 SATs tests.



Both children and staff have been fantastic and the week has passed in an appropriately uneventful way. I shall sleep well this weekend knowing that we have done our very best to help the children do their very best – for themselves, rather than because we as a school need to 'get good scores'.

If you are coming along to the **Children's Cancer Run** on Sunday, look out for wonderful new banners created for us using Laura Gledhill's beautiful design. Thank you to Mr Laidler at [www.largeprintworks.co.uk](http://www.largeprintworks.co.uk) for getting them done so quickly- they look great!



We plan to meet together at 11am at the schools' meeting point beside the Border Minstrel. Sadly, I can't make it, but I look forward to seeing all the photographs, as usual on Facebook, after the event. Do give yourself plenty of time to get there and park as it will be a very busy event requiring a prompt start at 11.15am. Good luck to everyone running.

I just wanted to share a few photos of some of the fantastic things we've recently been able to buy for the children as a result of **fundraising by the Friends (PTA)**. Every penny has been carefully spent and as you can see from the photographs, the children are delighted!



Our **Rainbow Creators** have been hard at work crafting some amazing stained glass window art. These are now a very welcome and wonderfully colourful addition to the small office window, at the top of the main staircase. If you're ever passing the office - please stop and take a look!



As the sun keeps shining, don't forget to come and visit our **School Allotment Produce Stall** each **Wednesday from 3pm** in the KS2 yard, to buy plants grown from seeds sown by our children at the allotment.

Don't forget **musicians – string group, recorder group, soloists and Year 5-6 choir members will be performing at Jesmond Library on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May between 10.30 – 11.15am, as part of the Jesmond Community Festival.**

**BUS SAFETY** - Whilst it's far from ideal, due to safety reasons the bus service 112 which currently picks up outside our school will be moving its pick up point at 3.20pm. The pick-up point will now be further down Tankerville Terrace, opposite Henshelwood Terrace. Children will need to leave school unsupervised and walk down Tankerville Terrace to this location.

Young Achievers	
Emmy R2	Fantastic writing
Toby R2	Fantastic writing
Molly Y2S	250 Dojo points
Henry R2	Novocastrians RFC Under 6 Star Player 18-19
Eva Y4S	Stage 3 and Stage 4 Swimming award
Grace Y4S	Judo Competition
Joe Y2JT	Under 8 Football award
Scarlett R2	Badge 5 Gymnastics award
Leo R2	5m Swimming award
Charlie Y1W	Rugby Trophy
Maryam Y1W	Stage 4 Swimming award

With best wishes for the week ahead,

*Dominic*

**Dominic Martin Head of School**