



Diary Dates

Autumn Term 2024	
Fri 25th – Sun 3rd Nov	Autumn Half Term – School Closed
Mon 4th Nov	School reopens
Thur 7th Nov	Open Afternoon for prospective parents 2-5pm
Fri 8th Nov	Bacon/Sausage Butty morning 8.15am
Fri 8th Nov	Family Friday 9-9.30a.m./Stay and Play Ms Lilley's class Theme – Anti Bullying Week
Mon 11th Nov	Seaton Holme - Armistice Day Commemoration 10.45-11.05am – Families welcome
Tues 12th Nov	Mrs Appleby's Class Collective Worship 9.15am all welcome
Wed 20th Nov	Whole School at Church 9:30am – families welcome
Mon 25th Nov	Parental Consultation meetings
Tue 26th Nov	Parental Consultation meetings
Thur 28th Nov	Phototronics – individual photographs and siblings (including younger siblings who have not yet started school) 8.30am
Mon 2nd Dec	Non-uniform day (donations in aid of Christmas Fair)
Thur 5th Dec	Open Afternoon for prospective parents 2-5pm
Fri 6th Dec	Family Friday 9-9.30a.m./Stay and Play Ms Lilley's class Theme – Reading for pleasure
Fri 6th Dec	Tree Lighting at Seaton Holme 3.30pm
Mon 9th Dec	Reception and Year 1 Nativity - time to be confirmed PM
Tues 10th Dec	Reception and Year 1 Nativity - time to be confirmed AM
Wed 11th Dec	Advent Service St. Mary's 2.15pm. All welcome
Thur 12th Dec	Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 13th Dec	Christmas Market 3.30pm
Mon 16th Dec	School Choir Christmas Concert 4.30pm
Tues 17th Dec	Christmas Party/Disco – YR/1/2 4.45-5.45pm Y3/4/5/6 6-7pm
Fri 20th Dec	Non-uniform day
Fri 20th Dec	School closes for Christmas break
Fri 20th Dec – Sun 5th Jan	Christmas Holidays - School Closed
Mon 6th Jan	School Closed - PD Day for school staff
Tues 7th Jan	School reopens

Stars of the week Friday 25th October 2024

Ms. Lilley's Class – ELM	Dollie H
Miss Defty's Class – OAK	Zak G
Mr Churchill's Class – MAPLE	George E
Mrs Appleby's Class - WILLOW	Jacob O
Mr Nelthorpe's Class– SYCAMORE	Jamie H
Miss O'Neil's Class - PINE	Joseph G
Pupils' Pupil	Freya M / Florence M
Staff member of the week	Miss O'Neil
Mr Appleby's Special Book	Goodness L

Attendance week commencing Monday 14th October 2024

Reception	96
Year 1	97.92
Year 2	88.57
Year 3	90.56
Year 4	98.89
Year 5	86.82
Year 6	97

End of the half term

On behalf of staff and governors, I would like to wish you all a restful, happy half term break. It has been an extremely busy and enjoyable half term. Thank you to everyone for all your support and kindness over the past 8 weeks. We look forward to seeing you all after the half term break for another fun, exciting and hardworking half term.

Mr. Appleby



Open Afternoons

Thursday 7th November

and Thursday 5th December

Drop in between 2.00-5.00pm



Please help us spread the word about our upcoming Open Afternoons



Come and have a look around our wonderful school to see what we offer our children and families.



Parking Issues – Immediate action required.

Dear parents/carers,

I need your help and support with an issue that is becoming extremely concerning and putting **our children in serious danger**. This issue is parking outside of school, including dropping off and collection time.

This has been an ongoing issue for a long time now and as a school, we have tried our best to address the issue (texts, letters, newsletter etc.) all without success.

A small minority of parents or other family members are **parking illegally**, including parking on double yellow lines and in bus stops. This is causing dangerous situations outside of school including buses having to take over cars, bus drivers not being able to park in the bus stop and most importantly, **drivers not being able to see children crossing the road**.

When the school starts back after the half term holiday, please can I request that people park in a sensible, legal and safe place when dropping off and collecting their children. Even if this means parking further away from school and walking, we **must** put the health and safety of our children first. I appreciate how busy and hectic life can be at times and everything is a rush, but somethings are simply more important, the children.

I fully understand that the absence of a School Crossing Patrol is not helping, which is why it is even more important for adults to be responsible and to ensure the safety of our children. The School Crossing Patrol is unfortunately a situation beyond our control and, like you, one we are hoping will get resolved as soon as possible.

As a strong school community, we must pull together to address this issue as a matter of urgency. Thank you for your support with this important matter.

Mr Appleby

HOW TO STAY SAFE THIS BONFIRE NIGHT

- Once a firework is lit, do not reapproach it.
- Avoid using flammable liquids such as petrol to help start your bonfire.
- Keep a bucket of water nearby in case of unexpected fires and for old fireworks.
- Keep all pets indoors and away from the loud noises.
- Ensure that children are supervised at all times, and that they are not allowed to handle fireworks.

ParentPay

COUNT ON US

Please could ParentPay accounts be brought up to date over the half term holiday. Thank you for your co-operation.
Mr Appleby

NHS
North East-Central, School Aged Immunisation Service

Has your child missed their flu vaccine?

It is not too late to protect them!

Our community clinics are:

- 28 October 2024 – Chester le Street Family HUB – 9am to 4pm
- 29 October 2024- Bishop Auckland family Hub – 9am to 4pm
- 1 November 2024 – Brandon Family Hub – 9 am to 4pm

To book onto a clinic please call 0333 3583 397, option 3, option 2
Monday – Friday 9AM – 5PM