



# July 2021 Newsletter



As you will know this last term in school has been very challenging for pupils, parents and staff. Over these last few weeks we have had a number of children and staff self-isolating/working remotely and it has been a very difficult time for us all.

The staff and I share your frustrations and disappointment and this is not how any of us wanted to end the school year. We are all so very sad that we have not been able to spend these final weeks in school together with all of the children and staff celebrating our usual end of year events.

I am thankful to you all for your continued support and assure you that the staff and I will continue to work tirelessly to ensure a positive transition for all of the children in September.

I am hopeful that with the coming changes from the latest government announcement we will see a positive start to the school year when our children return after the Summer holidays.

The school office will be open during the holidays with the exception of the following dates:

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> July and week commencing Monday 9<sup>th</sup> August.

From myself and all of the staff at Biddick Hall Infant and Nursery School I would like to wish you all a safe and enjoyable break over these next 6 weeks. Happy holidays to you all!

Welcome letters were recently sent out informing you which class your child will be going into from September. The letter introduced you to your new class teachers and explained a little bit about what type of exciting things the children have to look forward to when they return to school.

### **School reopens to all children on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September**

Please make note of the changes to the start and finish times of the school day:

#### **NURSERY AM SESSION**

START TIME	FINISH TIME
8.30AM	11.30AM

#### **NURSERY PM SESSION**

START TIME	FINISH TIME
12.15PM	3.15PM

#### **RECEPTION, YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2**

START TIME	FINISH TIME
9AM	3PM

Reception children should arrive at school on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September via the reception class gates. Parents and carers should queue outside the gates where staff will be there to greet you.

Year 1 and Year 2 children should arrive at school on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September via the gates on the big yard. Staff will be present to direct you to the designated drop off areas. The one way system will remain in place for now.

#### **Parent Survey**

Our parent survey will be available online by the end of this week. A message will be sent out via facebook and myschoolapp when the survey is live. Please take the time to complete the survey. I am always very appreciative of your feedback.

Thank you.

#### **Support When Self Isolating**

Information about the support available when self-isolating is available via the webpage detailed below. This page provides advice regarding the support available and includes information about financial help.

<https://www.southtyneside.gov.uk/article/69291/Support-for-people-in-South-Tyneside>



## Attendance Awards



**Well done to the following children who have received 100% attendance this term:**

Penelope B	Alfie T	Erika T	Cameron L
Harlow	Olivia D	Alfie B	Mason L
Roman H	Emily F	Amelia H	Andrew M
Ellie B	Tia M	Mikey J	Freya L
Holly B	Lily P	Katie M	Robyn M
Jacob L	Evie Rose R	Jasmine S	Caleb P
Joseph M	Eva Rose T	Jacob C	Harvey M
Delilah Rose M	Lola B	Rosie I	Isabelle B
Sophia T	Joey S	Leon E	

**The following children have achieved 100% attendance throughout this whole school year. This is a fantastic achievement. A special well done to you all:**

Rita B	Carlton R	Lucas R	Olivia C	Emelia W
Ella B	Nolan S	Robyn T	Ella May G	Jack B
Natalia L	Ivy B	Olivia F	Dylan K	Fiona B
Olivia S	Harley M	Lydia R	Keevie B	Ella F
Annabelle H				

### Free School Meal Food Vouchers

If you are eligible for free school meals and received food vouchers during the school closures then you are entitled to a food voucher to cover the 6 weeks Summer Holidays. Food vouchers are now available to collect from the school office.

### Reading Books

Anyone that has a reading or library book at home can you please ensure it is returned to school before the end of term this Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July



## A Message for Year 2



We want to wish all of our Year 2 pupils lots of luck as we send them on to the next stage of their education. We are sad that we have not been able to say goodbye properly and disappointed that we have not been able to spend these last few weeks together in school. The children have worked so hard and achieved so much during their time at our school and we are all very proud of them.

Goodbye and good luck. We will miss you all!

### Summer Holiday Club

#### Monday 26 July to Friday 3 September

You can now enrol your child in a free holiday club programme over the summer. There are free places available for children and young people in South Tyneside who are eligible for benefits related free school meals or families who are experiencing hardship, where they can enjoy a variety of creative and physical activities, alongside a nutritious meal every day. All events are subject to availability and COVID restrictions. Booking is essential.

Visit [www.southtyneside.gov.uk/holidayclub](http://www.southtyneside.gov.uk/holidayclub)  
b call 0191 424 6688 or  
email [HAF@southtyneside.gov.uk](mailto:HAF@southtyneside.gov.uk)

### Birthdays

We are sending birthday wishes to all of our friends who have birthdays in July and over the Summer holidays. Happy birthday to you all.

Eliza F	Kane M	Henry H	Albie R
Damian L	Emelia W	Amelia Y	Eloise H
Travis S	Daniel K	Emily A	Matthew B
Jayden C	Raya C	Olivia F	Thomas H
Olivia D	Jessica B	Kenley D	Leon B
Alarna M	Olivia C	Jack L	Ethan W
Mikey J	Jamie L	Amelia H	Heidi M
Nathan D	Sadie P	Ella B	Ellis R
Harley M	Joey S	Bailey W	Annabelle H