



Dear Parent/Carer

13 May 2022

National Tests

Year 6 - A huge well done to our Year 6 children who have completed their Statutory tests this week! All children in Year 6 across England have taken these exams this week. The tests have now been sent away and will be externally marked with results coming back into school at the beginning of July. Year 6 have worked through the tests in a mature and sensible manner, and we are very proud of them. Leaver Hoodies have now arrived and have been given out to children. They may now wear them every day if they want to and for the visit to Kingswood.

Year 2 - Year 2 children are working their way through their Statutory tests too. Keep going!

Year 4 - In June, all Year 4 children across England will be tested on their multiplication tables. For further information read the following.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1031901/2022_Information_for_parents_Multiplication_tables_check.pdf

Year 1 - In June, Year 1 children will be tested on their phonics. This is a national test which looks at how children can read words by building up sounds.

Dance Festival

You should have received an email about tickets and information.

Tickets for each session are limited and will be sold on a first come, first served basis

To maximise ticket availability there is a limit of 2 tickets per child in the first instance.

Sage Gateshead have created a dedicated webpage through which parents/carers can purchase tickets directly for the event. See yesterday's email with all details.

Tickets are £7.50 (standard rate) and £5.00 (concessions - under 16's, 60+ and unwaged).

When purchasing, parents/carers will have the option for tickets to be posted directly (50p charge) - **We strongly recommend this method**. Alternatively, collection can be arranged directly from Sage Gateshead ticket office **IN ADVANCE** of the event, noting that tickets should not be collected on the day of the event.

Art Competition

The Arts Ambassadors would like you to enter their Platinum Jubilee Art competition. Please make your entries about the Queen and her impressive 70 years on the throne. The Arts Ambassadors came up with some ideas to help inspire you, maybe you could design a new crown, do a painting of Big Ben, create a statue, draw the Queen, paint some soldiers, swans or design a new flag. These are just ideas and I'm sure that you have some of your own too. Make sure

your entries are in by Friday 20th May as the children in school will all get to vote for their winner! Good luck!

Attendance

This week the Education Secretary announced stricter measures for school attendance. Schools must follow guidance. If your child's attendance falls below 95% your holidays may not be authorised, you may receive a penalty notice from the LA or face court. We do not make up the letters or the guidance, we follow LA procedures.

Quote from Nadhim Zahawi, Secretary of State Education: *"There's no doubt in my mind that being in school is crucial to a child's learning and development. So we want schools to have an attendance policy that sets clear expectations for staff, pupils and parents alike," Mr Zahawi wrote in the paper.*

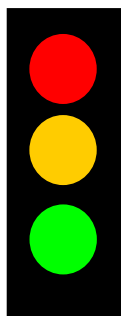
"If children are routinely absent from school, it is going to do incalculable harm to their life chances. Having a strict approach, where attendance is simply non-negotiable, will help schools to deal with absenteeism when it arises."

Absences/Sickness

If your child is absent from school, please phone school and leave a message with the reason. If your child has been sick or had diarrhoea, they must stay off school for **48 hours from the last episode**.

Attendance

Congratulations to 1M, 1S, 4ON & 6L who all 99% attendance this week.



Red - Danger Zone - Below 90%
Amber - At Risk Zone - 91% - 96%
Green - Safety Zone - 97% - 100%

Class 1M	99.3%	Class 4ON	99%
Class 1S	99.2%	Class 4P	94%
Class 2K	97%	Class 5L	95%
Class 2S	93%	Class 5H	96%
Class 3G	94%	Class 6L	99%
Class 3C	92%	Class 6W	98%



We are offering the opportunity for KS1 (Year 1 and 2) pupils to take part in After School First Aid sessions with Little Heroes.

These are 6 child friendly sessions covering: keeping yourself safe, knowing when and how to phone for help, the recovery position, CPR using individual manikins and how to use a Defibrillator head injuries and bandages. More details are available at www.littleheroesfirstaid.co.uk.

The cost for each session will be £5.00 and take place on Tuesday nights 3:20 - 4:20pm from Tuesday 7th June to Tuesday 12th July. There are 15 places only, allocated on a first come first served basis. Please book a place using parent online payment system.

Big Plastic Count

The Greenpeace Big Plastic Count is about keeping track of any plastic waste created between Monday 16th - Sunday 22nd May. There is a simple tick sheet to use and then the results will be used to lobby the government and supermarkets. There's a great 3 minute video introducing it https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kyurCohF_fc&t=93s



Just to remind you this is a Safeguarding school and we have a duty to pass on any concerns to Children's Services. Our designated Safeguarding Leads are - Mrs Gladstone, Mr Kelly, Miss Hoult, Mrs O'Neill, Mrs Marshall, Mrs Wilkinson and Miss Casey. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch and we can have a chat and hopefully we can help.

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Jubilee Afternoon Tea and Sports Day

@Ryton Rugby Club

Friday June 3rd 2pm onwards



Including: disco, races, fun and games, kid's activities

Tickets: Adult: £7 Child £3.50

(Afternoon tea + 1 pint/prosecco + entry to races and games)

