



FISHBURN PRIMARY SCHOOL

PARENT / CARER NEWSLETTER



September 2019

Important Dates for your Diary

19th September 2019	Thursday	All	School Nurse Drop-In Session
23rd September 2019	Monday	Y6	KS2 SATs Meeting (3.20 pm)
14th & 15th October 2019	Monday & Tuesday	Reception—Y6	Parents Evenings (3.30 pm—5.30 pm)
15th & 16th October 2019	Tuesday & Wednesday	All	School Photos
22nd October 2019	Tuesday	Reg Y4/5 & Y6	Bede's World, Jarrow
24th October 2019	Thursday	EYFS	Zoo Lab

Summer 2019	Friday 19th July 2019	Wednesday 4th September 2019
Autumn Half Term 2019	Thursday 24th October 2019	Monday 4th November 2019
Christmas 2019	Friday 20th December 2019	Monday 6th January 2020
Spring Half Term 2020	Friday 14th February 2020	Monday 24th February 2020
Easter 2020	Thursday 2nd April 2020	Monday 20th April 2020
VE Day Anniversary	Thursday 7th May 2020	Monday 11th May 2020
Summer Half Term 2020	Friday 22nd May 2020	Monday 1st June 2020
Summer 2020	Friday 17th July 2020	To be determined

Teacher Training Days—Tuesday 3rd September 2019. Friday 25th October 2019.

Friday 3rd April 2020. Monday 20th July 2020.

School Term Dates

Please take these into consideration when booking holidays. We are unable to authorise holiday absences during term time, except in exceptional circumstances. A reminder that parents face a fixed penalty notice from **Durham County Council** if their child has **14 or more unauthorised absences (which is 7 full school days)**.

All events are subject to change to respond to business needs of the school. We will keep you informed of changes via text or letter. You will also be informed of additional events which may happen at short notice by letter or text.

Welcome Back to a New School Year!

Welcome back to all of our children and families. We hope you all had a fantastic summer break and are looking forward to the forthcoming year.

Mobile Phones

We do not encourage pupils to bring mobile phones to school. However, we do recognise in Years 4/5 and 6 that mobile phones may have a part to play in securing pupils personal safety on journeys travelling to and from school. If your child walks to and from school on their own and needs to bring a mobile phone to into school with them, can you please ensure you sign and return to the school office the mobile phone agreement which you received last week.

Please note, a pupil will not be allowed to bring in a mobile phone, without having a signed mobile phone agreement in place.

Flu Immunisations

Children from Reception to Year 6 are been offered the Flu Vaccine in school on **Friday 13th December 2019**. If you wish for your child to have the flu vaccine and you have not already given your consent, please visit the following link www.hdft.nhs.uk/electronic-consent. The secure school code is **114095**, you will need to use this when registering your child/children. **The deadline for registering your child/children is Friday 27th September 2019**. If you do not have internet access please contact the immunisation team on 03000 032554.

Dinner Money

Nursery Dinner Money is £2.46 per day or £12.30 per week. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a free school meal under the Universal Free School Meal System. Dinner Money for children in Years 3/4/5 and 6 is £2.05 per day or £10.25 per week. Can parents / carers please ensure that you pay for your child's Nursery / School Dinners in advance. Payment should be made via ParentPay.

Where dinner money exceeds over £20.00, parents / carers will be asked to provide their child with a packed lunch until such debt has been cleared.

After School Care Club

Our After School Care Club is available to all school years from Reception to Year 6. The club runs Monday to Friday from 3.15 pm – 5.30 pm. The cost of After School Care Club is £3.50 from 3.15 pm to 4.30 pm or £4.50 from 3.15 pm to 5.30 pm.

Breakfast Club

Our School Breakfast Club also runs on a daily basis during term time. Cost of Breakfast Club is £3.50 from 7.30 am or £3.00 from 8.00 am. For further information please contact the school office.

For those who use our Breakfast Club/After School Care Club we ask that payment is made in advance via ParentPay. It is important that your Parent Pay Account remains in credit, where arrears of £25.00 is incurred, services maybe suspended until such debt is cleared.

Individual and Sibling Photographs

The photographer will be visiting on school on 15th and 16th October 2019 to take individual and sibling photographs.

Please send children in looking gorgeous as always for their pictures.

School Uniform

We have over 140 children in school and it is a great challenge to get the correct uniform back to the correct child, particularly to our younger pupils. Please write your child's name in their jumpers / cardigans.

Contact Details

We kindly ask that if you are changing your phone number or address you let us know as soon as possible, we usually find these have changed when we need to call you to let you know your child is unwell or to arrange a parent meeting. **Please ensure we have your up to date details at all times.** If we cannot get in contact with you we will work our way through the contact list you have provided the school with especially when your child is unwell.