

3<sup>rd</sup> June 2025

Newsletter

Summer 2

Dear Families,

Welcome back to the final, and very busy, half term of this academic year. Our character values for the summer term have so far been 'curiosity and critical thinking', and 'resilience and determination'. For the final weeks, we will be focussing on 'collaboration and communication with society', which supports the children moving on to new schools and up to the next year group with their transition, and the important role our school plays in the local community.

With this value in mind, yesterday some of our Year 4 pupils visited Foxton Court, our local care home for the elderly, as we began an intergenerational project by making some new friends through a 'singing and signing' session. We were warmly welcomed by the staff and residents (and Ted the dog!) and the children had a brilliant time using sign language to sign greetings to each other, and sing 'Somewhere over the rainbow' altogether. We are very excited to welcome our new friends into school during Arts week in July, to share some drawing and chatting time.



## **Art Project 2025 - Life's a Beach!**

Mrs Kendrick (Art Leader) and Mrs Calvert (Music Leader)

**During the week beginning Monday 7th July, our school will be celebrating the arts with our whole school project 'Life's a Beach!' Could you help us out?**

### **Calling all parents!**

Do you have a career linked to art, music, dance or drama? Would you be able to;

- Come into school and talk to classes of children about your career?
- Lead a drama or dance session around a beach theme? Or read a story set at the beach?
- Hold a crafty session for classes with a focus on the theme of summer, beaches, etc?
- Help out with a planned craft activity in class?

Please contact [admin@morpethfirst.northumberland.sch.uk](mailto:admin@morpethfirst.northumberland.sch.uk) or send a message to Mrs Kendrick/Mrs Calvert via See-Saw if you are interested in helping out-thank you!



## Weekend help

If anyone is visiting a beach over a weekend, could you collect interesting pebbles? Shells? Fossils? This would help resource our observational drawing sessions.

## Home activities

**Beach photo competition** - Your child can take a photo of their favourite beach. A prize is available for the best in each class!

## Paint a rock

Find a rock perfect for painting, paint your own picture on the rock and enter our competition. Prizes for the most creative rock! Once the rocks have been judged, with your permission we'd like to place rocks around the local community with a message. This would promote our character values of community spirit and kindness.



These two competitions would both be judged during Arts week beginning 7th July.

## Miss Beryl White

We are sad to hear about the recent passing of the ex Headteacher of our school, Miss White. Miss White was the Headteacher at the old Goosehill school for 29 years before retiring, and Miss Reay taking over the role. I'm sure there will be many parents and grandparents who remember her well, and we send our sympathy to her friends and family.

## Dates for your diary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Multiplication check
9 <sup>th</sup> -13 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Residential trip to Chollerford
	Year 1 Phonics screening check
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Non-uniform day (PTA-voluntary donation of hamper items)
<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	<b>Teacher training day - school closed to pupils</b>
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3 trip to see Aladdin @ Chantry Middle School
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 and 2 Sports Day @ 2pm Year 4 trip to Brinkburn Priory
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3 and 4 Sports Day @ 2pm
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception and Nursery Sports Day @ 1.45pm Year 2 trip to St Mary's Lighthouse
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Font Alliance School Games @ Ponteland Community Primary 10am-2pm
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fair @ 3pm (PTA)
7 <sup>th</sup> - 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Arts week
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 4 Leavers disco @ 1.30pm
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 3 trip to Wallington Hall
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 1 trip to Rising Sun Country Park
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Colour Run (PTA sponsored event)
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 4 Leavers Assembly @ 9am (both classes)

Thank you for your continued support,  
Nadine Fielding  
Head teacher