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Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to the first Newsletter of the last half term of this academic year. I cannot believe we are almost at the end of another school year!

Can I take the opportunity to ask parents/carers to ensure children are dressed appropriately for the weather as the weather at this time of year can be very changeable. Please ensure children come to school wearing sun protection and a hat in hot, sunny weather and bring a coat if it looks like we are going to have rain showers.

Enterprise week: Each year Year 6 set themselves a challenge of running a successful business. This year, starting on Monday, 11th June until Friday, 15th June, they will be setting up a tuck shop, selling a variety of savoury and sweets snacks and drinks at break time. They use their profits to raise money for their leavers' hoodies. Everything is priced at under £1.00. Other children are encouraged to support them by purchasing their wares! They have also organised a raffle. Raffle tickets will be sold daily in classrooms. Tickets cost 50p per strip. Please support our Year 6 entrepreneurs!

Uniform: As you can imagine our uniform suppliers are getting really busy in the run up to the summer holidays. If you would like to place an order for school uniform can you please do so as soon as possible to ensure your order arrives before the summer holidays.

Our school uniform consists of:

Grey or black school trousers, skirt or pinafore
Yellow polo shirt
Royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan
Black school shoes (no trainers)

Our PE consists of:

Plain white tee-shirt
Plain black shorts

Educational visits: Next week is extremely busy with educational visits. On Monday Year 2 are going to Alnwick Castle. Reception are going to Gibside on Tuesday and Nursery are going to Cherryburn on Wednesday. I am sure they will all have a fantastic time!

Sports Day - Nursery Sports day this year will be on Tuesday, 10th July, between 10.45am and 11.45am in school. Parents/carers are welcome to attend.

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Reception to Year 6 Sports Day is on Thursday, 5th July at Thorp Academy between 9.30am and 11.45am. Parents/carers should make their own way to Thorp after dropping children off at school. Entry will be via Ryton Infant School. There are no parking facilities at the school – parking is available at Ryton Rugby Club. We have been informed by Thorp Academy that should it rain their halls are not large enough to hold both adults and children. A decision around what we would do has not yet been made – watch this space.

Year 6 Leavers' Assembly and Nursery Graduation: The Year 6 Leavers' Assembly is on Wednesday, 11th July at 2.00pm. The Nursery Graduation is on Tuesday, 17th July at 11.30am. Parents/carers are invited to attend. This only applies to children who are leaving Nursery and starting Reception in September.

Reminder: Our last occasional day this year will be taken on Friday, 20th July. School closes at 3.20pm on Thursday, 19th July. School re-opens for the autumn term on Monday, 3rd September.

Batteries: There is a battery disposal unit on the infant yard. If you have any old batteries that you would like to dispose of please use the box provided. There is a competition to see who can collect the most batteries with the chance to win £500 for the school.

Year 2 Assembly: Mrs Linsley and Year 2 would like to invite parents/carers to come to their assembly at 2.55pm on Friday, 15th June. They are practising hard for the assembly and look forward to seeing you there!

Sponsored event: The School Council have chosen to support the CLIC Sargent cancer charity this year and have arranged a sponsored event to raise money for them. Your child will bring home a letter explaining how you can help raise money together with a sponsor form. Please ask family and friends to sponsor the children to raise as much money as we can for this well-deserved charity.

Blaydon Race: The annual Blaydon Race takes place tomorrow! I hope that everyone taking part, including children from our school, have a fantastic time at the event. I am sure there will be plenty of people along the way to cheer them onto the finish line. Please be aware that there are road closures in Blaydon tomorrow afternoon in preparation for the event.

Attendance: This week's attendance is 95.2% which is just below our attendance target. Year 4 had the highest attendance this week with 100%! Well done Year 4.

SIMON BROWN
Head Teacher

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