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Weekly News



REMINDER- SCHOOL TELEPHONE LINE IS OPEN MONDAY-FRIDAY 8.30am-4.00pm

Dear Parents, Carers, Staff and Governors,

Thank You

We would like to say a huge thank you to all parents and carers for your continued support with our new systems, both in the mornings and at the end of the day. **We have received so many lovely comments this week, which have been greatly appreciated by the whole staff team.**

We are also very excited to see how the school will look once all of the landscaping work has been completed—it is already starting to make such a positive difference. The new entrances are making life so much easier. The sun is helping too!

We would like to gently remind parents and carers to please park responsibly on Sheraton Road. Safeguarding everyone is everyone's responsibility.



We are delighted to share that parking is once again available in the Big Club car park at drop-off and pick-up times for parents and carers. We kindly ask that this facility is used wherever possible, to help keep Sheraton Road as car-free as we can.

Thank you to all families who choose to 'park and stride' and to everyone who does all they can to prioritise safety for our whole school community. Your cooperation and support truly make a difference.

Newsletter Survey



This week's winner will be announced on Monday 27th April and will be in next week's newsletter.

There is no newsletter 'lucky word' this week to put in a box on Monday morning but keep reading our newsletter because this will be launched again really soon.



COMMUNITY LINKS

🌟 Sign up now – All Stars & Dynamos Cricket is back! 🌟

We're excited to announce that our All Stars and Dynamos programmes are now open for booking – the perfect way for kids to have fun, make friends and get active through cricket 🏏

📅 Starts: Thursday 28th May

🕒 Time: 6:00pm – 7:00pm

📅 Duration: 8 weeks (weekly sessions)

Whether your child is brand new to cricket or already loves the game, All Stars (ages 5–8) and Dynamos (ages 8–11) are all about fun, confidence and learning new skills in a safe, supportive environment.

👉 Book your place now using the links below:

🔗 All Stars – <https://ecb.clubspark.uk/Book/981afa8d-362f-4244-ba0b-3a643aac531d?venue=newtonaycliffe>

🔗 Dynamos – <https://ecb.clubspark.uk/Book/9433011d-a23d-4b18-b6c7-b2eeb323db04?venue=newtonaycliffe>

Spaces are limited, so don't miss out – we can't wait to welcome lots of new faces to the club! 🙌

All Stars Cricket

➤ 5-8 year olds

➤ Thursday 28th May x 8 weeks 18:00-19:00

➤ Includes personalised kit bag, bat, ball and t-shirt

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Online Parent Courses



Emotional Wellbeing

Tuesday 5 May 2026, 9.30 am—11.30 am

This session will focus on emotional wellbeing, what is it and how can we improve it for ourselves and our children.

Understanding Behaviour Development in Children & Young People

Tuesday 12 May 2026, 9.30 am—11.30 am

This session will look at behavioural norms in the developing child and how adult behaviour influences this. We will look at the challenges parents and carers may face and how they can support their children and young people to develop resilience and manage risk as they grow to adulthood and independence.

Understanding Why Children Might Be Anxious About School

Tuesday 2 June 2026, 9.30 am—11.30 am

This is an awareness session to increase understanding of why children might be anxious about school, identify potential triggers and look at available support and strategies. This session is suitable for parents/carers of all school aged children but may be of limited value to parents of children with more complex needs.


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Parent Carer (of children and young people aged 0-25yrs)
TRAINING & information
Sessions



Anxiety (Two age groups)

Over 11 years

Tuesday 9 June 2026, 9.30am—11.30am

Tuesday 7 July 2026, 9.30am—11.30am

5-11 years

Tuesday 16 June 2026, 9.30am—11.30am

Tuesday 30 June 2026, 9.30am—11.30am

This session looks at what anxiety is, what the triggers might be, how to identify it and how we can support our children and young people.

Please book a place using the link or QR code directly below:

[CAMHS Training Booking Form - Parents Carers](#)



To visit our Trust website, for further information, please scan the QR code at the bottom of this page. The sessions are aimed at parents of school aged children but parents of younger/older children are very welcome. The sessions will be led by a CAMHS trainer and run on Microsoft Teams. If you have any additional needs, please email tevw.countydurhamcamhstraining@nhs.net


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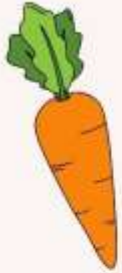


GROW YOUR OWN VEG WORKSHOPS



WITH GREAT AYCLIFFE GARDEN GUILD!

All our events are suitable for beginners of all ages and experienced gardeners alike!



Learn how to prune your fruit trees - Saturday 21st February 1-3pm

Seed Sowing! Grow your own potatoes and tomatoes!

Thursday 26th February 10-12noon

Garden planning and crop rotation - Wednesday 4th March 6.30 to 8.30pm

No Dig Gardening - Saturday 7th March 1-3pm

Seed Sowing! Grow your own veg seeds - Wednesday 18th March 5-7pm

Seed Sowing! Grow your own veg seeds - Wednesday 15th April 10-12noon

Garden tips and looking after your veg plants! - Wednesday 13th May 5-7pm

Garden tips and companion planting - Wednesday 17th June 5-7pm

Taking plant cuttings and harvesting tips - Wednesday 15th July 5-7pm

Composting and looking after the soil - Wednesday 14th October 5-7pm

Please get in touch to find out more and book a place!

Join us at Clarence Chare Allotments, Clarence Chare,

Newton Aycliffe DL5 5HX. 07340606402.

Great Aycliffe Garden Guild on [Facebook](#)



Outdoor
And
Sustainability
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Specialists

Compost toilet on site!





DIARY DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR- Summer Term 2026

More dates will be added soon

Summer Term (1)

WEEK 2	
Monday 27 th April	Tempest Photography for Reception and Year 6
Tuesday 28 th April	
Wednesday 29 th April	Class 1 Visit to Newton Aycliffe Allotments Year 3 Visit to Faith Museum
Thursday 30 th April	
Friday 1 st May	

WEEK 3	
Monday 4 th May	BANK HOLIDAY- school closed
Tuesday 5 th May	
Wednesday 6 th May	Faith Museum Event in school for Nursery Children
Thursday 7 th May	Faith Museum Event in school for Reception Children
Friday 8 th May	

WEEK 4	
Monday 11 th May	Year 6 SATs
Tuesday 12 th May	Year 6 SATs
Wednesday 13 th May	Year 6 SATs
Thursday 14 th May	Year 6 SATs
Friday 15 th May	

We hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs O'Rourke and Mrs Legge