

Happy Friday!

Hello, everyone. I hope you have all enjoyed the **sunny weather** this week. As ever, lots has been going on though with it being such a short half-term, we expected it to be busy. A reminder that we have a **Training Day** on **Friday 23rd May** so there are just **nine school days** until we break up for **May half-term**. I hope our **Year Six** children enjoy a relaxing weekend ahead of their **SATs** next week. **Staff** and **children** have all worked **exceptionally** hard this year and I know they'll **do themselves proud**. See you all next week. Mr Routledge

Lucky Tray Day

Next **Thursday** (15th), we will be having our '**Lucky Tray Day**'. Every child who has a **school dinner** that day will have the opportunity to win a **special prize**! Because of this, the menu options for **Thursday** and **Friday** next week will swap. Lunch on **Thursday** will be **chicken/veggie** nuggets or a **pizza wrap** and **chips**.

VE Day

This week in **lessons** and during **assemblies**, we spent time learning about **VE Day** (Victory in Europe Day), a significant **national event** marking the end of **World War II** in Europe. Through **stories**, **discussions** and **age-appropriate activities**, the children explored the importance of this day in **our history** and reflected on the themes of **peace**, **resilience** and **remembrance**. It was a meaningful opportunity for pupils to gain a **deeper understanding** of the past and its **lasting impact** on our world today.



Tesco Stronger Starts

We are delighted to share the exciting news that we have been successful in our **Tesco Stronger Starts** bid and have been awarded a grant of **£500**! This funding will go towards the **repainting** of the school yard, creating a more **engaging** space for our children to enjoy at **playtime** as well as outdoor learning. We would like to extend a heartfelt 'thank you' to all our parents and carers for your fantastic **support** in backing this initiative—your involvement, as ever, makes a huge difference. We look forward to **sharing** the **improvements** with you soon!



SATs

We hope that all of our **Year Six** children enjoy a **peaceful**, **calm** and **relaxing** weekend. We have talked at length about the importance of children 'doing their best' in their assessments next week. Please do your best to ensure that children sleep well and come to school ready to give it their all! Whatever happens, we are all **incredibly proud** and know that they've all made **superb progress** this year. We're looking forward to our **SATs breakfast sandwiches** (thanks **Mrs Lockey** and **Mrs Walton**) and additional treats that are lined up for the remainder of the **Summer Term**. Children will be watching 'Holes' on **Friday** afternoon. This is rated **Parental Guidance** so please get in touch if you'd prefer your child not to watch this film.

Newcastle United Visit

We're very excited to be taking our **Year Six** pupils to **St. James' Park** on **Wednesday 21st May**. They will have a tour of the **stadium** before returning to school in time for lunch. We will be **transported** there by **coach** and leave school at **09:15**. Pupils should wear their normal **school uniform**. Please complete the reply slip which was sent out today and return to school no later than **Friday 16th May**. Hopefully this will provide a nice treat after a busy week next week!

Tiny Tasters

A reminder for those of you who are taking part in our **Tiny Tasters** sessions that the first session takes place this coming **Tuesday**. The sessions run from around **15:15** until **16:45**. Could **parents/carers** who are taking part, please head straight to the **main office** to sign in. Children will be taken straight to the hall by staff at the end of the school day.

Bus

Frustratingly, we have had further **issues** with the **bus** this week. The bus **returned** to school last **Friday** after having a **minor repair** and to receive **statutory servicing**. However, first thing on **Tuesday**, the error light returned on the **dashboard** and we were forced to take the bus back to be assessed. **Mrs Wharton** and the **Year Three** team were able to deliver an **alternative lesson** on rocks around the school grounds. **Year One** then completed their learning on compass directions on the **school field**. Whilst this doesn't replicate the full **beach experience** we are so committed to, it did allow the children to complete their learning in a **practical** and **engaging** way. No beach trips are scheduled for next week so, hopefully, we get the bus back before too many more trips are postponed. We appreciate your **patience** and **understanding** with this.

Save the Date!

Following the huge success of our **Summer Fayres** over the last two years we are holding the **2025** edition on **Wednesday 25th June** from **14:30** until **16:00**. We hope that **parents** and **carers** can come along and **enjoy** the fayre with their children. We will have a range of stalls and would appreciate donations for the following:

- **Raffle prizes** - if you work for or have contacts with any **local businesses** who might **donate** a raffle prize please let us know via the admin@beaconhill.northumberland.sch.uk email address.
- **Donations** of new summer toys or games to add to our raffle hampers.

We kindly request that all donations are **nut free** and that **no alcohol** is donated.

Chocolate Tombola

We would like to invite the children to come to school in non-uniform on **Thursday 22nd May** with a **voluntary chocolate** donation for our **Summer Fayre** chocolate tombola stall. All **proceeds** raised will go towards the new **markings** and **activity areas** which are due to be **painted** onto the yard in **mid June**. Please remember we are a **nut free school** so be careful to ensure donations do not contain nuts. Your support is, as ever, appreciated enormously.





Class Photos

Advanced notice that we have our **Reception** and **Year Six** class **photographs** on **Thursday 26th June**.

Attendance

This week, our **overall attendance** has been absolutely marvellous! All classes from **Years One** to **Six** have recorded **attendance** above our target of **96%**. Year Three were the winners this week with **99.14%** so very well done to them! A reminder that children with **100% attendance** for this half-term (which is just **18 school days**!) will earn an **additional treat** in the **Summer Term**.

Reception - 94.16% **Year One** - 97.84% **Year Two** - 99.07% **Year Three** - 99.14% **Year Four** - 96.43%
Year Five - 96.98% **Year Six** - 99.07%

On the Menu Next Week . . .

W/C 12.05.25	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main Course	Meatballs/Veggie Meatballs in Tomato Sauce	Homemade Mince and Dumplings	Oven Baked Sausage/Veggie Sausage and Mash	Chicken Goujons or Veggie Nuggets	Turkey/Veggie Roast and Yorkshire Pudding
	Fish Cakes	Chicken/Veggie Nuggets	Cheese* and Broccoli Pasta	Pizza* Wrap	Cheese* Melt
	Sandwich (Choice of Fillings)	Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings)	Sandwich (Choice of Fillings)	Sandwich (Choice of Fillings)	Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings)
Potatoes/Pasta/Rice	Pasta or Potato Wedges	Mashed Potatoes	Creamed Potatoes or Garlic Bread	Chips	Roast Potatoes or Crusty Bread
Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables
Salad Bar	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad
Desserts	Strawberry Whip (Contains Milk)	Flapjack (Dairy Free) with a Glass of Juice	Ice Cream (Dairy Free Available)	School Pudding of the Day (Dairy Free Available)	Homemade Carrot Cake (Contains Milk)