



## School Games Mark

A huge well done to our whole school community! With everyone's help and support we have achieved a GOLD School Games Award for our commitment to school sport and the offer we have provided for the children at Birtley East in 2023-24. The School Games Mark is the only nationally recognised award for school sport and we are thrilled to be receiving a gold award this year. It recognises the commitment of all staff, children and parents and carers who have enabled us to provide a range of sporting activities for all children both in and out of school. A fantastic achievement and very well deserved!

## After School Clubs 24/25

Information is attached regarding booking places for after school clubs for 2024/25. Please look carefully at the range on offer and complete a booking form for each child. Link to book places below and on the information sent out with this newsletter.

<https://forms.office.com/e/gEnjnQd57P>

Confirmation of places for after school clubs and Rise and Shine breakfast provision will be sent by the end of 2<sup>nd</sup> August. Please ensure you sign up for these by 31<sup>st</sup> July at the latest to allow for registers to be created. It is unlikely that Rise and Shine will be full as we have additional capacity from September so can take more children into the provision.

## Summer Holiday Club

Here is a link to the booking form for holiday club provision this summer:

<https://forms.office.com/e/VNhnn2XuRb>

Sessions will take place w/c 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> August, Mon-Wed 10am - 3pm. Free packed lunch will be provided.

There is an additional week now offered, here is the link to book on for this extra week:

<https://forms.office.com/e/nrWm9Pc0VB>



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Respectful  
Safe

There is a lot of information included to get ready for the new school year, please get in touch if you have any queries.



## Summer Reading Challenge

You will find attached information about reading sessions at the library over the summer and a summer reading challenge, we will be very pleased to see the outcomes of any completed challenges in September!

## Summer Holiday Supermarket Vouchers

For this year's summer holidays, the council will issue these directly to households this week. Eligible households will still receive a supermarket voucher and the value of the voucher will be £100 per child receiving means-tested free school meals.

## Information from Northumbria Police about bikes, scooters and vaping

Please find information attached on the above topics from Northumbria Police.

### Colour Run

Please can sponsor forms be returned to school no later than Thursday 18th July.

### Leavers Hoodies

We have had a few issues with these this year and so have changed the system for ordering hoodies. Leavers Hoodies for current year 5 (who can wear them for the whole of year 6 if they wish) are now live on ParentPay so parents can order and pay direct to us. Mrs Leighton will then place a bulk order with Price & Buckland (as their minimum order is 12). The cut-off date for orders on ParentPay is Friday 20th September. This then allows for delivery for beginning of October. Parents will then get another opportunity to order them in January.

### Payments for school services

We have reviewed our pricing for some of the childcare and other services we offer so that we can cover the cost of these services and give parents some certainty regarding money for school visits. Please find attached a charging structure which will be in place from September 2024. The costs for childcare services are mandatory, charges for school visits remain voluntary but less parental contributions mean less opportunities for the children.

### #INSPIRE Awards

On Thursday night Ms Shepherdson, Mrs Small and a small group of Y5/6 children attended the #INSPIRE Awards held by the Gateshead School Sports Partnership that recognises and celebrates the incredible achievements of school groups and individuals who demonstrate the Olympic and Paralympic values within Gateshead schools. For the second year in a row, we were chosen to receive an award for the work done in school as part of the Blazing The Trail Project driven by Mrs Wilson. This year we received the COURAGE award for some excellent work done by Year 5 linked to the Ancient Egyptians. A huge well done to Mrs Wilson and everyone involved!

## Dates for your Diary

Date	Classes	Event
15 <sup>th</sup> and 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6	Beamish Residential
18 <sup>th</sup> July	All - who want to	Water 'fight' (there will be an indoor option)
19 <sup>th</sup> July	All pupils, year 6 parents	Year 6 leavers assembly 1pm End of term

	<b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.birtleyeastprimary.org">www.birtleyeastprimary.org</a>		<b>Contact:</b> 01914102551		<b>Email address:</b> <a href="mailto:birtleyeastcommunityprimaryschool@gateshead.gov.uk">birtleyeastcommunityprimaryschool@gateshead.gov.uk</a>
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### Term Dates 2024-2025: Pupil and Parent Copy

	AUGUST 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2024	NOVEMBER 2024	DECEMBER 2024	JANUARY 2025
Monday	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27
Tuesday	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28
Wednesday	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25 31	1 8 15 22 29
Thursday	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26 31	2 9 16 23 30
Friday	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27 31	3 10 17 24 31
Saturday	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25
Sunday	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26

	FEBRUARY 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2025	MAY 2025	JUNE 2025	JULY 2025
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Days school is closed to pupils	
	School Holidays
	Professional Development days
	Bank Holidays
	Occasional Day

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