



# Sedgefield Primary School

Learning Together for Life



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## DATES

### April

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Break up for Easter Holidays
- 20<sup>th</sup> Children Return
- 24<sup>th</sup> Spring Term short report goes out to parents
- 29<sup>th</sup> Y1 trip to the Hancock Museum

### May

- 4<sup>th</sup> Bank Holiday
- 11<sup>th</sup> Y6 SATs Week
- 15<sup>th</sup> Disability Sports Day
- 16<sup>th</sup> Mediaeval Fair
- 18<sup>th</sup> Class photos
- 18<sup>th</sup> Open Afternoon KS1 and KS2
- 19<sup>th</sup> Y6 Class Assembly (9.05am)
- 22<sup>nd</sup> (3.20pm) break up for half Term
- 29<sup>th</sup> Book Fair (until 6<sup>th</sup> May)

### June

- 1<sup>st</sup> Return after Half Term
- 1<sup>st</sup> Year 4 Multiplication Check fortnight commences
- 8<sup>th</sup> Year 1 (and some Y2) Phonics Screening Test week.
- 16<sup>th</sup> Early Years assembly followed by open morning
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Sports Week
- 26<sup>th</sup> Sports Day

### July

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Transition Afternoon (TBC)
- 10<sup>th</sup> Sports Day (if previous one postponed due to weather)
- 10<sup>th</sup> Reports to parents/carers
- 17<sup>th</sup> Break up for summer holidays

I really have no idea how many newsletters I have written over the years and now it's my final one.

Being the Headteacher of such a fantastic school has been my privilege for almost 16 years. Spending time with such amazing children has been wonderful and I have so many special memories, which I will cherish.

I know the school will go on from strength to strength in the capable hands of Mrs Collings, Mrs Smith, the fabulous staff team and the dedicated governors. I know the school is in good hands.

The school is also saying goodbye to Mrs Elsa Smith. Not many teachers devote 31 years to a school and a community. She has set so many children on their learning path over those years and has made such a difference to so many families. Her college students will be similarly helped and supported by her, I am sure. We wish her the very best as she starts the next chapter of her working life.

Thank you for all the support you have given to the school. I am sure you will continue to do so.

With my very best wishes for the future to the whole Sedgefield Primary Community,  
Andrea Cox.



Year 1 had a fantastic day at Preston Park Museum. They took part in a 'Toys in the Past' workshop and made their own small toy.



We hope Mums and Grandmas enjoyed their Mothers' Day lunch. It was lovely to see you all.

## Easter Service

Thank you to everyone who came to the Easter Service. The children were amazing, as always.

## School Meals

Just a reminder that the cost of school meals from 20<sup>th</sup> April will be £3.08 per day (£3.70 per day for Nursery children as VAT is charged on their meals).



## Uniform

Just a reminder that Michael Sehgal & Sons is our uniform provider.

<https://www.michaelsehgal.co.uk/schools/sedgefield-primary/>

However, there is no requirement to have uniform with badges. High Street or Supermarket bought uniform is just as good.

As the weather improves, the children may wear shorts and gingham dresses. We politely ask parents/carers to ensure children are in uniform (not trainers or leggings) and that the only jewellery they wear is a watch and a single pair of **small, plain** studs.

## Good Attendance

March's attendance winners were Year 1, with an attendance of 96.7% school every day in March. They will be enjoying a bit of extra playtime as a reward.

## Policies

You can find all of our policies on our website: <https://www.sedgefield-pri.durham.sch.uk/school-info-2/school-policies>

## Website

Please don't forget to keep checking our website: <http://www.sedgefield-pri.durham.sch.uk>. You can also access Facebook from there, so you can keep up to date with things as they're happening.

Thank you for supporting Red Nose Day. We raised £314.50. Thank you too for sending your children to school in such amazing costumes for World Book Day. They looked incredible!



Nursery are looking forward to Easter. They have been reading the story 'We're Going on an Egg Hunt'. They have been sorting and counting eggs; they have been on an egg hunt and have made Easter nests.



Year 2 investigated axles before creating their own wheeled vehicles.



Year 4 had a fabulous time at the dance festival. They were awarded a certificate for originality.



Year 3 examined the structure and function of leaves in their science lesson. They looked at how plants can make their own food and the differences between deciduous and evergreen trees. As part of their Experience Day, they enjoyed a fun story called 'Ketchup on Your Cornflakes' by Neil Sharratt and explored silly sentences.



Check out more of Year 6's fantastic photos on Facebook



Year 5 have really enjoyed the mini-police project. The class learned about anti-social behaviour and who this affects. As they had listened, answered questions and behaved so well, they were given the opportunity to try on some of the police uniforms.



Reception enjoyed their morning on the school field, taking part in an Easter Egg orienteering activity and then a real Easter Egg Hunt.

