# Newsletter May 2016

**Transport**



You will have received a transport application form from South Tyneside Council, these need to be completed and returned to the council for transport from September 2016. These need to be completed even if your child is transported on the Keelman's school bus, as without a form the council will refuse transport from September. If you need a replacement form or have not received one please contact Tracy Merrifield on 4272689.

**Mayor & Mayoress**

We would like to thank Councillor and Mrs Porthouse for all the support they have shown to our school. During their term of office The Mayor and Mayoress have visited us many times, attending our fairs, shows and prom and we look forward to welcoming them back as visitors in the future.

**Accessible Transport**

A Newcastle based company called Automotive Group have been in touch with school. If anyone is considering a new vehicle now or in the future they would donate £150 to school. If you are thinking about a new vehicle please contact school for more details.

**Summer Fair**



Our Summer Fair will take place on the morning of Tuesday 12th July 9.45am until 11.00am, there will be the usual treats created by our fabulous children. This year the theme will be focused around the Queen's 90th birthday and celebrating the 1950's the children are encouraged to come into school dressed in the 1950's style or red white and blue colours. We will have a coconut shy; spin the wheel and a merry go round on site, and lots of other things for you to enjoy.

**Parents into School**

On Monday 27th June parents/carers are welcome to come into school to visit the class and meet with staff, times will be confirmed by your child's class teacher.

**Masonic Charitable Foundation**

We have been extremely fortunate lately to receive a donation from Durham Masonic Trust for £5000, which allowed school to purchase a Supine Stander which was very much needed in school. During their recent visit to school they pointed out the benefits school could receive from the Royal Masonic Trust for Girls and Boys. To receive further donations for school all we would need, is any parent or grandparent of a child currently attending Keelman's Way who is a masonic member to allow us to use their name in any funding bids we apply for. If any parent or grandparent is currently a masonic member and would like to do this for school please contact Vikki Scott in the school office or email: vscott2@keelmanswayschool.co.uk

**Parent and Visitor Questionnaires**

Parent and visitor surveys were undertaken early this term. The outcomes of the parent survey were positive but on a small return of 16 responses. Visitor survey included 18 responses and was overwhelmingly positive.

**Website**



Our website is regularly updated; please look at it from time to time. You will see pictures and information about the pupil's activities. It also gives information on what each class will be learning about during the term. You will also find policies, contact details and forms that might help you e.g. uniform orders . You will also find a link to Parent View, please contribute to this if you feel you can.

**Contact Details**

If you change address or phone numbers will you please be sure to let us know. We must be able to contact you in an emergency.

**Sun cream**




Can we please remind you to complete the sun cream permission slips and return them to school as soon as possible, if you have not already done so. As all the children spend time outdoors it is important they are protected against exposure to the sun.

**PTA Meeting**

Apologies, for the short notice but we will have a PTA meeting on Friday 27th May a 10.30am during the Café, any parent/carer who wishes to attend if you can let Marilyn know when you come in, as it does get a little busy during the café.

**Uniform**

If anybody, is wishing to order new uniform for September 2016. Uniform order forms can be found on the school website alternatively you can request an order form from your child's class.

**Term Dates**

Half Term – Breaking up on Friday 27th May returning on Tuesday 7th June
Summer Holidays – Breaking up Wednesday 20th July returning on Wednesday 7th September