

Acomb First School Fortnightly Newsletter

Summer 1 week 5 2022

Upcoming dates

Monday 6th June School re-opens

Tuesday 7th June Tempest photography class photographs

Monday 13th JuneAll children visiting Hexham book festival

Tuesday 14th June Year 3 visiting HMS in the morning

Wednesday 15th June RNLI visiting Maple class Chestnut class trip to the Hancock Museum.

Week of 20th June Enterprise week

Friday 24th June 4x Year 4 children to HMS for community event

Saturday 25th June Summer Fair

Wednesday 29th June Whole school transition day

Tuesday 12th July Whole school transition day

Friday 15th July Sports day afternoon (parents welcome)

Miss Williamson's message

What a wonderful week of celebrations for the Queen's Jubilee this week has been! I would like to say a huge thank you to all of the staff for all of their hard work and commitment which has made this week such a wonderful success. Two of my personal highlights this week has been seeing the children working wonderfully with the WI ladies to develop their very own bunting and then our big family celebration on Thursday. The community spirit has really shone through this week.

I have tried to include as many dates as possible in this newsletter so you know what is coming up for most of next half term. Some other things may be added but I just wanted to give you as much advanced notice as possible as summer is always such a busy term.

I hope you all have a wonderful half term break and enjoy some family time together.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at school or by email: hannah.williamson@acomb.northumberland.sch.u k

Thank you. Yours sincerely, Miss Hannah Williamson



Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

What a wonderful final week of half term we have had with our Jubilee project week. We hope you enjoyed our celebrations. We certainly loved having you all here to celebrate on Thursday.

Acomb's art gallery was officially opened and admired by many. The children were so proud of their pieces of art being displayed and visited. I was very impressed and many parents that I spoke to were too.

The children enjoyed a full week of themed lunches this week. I would like to give a huge thank you to our wonderful kitchen team for their work this week – it has been amazing!

Thank you so much for all of the amazing entries to the crown competition. I genuinely have never seen such an amazing array of homework! Reverend Jeremy had the most difficult time selecting the winners! A huge well done to the lucky winners below:

Willow: Raven
Maple Y1: Noa
Maple Y2: Daniel

Chestnut Y3: Sophia

Chestnut Y4: Alex

You will notice that your children all bring home a very special commemorative mug for the Queen's platinum jubilee today from the wonderful Acomb Parish Council. These have been kindly presented to the children in our assembly this morning by Mr Norman Robson from the Parish council. He did a lovely assembly for the children all about his experience as a child of receiving his cup when Queen Elizabeth II started her reign. We would like to say a huge thank you to Mr Robson for his time and to the Parish Council for their very kind gifts.



Website developments

You may have noticed that our school website is currently under development. I am working on the website to ensure you all have all of the information you need on there and to make it as accessible as possible. This is a work in progress but if you take a look in the 'School Community' section you will find an updated governor page where you can find out all about our governors. You will also find a 'Children's Zone' where there are a range of fun, educational resources your child can access at home.



Statutory Assessments

Our Y2 children have been simply superb over the last couple of weeks, working hard on their 'Secret Agent Training' (also known as Key Stage One SATs). They've done their 'quizzes' without an issue, persevered and just shown a truly wonderful attitude. They were over the moon with their special lanyards, certificates and treats this morning in assembly.

Y1 children will have their phonics screen during the first half of June where they will read a range of 'real' and 'alien' words. Miss Johnson will be sending home some supporting materials for over half term so please give these a go and have some fun with your children at the same time.

Y4 children will also have their Multiplication Check in June. The children will answer a range of times table questions on a computer (up to 12x12). They have been doing some practice tests in small groups and they too will just take these in small groups. Any practice of the times tables that the children can do at home will be beneficial for them, including using Times Table Rock Stars. All test results will be reported to parents within the end of year reports.