

Newsletter Friday 26th April 2024



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A wonderful opportunity for girls and boys in Years 2 to 6 to have a first-hand experience of being a Chorister.

hearing them sing, and making music together. They will also have the opportunity to have a tour of the Cathedral, play the organ, and do a craft activity together.



Chorister Experience is a wonderful opportunity for boys and girls in Years 2 to 6 to have a first-hand experience of being a Chorister.

Schedule for the day

12.30 p.m. Registration in the Chapter House
12.50 p.m. Welcome
1.10 p.m. Choir Practice
2.00 p.m. Craft activity, tour of the Cathedral and organ playing activity Break with a snack provided

A separate schedule for parents/guardians will run alongside this.

The day is free of charge and all children in Years 2 to 6 and their parents/ guardians are welcome. No previous experience is necessary, just a love of singing and plenty of enthusiasm! Children are asked to wear their school uniform please

To apply for a place or for more information, please contact us by email on music@durhamcathedral.co.uk or by phone on 0191 374 4066.

#### **Diary Dates**

Over the page you will find dates for your diary for the Summer Term in school. New events will be added along the way so keep an eye on the weekly Newsletter for updates 😊

Stars of the week Friday 26th April 2024						
Ms. Lilley's Class – <b>ELM</b> Victor L						
Miss Defty's Class – <b>OAK</b>	Ava B					
Miss Purves's Class – MAPLE	Honey C					
Mrs. Appleby's Class - WILLOW	Molly T					
Mr. Churchill's Class— SYCAMORE	Orla C					
Miss O'Neil's Class - PINE	Bertie F-L					
Pupil's Pupil	Esmee P / Sasha S					
Staff member of the week	Miss Defty					

Attendance week commencing 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2024						
Reception 100						
Year 1	91.3					
Year 2	96.67					
Year 3	98.33					
Year 4	94.29					
Year 5	98					
Year 6	91.54					

#### Pick up time

Please can I request that parents and carers do not approach or speak to class teachers whilst they are dismissing their class. As you can appreciate, this is a busy time of the day and teachers need to ensure that all children are dismissed safely and in line with our safeguarding guidelines without being distracted. Teachers will be more than happy to chat once all children in the class have been dismissed.

Many thanks,

Mr Appleby

#### **Class Dojo**

Just a reminder that ClassDojo is one of the ways to contact your class teacher. Individual class notices are posted by class teachers and also whole school messages. Please bear in mind that any messages after 6pm will not be responded to until the following day.

#### Shakespeare's Birthday

On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> of April, BigFoot Education came into school to host workshops about Shakespeare to celebrate his birthday. Children learned how to do 'stage fighting'; acted out scenes from A Midsummer Night's Dream and practiced the iconic speeches from Macbeth and Hamlet! The children had a great time bringing to life some classic works of English Literature.

#### **Year 6 Public Speaking**

On Monday this week Mrs Osborne (Oliver and Jacob's mam) came into school to deliver a workshop around public speaking to our Year 6 children. I'm sure you will agree this was a wonderful opportunity for the class to work with Mrs Osborne and huge thanks to her for giving up her time to offer her expertise 😊

#### **School Photographs**

A little reminder that order forms need to be returned by Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May. Thank you.



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### **Summer Term 2024**

Diary	Dates
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	Diary Dales					
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> April	Chartwell Workshops whole school – Being Sugar Savvy!					
Fri 3rd May	Family Friday 9.00-9.30am					
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> May	BANK HOLIDAY -SCHOOL CLOSED					
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> May	WHOLE SCHOOL VISITING CHURCH (TBC)					
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	/ear 2/3 and 4/5 Mini-Tennis Competition					
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Celebration Worship and reflection – FAMILIES INVITED					
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> - Thu 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATS week					
Thur 16 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 3/4 Residential to Grinton Lodge					
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Ms Lilley's Class Worship – Parents invited					
Thur 23rd May	Year 2 – Outdoor Adventure Day – children to come in their PE kit					
Fri 24th May	Shorts and Shades Day					
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Last day of term. School closes for half-term break					
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> May	BANK HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED					
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> May	HALF TERM HOLIDAY -SCHOOL CLOSED					
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	School re-opens					
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Key Stage 2 Mixed Cricket Competition – Blackhall Cricket Club					
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Family Friday 9.00-9.30am					
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Phonics Screening tests					
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Leavers Service – Durham Cathedral					
Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5/6 Athletics Competition - Easington Colliery Primary School					
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Celebration Worship and reflection – FAMILIES INVITED					
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Easington's Got Talent Auditions – KS2					
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4/5 Netball Competition – Dene House Academy					
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Easington's Got Talent Auditions – EYFS and KS1					
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Afternoon 1.30pm					
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3/4 Cricket Skills Festival - Easington Cricket Club					
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 6 to Easington Academy – Taster Day					
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Easingtons Got Talent Final – 6pm					
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 1/2/3/4 Athletics Competition					
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Family Friday 9.00-9.30am					
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fair 3.30pm					
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 /6 Manor Adventure Residential Trip					
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Coastal Wellbeing Walk					
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leaving Service					
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> July	School closes for Summer Holidays					

May 2024 (17 days)								
Wk	Мо	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	
18			1	2	3	4	5	
19	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
20	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
21	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
22	27	28	29	30	31			
Bank Holiday								

School Holiday

	June 2024 (20 days)								
Wk	Мо	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su		
22						1	2		
23	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		
24	10	11	12	13	14	15	16		
25	17	18	19	20	21	22	23		
26	24	25	26	27	28	29	30		

	July 2024 (17 days)								
Wk	Мо	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su		
27	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
28	8	9	10	11	12	13	14		
29	15	16	17	18	19	20	21		
30	22	23	24	25	26	27	28		
31	29	30	31						

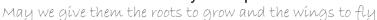
	August 2024							
Wk	Мо	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	
31				1	2	3	4	
32	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
33	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
34	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
35	26	27	28	29	30	31		

PD Days - 4th Sept 2023, 5th Jan, 28th March and 22nd July, 23rd July 2024

The number of term days shown is 195. Five days within the above school terms are to be used for Professional Development (PD) days when pupils will not attend. The 2024/25 school year will begin on Wednesday 4 September 2024.

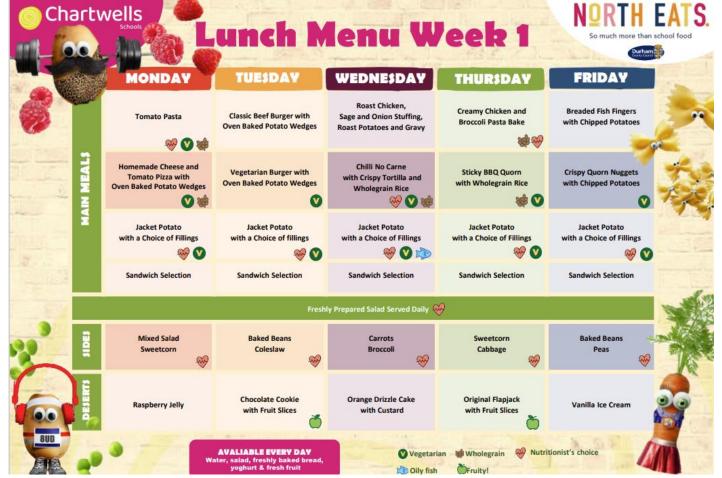


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