

June Newsletter 2023

The feast of Corpus Christi

This week we mark the Feast of Corpus Christi, where we celebrate the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. In liturgical prayer this week, children explored how Jesus is living bread from heaven which feeds not just their bodies, but their souls too.

Jesus feeds us with His Body in Holy Communion and He also feeds us with His Word and example in the Bible.

Encourage your child/ren to think about how Jesus helps us to follow Him through our words and actions.



Our newsletters are uploaded onto our school website and our Facebook page. If a paper copy is preferred, please let the office know and a paper copy will be given to the eldest pupil in the family to take home.

Dates for your diary:

June

14th June 3:30pm Dukeshouse Wood Parent Information session
16th June 9:00am Class Liturgy Year 2
20th June All day-Y2 visit to Crimdon Dene-litter pick
21st June All day-Y5 trip to the Oriental Museum
24th June 10am in church First Holy Communion Day
26th June-28th June Dukeshouse Wood Y6
29th June Y6 2:30pm Parent/Carer transition coffee meeting
30th June 9:05am-3:00pm Sports' Day (timetable of the day's events to follow-Please note parents must leave the premises during lunchtime)

July

3rd July Y6 Youth Festival All day
7th July INSET day-School Closed
13th July Leavers' Mass 9:15am
18th July 5pm Leavers' Production-Treasure Island
20th July 10am Y6 Leavers' Assembly
21st July INSET-School closed

First Holy Communion

The children have their next session in church tomorrow Wednesday June 14th at 5:30pm in church.

Please remember them in your prayers as they prepare to receive their First Holy Communion on Saturday 24th June.



Here is a link to the local offer if you need any SEND support:

[Special educational needs and disabilities \(SEND\) and our Local Offer - Durham County Council](#)

Contact Details

If any of your details have changed recently can we please ask that you contact the school office. This could be a change of address, or a change of phone number or perhaps a change in emergency contact details. We will then update our school records accordingly.

We need a minimum of **two contacts** for safeguarding purposes to ensure we can make contact in an emergency. If you wish to change the names of people on the pick-up list please contact the school office.

Attendance

Attendance continues to be a whole school target for every child across school. Thank you for supporting us in ensuring your child attends school.

Our persistent absence figures in school have started to rise again. Please continue to support us in ensuring your child attends school and arrives on time. Remember all children are able to come into school at 8:45am and they very much enjoy this time sharing a book with their friends!

We do understand that children are sometimes ill, if this is the case then please ensure that you phone the office to inform them of any reason that your child is off school. When a child is absent, the office will make phone calls to all families, and if we do not get a response then we follow this up which is often a home visit.

We have had a lot of requests recently for holidays. Unfortunately, all holidays will be unauthorised as we want the children to reach their full academic ability and not miss any school.

No Absence	10 days absence	12 days absence	19 days absence	29 days absence	38 days absence
190 days of education	180 days of education	178 days of education	171 days of education	161 days of education	152 days of education
100%	95%	94%	90%	85%	80%
Very Good		Worrying		Serious Concern	
Best chance of success. Gets your child off to a flying start!		Less chance of success. Makes it harder for your child to make progress.		Your child will find it very difficult to make progress. May result in court action!	

TODDLERS GROUP

**EVERY TUESDAY 1pm-3pm
INFANT HALL
OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY**

We look forward to welcoming you. Come along to play, have a cuppa and a chat!

Please note all are welcome-you do not have to have a child attending Our Lady of the Rosary School

No charge!

Y6 Residential Stay – Dukeshouse Wood, Hexham 26th-28th June

A Parents' guide to Kingswood (Dukeshouse Wood) is available to view or download [Parents | Knowledge Hub | Kingswood](#)

From sample menus to safety information and Q&As to packing lists, it contains everything you might want to know before your child's visit to Kingswood.



Thank you once for all the support you continue to provide to both your child/children and the school.

**Mrs M Graham Executive Headteacher
& Mrs C Sutherland Head of School**