

Easter Newsletter

Welcome to our new Staff!

This term we are welcoming 3 new Teaching Assistants to our team. Miss Carly Taylor, Miss Alisha Walker and Mrs Lorraine Rowntree, who will be assisting within all classes through the School.

Sorry you are leaving...

This term we say goodbye to Mrs Jenny Linsley, our Office Manager. We wish her the best of luck in her new School.

Easter Egg Competition

We will be holding an egg decorating competition in School, the week before we break up. Further information will follow.

Easter Service

To celebrate Easter this year, we are very pleased to say we are hoping to hold our Easter Service, with parents. This will be at St Philip's and St James' Church. More information to follow.

Easter Raffle

We are also holding an Easter Raffle to raise funds for the Hogwarts Express Lego set! This will go along side our Hogwarts Chamber of Secrets Lego Set. We have attached 5 strips of tickets at a cost of £1 each. Please write your child's name on each individual ticket and return to a Class Teacher or the School Office. We have a large selection of Easter eggs and treats to win, good luck!

If you have any donations for the Raffle we would be very grateful.



Nursery Places

We have places for Nursery in September 2022. We offer both 15 hours for all over 3s, plus 30 hours entitlement for eligible working Parents. If you would like information please contact the School, or download a registration form from our website. <https://www.towlaw.durham.sch.uk/>

Message to Parents/Carers of Nursery and Reception Pupils

Please can all Parents supply spare clothing for Nursery and Reception pupils to change into throughout the day, if needed. This includes hats, gloves and scarves as we are still aware of cold temperatures when playing outdoors. Please contact the school if you have any issues.



Meal Prices

Please note that meal prices are increasing from the existing price of £2.15 to £2.20 after the Easter Holidays. All Nursery and KS1 Pupils are still entitled to a free meal. If your circumstances have changed and you may be eligible for free school meals, contact the School Office for a Free School Meal application form.

Packed Lunches

Can we remind all Parents about the rules of providing packed lunches. There is to be no chocolate, no crisps, unless they are baked and no fizzy drinks. There is a strict rule of NO NUTS as we have someone with an allergy. Can we add to this that when bringing Birthday Cakes into school that we check they do not contain nuts or have been manufactured with a risk of contamination. Thank you for respecting this rule.



Parking

Can we ask all Parents to please be mindful when parking during drop-off and pick-up times? We are conscious that we are respectful to residents of the houses outside of the School. We also ask that you DO NOT park on the yellow zig zag lines.



Covid-19 Procedures

We are aware that restrictions have been lifted but as recommended we are following the Public Health England Advice provided to us by Durham County Council regarding Covid-19 Procedures. We have been advised that Pupils and Staff should isolate for 5 days if they test positive. Once two consecutive negative LFTs are provided, after the first 5 days, the Pupil or Staff member can return to School. If you have any worries or concerns any member of Staff will be happy to speak to you.

Recycling of School Uniform

We have a number of items of school uniform in School so please ask before purchasing new clothes.

Our Uniform Provider TotsToTeams <https://totstoteams.com/> has a zero-tolerance policy towards modern slavery. Information on this can be found on the School website, in the Uniform Section.

If you need any support in purchasing uniforms please contact the School Office and speak to Mrs Jackson.



Holiday Dates until July 2022

Easter Holidays

Friday 8th April, return on Monday 25th
April

May Day

Monday 2nd May

May Half Term Holidays

Friday 27th May, return on Tuesday 7th
June

Queens Jubilee Day

Monday 6th June

Summer Holidays

Wednesday 20th July, return on Tuesday
6th September