

Summer Term 2021 Newsletter 3

As the Covid-19 guidance stands currently, parents are still not able to access the school office and all queries will still be dealt with outside at drop off and pick up, over the phone, or by email.

We are planning to hold a Sports Day on July 12th and various other events. **Further details are in the latest Headteacher Blog which will be available on our website later today and linked on our Facebook page.**



Milk this term will be £5.60, which includes a small charge for last term. Please send in the money as soon as possible.

We will continue with purchasing milk in 2 litre cartons, as this has proved to be a much more economical and eco-friendly solution. Milk letters for September will be sent out to the children who have had milk this term. If there is anyone else who would like to start, please speak to Kathy. Milk is only available up to Y4 but is always available as an alternative to water, for anyone who pays for a school lunch.

As we reach the end of the term, the school finances need to be balanced for the end of the school year. You will shortly receive a bill for anything outstanding on your accounts. Card payments can be taken over the phone on a Tuesday. Please could anything outstanding be paid as soon as possible, so that your accounts can be closed. All cheques should be payable to N.C.C. (Northumberland County Council)

School lunch costs from September will remain the same. The total for each half of term will be given in the first September Newsletter.

Free (Government funded) for Reception, Y1, Y2.

For Y3, Y4 and Nursery (depending on the number of days taken) the cost is £2.30 per day, £11.50 per week.

For Y5 and Y6 the cost is £2.60 per day, £13.00 per week.

If your child is moving from Y2 to Y3, or Y4 to Y5, and you no longer want school lunches, please let us know by the end of this term.

If you are sending in any money, please try and send a cheque. We will still be accepting cash but would like to avoid large amounts of coins, where possible.

New uniform can be purchased from Border Embroideries. The cut off for ordering in time to arrive for September is **Sunday 25th July**.

<https://www.border-embroideries.co.uk/schools/ellingham-c-of-e-primary-school.html>

Serena Philipson now has our second hand uniform if you are looking for something specific, please get in touch directly on 07866096404

We will be asking Reception – Y6 children to return in September, smartly dressed in full school uniform with sensible school shoes.

In light of a new law that will come into place from September, we have looked at the price of our uniform. We have sourced an alternative to the PE hoodie and now have 2 versions. One is embroidered with Ellingham on the back, the other has a screen printed version, which offers a more economical alternative, but may not be as durable as the embroidery.

Grey trousers/skirts/pinafores etc. do not have to come from our uniform suppliers; they can be purchased from anywhere. The pale blue polo shirt, whilst we would prefer the children to wear the logoed ones, can also be purchased from many retailers. If you are unsure about the uniform guidance, please get in touch.

A lot of uniform, particularly the PE Hoodie, ends up in our second hand uniform because it is unnamed and we can't send them home. Please name your uniform, and keep checking it is still visibly named. This makes our lives easier and yours less expensive!

We still have space in the following clubs for the rest of this term if anyone is interested.

On a **Tuesday** from 3pm – 4pm - Multisports with Miss Baines, for **R, Y1 and Y2**.

On a **Thursday** for **R, Y1 and Y2**
Orienteering with Mrs Williams.
3pm – 4pm.



On a **Thursday**, for **Y3 – 6**
Computer Code Club with Mrs Lakey 3pm – 4pm.



On **Thursday 1st July**, Y3, 4, 5 and 6
are going to Beadnell Beach for an
A.O.N.B. funded Rockpool safari.

A.O.N.B.(Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty) are an
organisation that looks after the Northumberland
coast. The children have brought home a letter today.

On **Thursday 1st July**, Nursery – Y2 will be going to
Forest School for the day. The children will need
wellies, a back pack they can carry themselves, a
water bottle and applied sun cream.

If your child normally comes for half a day on a
Thursday they are welcome to bring a packed lunch
and stay all day or they can be picked up from the
woods. Please let us know your preference.

**There will be no Code club or
Orienteering club on Thursday 1st July.**

**If you are planning a holiday
in the next school year,
please look at the holiday
dates on our website -
under Information. A lot of
the Alnwick Partnership
schools have different
Teacher Training days next
year. The general
Northumberland County Council dates do
not reflect the individual schools.**

