



Wearhead Primary School

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*"THE SMALL SCHOOL WITH THE BIG HEART"
"El Colegio mas pequeño con el corazón mas grande"*

5th July 2019

Dear Parents,

It definitely feels like we are now on the home straight of the summer term however, there is still so much to do in our remaining two weeks and so many really exciting and fun opportunities for the children. Please read the newsletter extra carefully this week as there is a lot information about upcoming events and the things the children will need to have in school to ensure everything runs as smoothly as possible.

Class Teacher Appointment Sept 2019 - I am delighted to inform you that after an intensive day of interviewing, Mrs Halliley has been appointed as our new part-time teacher to replace Mrs Mavin. As you know Mrs Halliley has been working in school as a teaching assistant for the past term but she is a fully trained teacher with a wealth of experience. I am particularly pleased, as it means the children will have great continuity next year with someone they already know and work well with. Mrs Halliley will also continue in her role as teaching assistant for the other three days in school. Mrs Turnbull and Ms Halliley are already working hard, planning together for next academic year to ensure the children continue to experience excellent learning opportunities. I am sure you would want to join with me in congratulating and welcoming Mrs Halliley to our teaching team.

Parent Governor Elections – Nominations for the three parent governor positions on the governing body closed at 12.00 Noon today. We received three nominations for the post and as this was equal to the number of posts available there is no need for an election. Therefore, all three nominees are hereby appointed to serve as Parent Governors on the Wearhead Primary school Governing Body. The three successful nominees are;

Mrs Natalie Dalton
Mr Sean Hayes
Mrs Kealey Dalton

Congratulations and thank you for volunteering to be part of the leadership team of our outstanding school.

Killhope Lead Mining Museum - We had a wonderful time at Killhope on Tuesday 2nd July, travelling up the dale in true style in a double decker plus enjoying all the site has to offer and viewing the Weardale Tub! It was very easy to find a quiet area of the site - despite the fact that there were over 300 people there! As usual, the behaviour of our children was outstanding. Our grateful thanks to Weardale AP for fully funding the project and our transport. Please see the website.

Mr Hopper - Monday 8th July. Please can all children wear home clothes, bring full waterproofs and wellies, plus layers and sun cream if appropriate.

Beamish Hall Hotel 9th July - There is a separate letter in the green folders regarding the KS2 trip.

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Lockerbie Information - For parents of children going to Lockerbie a week today who normally have a school dinner we will provide a packed lunch for your child - however, please will you make sure that your child has a full water bottle with them (this is a requirement of Lockerbie anyway!)

Please will you also confirm with school who will be collecting your child/ren from school upon our return on Sunday 14th July. A phone tree is enclosed - we aim to be back at school for 1500. If we have any hold ups we'll phone Mrs Hayes who will set the jungle drums off and the phone tree can be used to spread the message.

Spending Money – If you would like your child(ren) to have some spending money please can this be sent in in a named purse by Monday 8th July - £3.00 in 50p/£1 coins. Thank you.

Seesaw – We are currently trialling a fantastic new online learning journal with the children called Seesaw. We intend to implement this fully at the start of next academic year but as it is an online personal journal we need to obtain consent from parents in line with general data protection regulations (GDPR). You will have received a separate letter giving you more information about this and a consent form. I would be very grateful if you could complete this and return it as soon as possible and by the end of term at the very latest.

Athletics Festival - Advance date: KS2 children will be taking part in an Athletics Festival at St. John's Chapel School on Tuesday 16th July. They will need a full PE kit and be weather protected. Lunch time arrangements will not alter. The cost of transport is being met from the Sports grant.

Leaver's assembly – This will be in the hall on Friday 19th July at 2pm. Plans are already underway for Head girl's last Wearhead event and of course Mrs Mavin's retirement. Bring your tissues!

Message from Mrs Mavin – can all those who are coming to her retirement party on the 6th July arrive at St John's Chapel Town Hall for 6.45pm. (Parents please remember to bring a bottle!) Thank you.

2nd Message from Mrs Mavin – On Friday 12th July KS1 will be going to Chatterbox café in St John's Chapel. There will be no alterations to the time of arrival and the children will be back in school by lunchtime. There will be no charge for this trip.

FISCH club is **cancelled** on **Tuesday 9th July**. It will resume on Tuesday 16th July which will be the last session.

Atentamente
Tim Hiley and Staff

