



No 1 Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2017

## Next Week's Events

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September** – sports after school club till 4.30pm then pay & play till 5.30pm.

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September** – Pay & Play after school club till 5.30pm.

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September** – after school club with Joolz – DT/drumming

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September** – AJ academy after school club till 4.45pm followed by Pay & Play till 5.30pm.

## Future Diary Dates

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September** – McMillan Coffee Morning at the village hall 10am – 12 noon. Joint event with the WI & the village hall committee.

## Don't Forget:

PE kits in school on a Monday and keep in school for the whole week

Waterproof coat EVERY DAY.

## Monies outstanding

There are still monies outstanding from last term. We would like these paying off as soon as possible.

## After school clubs & Breakfast club

After school clubs from September are as follows: Monday sport till 4.30pm then pay & play till 5.30pm, Tuesday pay & play till 5.30pm, Wednesday Joolz till 4.45pm then pay and play till 5.30pm & Thursday AJ till 4.45pm then Pay & Play till 5.30pm. We need 4 pupils to make the running of a Friday after school club viable so at present there are no plans to run a Friday club. Children should be booked-in in advance where possible.

## Riverford Organic Farmers

We have recently signed up for a fundraiser with Riverford. If parents order a box of food from them, the school is given £15 on their 3<sup>rd</sup> order. For further details please go to [www.riverford.co.uk](http://www.riverford.co.uk).

## Lunchtime clubs

We currently have a sports lunchtime club on a Monday and Creation Club on a Tuesday, which are open to all children.

## Junior PE

Please could the junior children come to school in their PE kits every Wednesday but still bring their uniform to change into later.

## Assemblies

All assemblies are at 1.00pm this term so juniors should arrive at the junior building on a morning.

## IDL

The children in the juniors who did IDL last year will be continuing with it again, starting next week. On a Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday morning they should arrive at the junior building at 8.40am. If your child is unsure if this is them, please just ask.

## Text service

A reminder that parents can reply to a text message sent from the school.

## End of school day

A reminder that parents should inform us either by telephone, e-mail or text message if their child is being picked up by anybody other than a person on our list of responsible adults.

## Tesco Uniform

We have just realised today that there is a problem with the school uniform order from Tesco. Mrs Hughes is liaising with Tesco to resolve this issue and will let you know any further details.

## Infant curriculum / My Maths

Please see attached curriculum information for the infant children. Juniors have already been given theirs. Also My Maths log-ins for the infants are attached.

## From the Head:

Hello everyone. I would like to introduce myself to you all; my name is Trevor Watson and I am the new head teacher at your school. I will be working 3 days a week (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday) at North South Cowton and I hope to meet all of you very soon. I have been a head teacher at Melsonby, my other school, for four and a half years and was a deputy head at Middleton – in – Teesdale Primary School for four years prior to Melsonby.

I operate an 'open door policy' so if there is anything you need to talk to me about or need assistance with then please don't hesitate to pop in and see me or give the school a call.

My main aim is to ensure all of the children are happy, safe, well-educated and enjoy their time at school. I am also very keen to continue to forge and also maintain the strong community links the school has.

I know there have been a lot of changes in staffing during the last few months and I would like to welcome our new staff:

Class 2 teacher: Mrs Chris Sayer

Class 1 HLTA: Mrs Rachel Thompson

Class 1 GTA: Mrs Sarah Morrice

As well as new staff we also welcome some new pupils to our school family and they are:

Rose Davison

Evan Johnson

Sophia Streets

Orla Noone

These children have joined Class 1 as reception pupils. We also have a new pupil who has joined us in Year 5, Sophie Turbutt. A warm welcome to everyone and I know we are all going to have a super year.

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