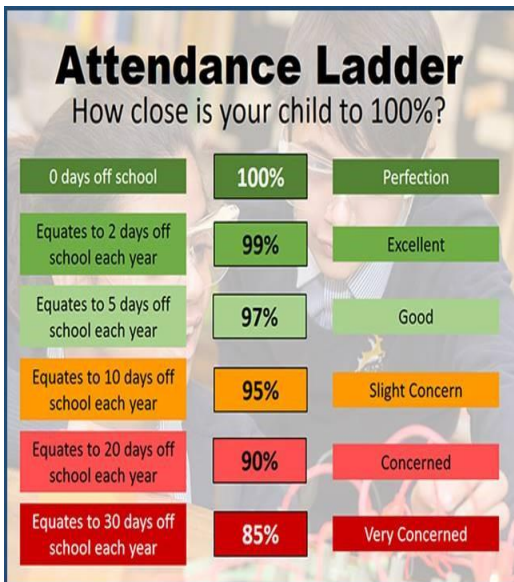




This week has been full of laughter. For some children, they had their first ever Sports Day whilst for others, it was the first one in three years! All were very well attended and we managed to fill the most magic squares in the world – ever! A total of 3 were filled so well done to the winners of the £50 cash prize!



We also had our first Summer Fayre in three years and the support we received was overwhelming! The number of people who turned up was far more that we had anticipated. Thank you for all of your support through your donations of cakes, chocolates and bottles and for coming along. Staff are busy being trained up to be on the face painting stall, which proved to be so popular, ready for the Christmas Fayre. The number of children I didn't recognise because of the iron man make up and the sparkly fairies was a joy to see. We haven't managed to count all of the money yet but we have made around £1,300, which is an amazing amount of money.



This week your child should have received their school report, along with their attendance record. Attendance has been low over the course of the year, mainly due to COVID but also holidays taken during term time. I am unable to authorise these holidays as children are expected to attend school every day. Can I please ask you not to book holidays in term time as your child will receive an unauthorised absence for it. Looking at the poster to the left, if your child has attendance of 90% or below, that means that they have not attended school for OVER 20 DAYS. When you think about 365 days in a year, children are only in school 190 of those days so 20 days lost learning is concerning. I appreciate children do have days off as they are too ill to come to school but if there are holidays booked during term time, it quickly makes the attendance of your child, drop.

SUN PROTECTION



Please ensure your child has ALL DAY SUNCREAM, a hat and jumper/cardigan each day.

We have had a number of children very ill with sunstroke this week.

SCHOOL MEALS

The cost of a school meal will increase in September to £2.23 a day, £11.15 per week. Any balances remaining on Scopay from this academic year will roll-over to September. If you wish to change your meal arrangements for September, the deadline is Monday 11th July 2022. Please contact the school office by phone or email, not Dojo and please do not inform teachers.

Please note, children cannot have a mix of school meals and packed lunches in the same week. The choice is one or the other.

YEAR 6 LEAVERS

Please ensure all balances on Scopay for meals, Breakfast Club and Munchkins are paid up to date before your child leaves school. Any debts still outstanding will be passed to the Trust for collection.

YEAR 6 SATS RESULTS

Another first, this week, has been the Year 6 SATs results. The staff and pupils have worked extremely hard this year to ensure the children have the best start to their secondary school journey and the results reflect their hard work and determination. This is definitely something to celebrate!

59 children in cohort

	EXS + (Number of children)	% of EXS +	National	GDS (Number of children)	% of GDS
Reading	52	88.1%	74%	26	44%
Maths	52	88.1%	71%	12	20.3%
SPAG	54	91.5%	72%	18	30.5%
Combined (Reading/Writing/Maths)	45	76.2%	59%	4	6.8%

As you can see we are significantly above national average for the number of children who passed.

YEAR 2 TRIP

Year 2 went on their school trip to Preston Park today to explore how life was during the Victorian era. They had a wonderful day and all thoroughly enjoyed it.





ECO-WARRIOR GROUP



This week's eco-tip is:

Swap your plastic toothbrush for a bamboo toothbrush.

Did you know that this month is plastic free July? So, what can you do to reduce your plastic use?

We are asking children to leave a pair of outgrown shoes on their desk on the last day of term. These shoes will then be added to our clothes bank and sent off to be reused by those who may need them.

If you would like to take part, please put a spare pair of shoes/trainers in your child's bag on the last day of school (Thursday 21st July) for your children to go home in. The shoes your child donates need to be outgrown but not worn out (small scuffs and scratches are fine). They could be their current school shoes which are unlikely to fit by September or another pair of shoes/trainers hiding in the back of the cupboard at home. Thank you for your support.

NEXT YEAR'S SCHOOL TIMINGS

We are pleased to be able to resume Wake Up and Shake Up. Children can be dropped off at school at 8.30am (no earlier) and take part in Wake Up and Shake Up between 8.30am and 8.45am. If your child is dropped off between those times they will be expected to take part in it. They will then filter into school and Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 5 and Year 6 will begin at 8.50am whilst Year 3 and Year 4 will begin at 8.55am. The end of the day will remain at 2.50pm for Year 5 and Year 6, 2.55pm for Year 3 and Year 4 whilst Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be dismissed at 3pm. Nursery hours remain unchanged.

STAFF CAR PARK

Please can you ensure anyone dropping off or collecting children do not use the staff car park as a short cut please. This is very dangerous as staff do not expect to see pedestrians in this area and we often have vans delivering to the school.

SCHOOL LOTTERY

What would you do with £25,000? Buy a car? Go on a family holiday? Even purchase a new house? Well one person could win £25,000 every week if you become part of our school lottery. There is a guaranteed prize each week for someone in our school and then a further chance of winning £25,000 in a separate draw every week. Further details can be found here: <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/> and search Sacred Heart. All money raised goes towards school funds. ***You need to be in it to win it!***



NURSERY

Do you have a young child who will need a Nursery place? Please complete a registration form and hand it into the school office with the relevant documentation, listed on the reverse of the form. They will then be placed on our Nursery waiting list and you will be contacted near their 3rd birthday regarding a start date.

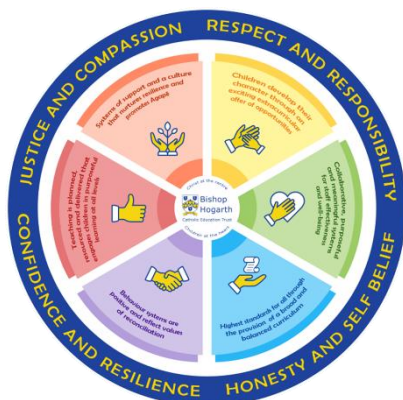
A booklet and a registration form are available in the foyer of the school, near the main office.

COATS

With the weather so changeable, please ensure your child brings a coat to school each day.

VIRTUE FRIDAY

Unfortunately Virtue Friday did not go ahead again this week due to staff shortages and school trips. It will be resumed next week.



ATTENDANCE

Attendance this week is 93.5%. Well done to Class 6 who had an amazing 100% attendance this week, well done to Mrs Scott and her class.

We have seen a number of COVID cases this week, so please be vigilant. I know that testing is no longer free and people are using lateral flows that they have left over to test. Government guidance is, if a child tests positive, they stay inside for 3 days after the day of testing positive.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Monday 11 th July	Year 6 performance, 'The Greatest Showman' 5pm
Tuesday 12 th July	Year 6 performance, 'The Greatest Showman' 5pm
	Performing Arts Concert (Y1/Y2) 3.30pm (20 mins) (individual children's' parents will be sent a Dojo)
Wednesday 13 th July	Reception trip to Rossmere Forest School
	Year 1 trip to Billingham Forum. Performing Arts pantomime (Y3-Y6). 2pm and 5pm – invitation only. (individual children's' parents will be sent a Dojo)
Thursday 14 th July	Year 6 trip to Flamingoland.
Friday 15 th July	Year 6 Leaver's Party 4pm-6pm.
Tuesday 19 th July	Year 4 trip to the Life Centre.
Wednesday 20th July	Year 3 trip to Adventure Valley
Thursday 21 st July	School closes for the summer holidays.
Wednesday 7 th September – Friday 9 th September	Year 6 residential to St John's in the Vale.
Wednesday 28 th September – Friday 30 th September	Year 6 residential to St John's in the Vale.

Items in red are new this week.

MUSIC LESSONS & PERFORMING ARTS

The last session for all of Mrs Robinson's groups will be during the week commencing 11th July with the exception of guitars which will take place on the 18th July.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

			FINAL SESSION
Monday	Art	Y2	18 th July
	Tennis	Y3/Y4	11 th July
	Science	Y5	18 th July
Tuesday	Tennis	Y5/Y6	12 th July
	Eco Warriors	Y4	12 th July
Thursday	Netball	Y5/Y6	Finished
	Boy's Football	Y5/Y6	Finished
	Gardening Club	Y2	14 th July
	Gymnastics	Y3/Y4	Finished
	Eco Warriors	Y3	14 th July
Friday	Girl's Football	KS2	Finished

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

School closes on Thursday 21st July and reopens to pupils on Tuesday 6th September 2022.

Thank you for your continued support.



Mrs A. Howell
Headteacher