

# Seghill First School Newsletter May 2021 edition 1

## Summer term activities

You will see below the events we have planned for this term. We are working on the principle that the key dates identified in the road map to recovery will go ahead as planned. However, we are also taking a cautious approach. We are very keen to provide opportunities that we know that children and parents really enjoy, but we won't be inviting parents and carers back into school for indoor events this term. This is not because we don't want to see you; far from it. But we don't want to place anyone at risk or run events in a way that means they are not enjoyable.

Please can I draw your attention to our **whole school visit** on Thursday 01 July. We are taking all of the children out of school for a treat. Parents will not be asked to contribute to the cost of the visit. We want the children to have a special day out, hopefully as a whole school.

**Sports days** will take place during PE lessons during w/b Monday 21 June.

We had previously agreed that the **summer fayre** will take place during w/b Monday 28 June, and hoped to decide on the date when we knew the weather forecast for that week so we could hold this event outdoors. We did this to try to avoid cancelling and rescheduling events. However, this has made it impossible to book anything for the summer fayre. Therefore we have booked **Wednesday 30 June** as the date for our summer fayre. It will take place after school, mainly outdoors. We will all have to do a sun dance the night before! We have booked not one, but **TWO BOUNCY CASTLES** for the fayre. We will let you know more throughout the term.

Thank you so much to everyone for their contributions to the general tombola last week. As always, your generosity is amazing. On **Friday 28 May** we will be having a **non-uniform day** for the summer fayre. Any contributions towards the **BOTTLE TOMBOLA** will be very gratefully received.

Friday 28 May	summer fayre non-uniform 2;
Friday 28 May	school closes for May half term;
Monday 07 June	school reopens to all pupils and class photographs;
Tuesday 15 June	Bags2school collection;
Friday 18 June;	summer fayre non-uniform 3;
w/b Monday 21 June	sports days will take place during PE lessons this week;
Wednesday 23 to Friday 25 June	Year 4 visit to Dukeshouse Wood;
Wednesday 30 June	summer fayre;
Thursday 01 July	whole school visit;
Monday 05 July	transition week;
Wednesday 07 July	full governing body meeting;
Thursday 15 July	Year 4 leavers' party from 6:00pm;
Friday 16 July	school closes for summer holidays.

## Dukeshouse Wood

Mrs Bell and Mrs Lyons visited Dukeshouse Wood on Wednesday of this week for a **pre-visit check**. This is so they can see first-hand the protective measures that Dukeshouse Wood has put in place to ensure the safety of our children and is part of our risk assessment.

If you have not yet paid the **outstanding balance** for your child's visit to Dukeshouse Wood, please do so via **School Gateway** by the deadline of **Friday 28 May**.

## Class photographs

Class photographs were due to be taken by the school photographer, Michelle Fowler, on Monday of this week. Due to a family member being very ill, Michelle was not able to take the class photographs as planned. Class photographs will now be taken on **Monday 07 June** instead.

### Bags2school collection

We have organised our next **Bags2school** collection for **Tuesday 15 June**. A bag will be sent home with your child today to fill with any unwanted clothes. Bags are weighed and we are paid per kilo. The greater the weight we collect, the more money we receive for school. Any money we receive is used to pay for treats for our children.

If you need more than one bag, please see Mrs Elliott in the school office. Please drop off bags at the school office by **Friday 11 June** so the bags can be stored safely in quarantine before they are collected by Bags2school.

### Birthdays

Our birthday boys and girls in May are-

- Marnie and Owen age 5 in Yellow class;
- Joey and Coby age 7 and Jayden, Frankie and Esme age 6 in Red class;
- Jay age 7 in Green class;
- Tom age 9 and Joey age 8 in Blue class;

Happy birthday to you all. We hope your birthday is special and fun.



### Star of the week

Our stars of the week for this month are-

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| • <b>Mrs Bell's star</b>                  | Emily Hall, Bailey and Joey;    |
| • <b>Mrs Lyons' and Mrs Watson's star</b> | Isabelle, Dylan and Mya;        |
| • <b>Mrs Knowles' star</b>                | Jayden, Ava and Jack;           |
| • <b>Mrs Kembrey's star</b>               | Francesca, Willow and Alannah;  |
| • <b>Miss Neal's star</b>                 | Luciana, Charlie and Leo;       |
| • <b>Miss Chappell's star</b>             | Ava-Betty, Katie W and James R. |

Well done, stars. Who will be chosen next time?



### Covid reminders

If your child shows symptoms of Covid-19, please keep them and any siblings off school, arrange for them to take a test and self-isolate until you receive the results.

**Parents must inform school of any test result**, even if the test result is **negative**. **Parents must inform school of any test result** even if your child's year group is **currently closed** or if school is closed due to a weekend or a school holiday. Please email school via [admin@seghill.northumberland.sch.uk](mailto:admin@seghill.northumberland.sch.uk)

If you are worried about the safeguarding of a child, please ring school on 0191 237 0419 or our **safeguarding number 07785 180484**. This mobile number can also be used to report a Covid test result if you do not have email access. Your call may go straight to answer machine, but messages are checked every day.

We ask that you continue to follow these principles-

- bring your child to school **every day** and **be on time**;
- follow our **one way system**, even if you think there is no-one checking;
- wear your **face covering** and maintain a **distance** from other parents and carers while on the school site.

We are reviewing our current risk assessments in light of the changes to the road map. At the moment, there are very few changes being made to the existing risk assessment. We will continue to review the situation on a weekly basis.