



## Windy News [windynookprimaryschool@gateshead.gov.uk](mailto:windynookprimaryschool@gateshead.gov.uk)

### Ofsted visit

June 2023

*As you are aware Ofsted visited the school this week. The children, as always, were an absolute credit to the school and to you as parents. I would like to say a huge thank you to the children, staff and governors for their hard work during this inspection. Thank you to parents and carers who shared their opinions via the online survey. We will receive the final report in September when I will be able to share the outcomes with parents and carers.*

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### Transition week

School transition week will take place on Monday and Tuesday of next week. You will have received a letter this week letting you know which class your child will be moving on to and who their class teacher will be. The children will move on to their new classroom and get to meet their new teacher. This helps the children and staff to get to know one another before the end of term which hopefully lessens some of the children's anxieties about moving on to their new class in September.

The children will just go to their usual classroom door and once they have been registered staff will support them on moving to meet their new teacher.

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### Brighten the Day

Gateshead's Brighten the Day team are delighted to once again to offer a busy holiday programme, allowing the most vulnerable children to be able to access free activities and enjoy even more healthy and nutritious meals during the school holidays. There's lots going on right across Gateshead for children and young people of all ages.

Please check before travelling for any drop in activities.

All activities include a free meal for the children.

If you have any enquiries about Brighten the Day, please get in touch.

Email [brightentheday@gateshead.gov.uk](mailto:brightentheday@gateshead.gov.uk)

*Article 31 -Every child has the right to relax and play*

### Industrial Action

As you are aware the NEU teaching union has called for staff to take industrial action on the 5th and 7th July.

School will be open to the following classes  
Nursery  
Reception  
Year 2  
Year 5

Some children will also be invited to attend school. You will have received a PING message if your child is eligible to attend.

### Earrings

Our parents and children uphold the "no jewellery" rule very well. Thank you for this.

If you are planning to get your child's ears pierced this year, the very best time to do this for school is at the start of the summer holiday.

Most ears have healed enough on the children's return to school in September to allow them to join in PE, swimming etc.



*Article 19—You have the right to be safe and protected from harm*

### What's happening?

- ♦ Diary Dates
- ♦ Parking
- ♦ School Meals
- ♦ School uniform
- ♦ Summer term events

### Sports Day

Thanks to everyone who attended our annual Sports Day last week. It was great to see so many parents attending and watching the children enjoying the activities on offer.

A special thanks to Miss. Crowe and Mr. Gibson who worked with the Gateshead School Sports Partnership to organise the event.

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### Remember!

Children finish for the summer break at the end of Friday 21st July and they return to school on Tuesday 5th September. Monday 4th September will be a training day for staff.



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## More Information

### School Meals Information

Don't forget that children moving from Year 2 to Year 3 in September will no longer be entitled to universal free school meals. Only children eligible for means tested free school meals will receive their meal for free. Regardless of which year group your child is in, if you think you may qualify for means tested free school meals, please contact the main office for a claim form, or apply online at <https://www.gateshead.gov.uk/article/7433/Free-school-meals>

Unfortunately, from September 2023 we are having to introduce a new payment system for dinner money and school trips. The system is called schoolcomms. Further information on how to set it up will follow.

Parents of pupils in Year 6 don't forget to use up any credits on your child's dinner money account before they leave us in July.

### Parking around school

We have not had a Crossing Patrol for the past few weeks as unfortunately Michelle had an accident at home and has been unable to work. We are hopeful that she will return to work in September. Thank you to all parents and carers who have helped the children to stay safe when crossing the road.

As you will have noticed the council have repainted the yellow lines around school recently. They have also sent out the parking warden and the parking enforcement cameras. This is great news for us as we try so hard to keep our children safe in and around school.

As a school, we would like to keep good relationships with our neighbours, so please park considerately.

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### Dates for your Diary

Please note that some dates may change due to circumstances beyond the school's control.

Thur 29th Jun	Y5 /6 Orienteering event New class lists will come out to parents
Fri 30th Jun	Nursery Family learning event 9am KS2 Athletics festival Gateshead Stadium
Mon 3rd Jul	School transition day
Tue 4th Jul	School transition day Nursery parents welcome meetings 4pm
Thu 6th Jul	KS2 Art celebration day 3:20-4:45 KS2 Summer music festival 5:30-6:15
Fri 7th Jul	Nursery Family learning event 9am
Mon 10th Jul	School Games Day
Tue 11th Jul	New nursery stay and play 3:30-4
Wed 12th Jul	School Council visit Hydrogen Works
Thur 13th Jul	EYFS and KS1 Art celebration day 3:20-4:45
Fri 14th Jul	School Summer Festival Nursery Family learning event 9am
Mon 17th Jul	Reports to parents Sports Assembly
Wed 19th	100% attendance assembly
Fri 19th July	Y6 Leavers assembly Last day of term

### Windy Nook School Uniform

Our school uniform policy states that children should wear royal blue sweat shirts, white polo shirts, dark grey skirts and / or trousers and black shoes or trainers. Summer uniform can include summer dresses and grey school shorts. The majority of children abide by our school uniform rules and in doing so look incredibly smart, and feel part of our school community. Remember leggings are not part of the school uniform policy although can be worn on PE days.. Please can you also remember that long hair needs to be tied back for both hygiene and safety reasons. Thank you for your support with this.

*Remember School Uniform can be bought from Logos Unlimited. Check our school website for full details. Please make sure that you label your child's belongings. We often have a pile of uniform and belongings that nobody claims and it is just disposed of.*

### Remember - New start time in September

Don't forget from September 2023 the school day will start at 8:45. The gates will open at 8:35 so that you have time to get your children to the classroom doors. Registration will take place at 8:45 and the classroom doors and gates will be locked at this point. Any child arriving at school after this point will get a late mark.

### Summer Term Events

**Week commencing 3rd July**  
Thursday 6th July - KS2 Art Celebration event 3:20-4:45  
Thursday 6th July-Summer music festival 5:30-6:15

**Week commencing 10th July**  
Monday 10th July -School Games Day  
Thursday 13th July -EYFS and KS1 Art Celebration event 3:20-4:20  
Friday 14th July- Y6 and PTFA summer festival

**Week commencing 17th July**  
Monday 17th July -KS2 Sports Assembly  
Friday 21st July -Y6 Leavers' Assembly

Please be aware that if you are planning to attend either the **Sports Award Assembly** on Monday 17th July or the **Y6 Leavers' Assembly** on the last day, our ticketing arrangements will be in place for these events.