

Aspire 2 Be

In Tuesday's KS2 assembly, our children had the opportunity to meet Sergeant Gemma Kimble from the Royal Air Force. The children got to hear about a range of careers and pathways available in the RAF.

In our whole school assembly on Wednesday, we welcomed Ellie from the Great North Air Ambulance Service. The children enjoyed listening to the fantastic work the GNAAS do as well as hearing more details about the roles that the crew members carry out as their jobs. We also enjoyed meeting their paramedic mascot! Can you remember his name?

A number of our Year 2 children were invited to take part in an Aspire2Be visit to Hartlepool College of Further Education on Thursday. The children were met by the college staff and enjoyed a range of hands-on practical construction related tasks. Thank you to Hartlepool College of Further Education for the invitation - we had lots of fun!



Summer Raffle

Roll up, Roll up! We are excited to announce that this year's Summer Raffle is coming soon! Once again, we have some fantastic prizes up for grabs! Today, each child has been given five sheets of raffle tickets to take home, with each strip costing £1. If you would like to enter the raffle, payment must be made on SchoolMoney. You do not have to pay for all of the strips sent home, but at present a £5 maximum has been set online (you may only want to pay £2).

If you would like more strips, then please contact the school office. You must keep one strip from each sheet and send the other strip/half of the sheet back to school once payment has been made online. On the strip you send back, you must write on the name who the ticket is for and the class your child is in (e.g. Y6 Mr Bryson) on each individual ticket and not just across the strip. You have five chances to win off one strip (tickets cannot be paid for separately).

Payment must be made by 4pm on Thursday 29th June (the SchoolMoney link will be stopped then) and tickets sent back to school up to lunchtime (12 noon) on Friday 30th June. The draw will take place on the morning of Monday 3rd July and winners will be notified. On SchoolMoney the raffle tickets will show in as 'a due payment'.

Term Time holidays

As a school, we recommend you do not take your child out of school for holidays during term time. However, if you do take your child out of school for holidays, please make an appointment with Mr Connor to complete the relevant holiday request forms prior to the holiday. Please note that if your child's attendance should drop below 90% in the 39 school weeks prior to this absence, the Local Authority attendance team will be notified and a penalty notice could be issued. The penalty notices issued are £60 per parent, per child, if paid within 21 days. This penalty notice will double if paid between 22 and 28 days after the penalty notice has been issued. e.g. A two-parent family with two children receive 4x £60 notices, as each parent would receive one notice per child. The family would need to pay £240 to the Local Authority if paid within 21 days or £480 if paid between 22 and 28 days. Where payment is not received within 28 days, the case is forwarded to court.



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Merit Winners

Well done to our merit winners. They have demonstrated excellent 'empathy' and have also had **100% attendance** this week!



Summer Disco Monday 10th July

The disco will start straight after school. For those wanting to attend, children can bring a change of disco clothes to change into on the afternoon. Children not wishing to go will go home at normal time as usual (After School Club will be in the Heron Room that night).

Reception, Y1 and Y2 pupils will dance first and then go for their refreshments, before being collected to go home from the KS1 playground at 5pm. Y3-Y6 pupils will have their refreshments first and then go into the dance hall before being collected from the KS2 playground at 5pm. There will be additional drinks available throughout.

The cost for entry and refreshments will be £3 per child and must be paid online via School Money. Children not attending the disco, or After School Club, must be collected and taken home at 3.20pm.

Summer Fair

Next Friday is our annual 'Summer Fare'! We will send the children out at home time, and you will need to go back out and line up again at the gates, so we have time to staff to get to their stations and finish getting ready. Once sorted, we will reopen the gates. These will be both KS2 gates and KS1. Thank you for your patience in advance.

Sports Day

Our first Sports Day since 2019 will be held on Friday 7th July.

This will be split over the day with Reception, Y1 and Y2 having theirs on the morning (pupils are then expected to stay in school for the afternoon) and Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 after lunch. We look forward to seeing you!

R, Y1 & Y2 9.45 – 11am
Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 1.30 - 3pm

Mrs Martin has sent a separate communication, regarding an event for our Nursery pupils.

Lockerbie Manor - Year 6 - Educational Visit

The educational visit will take place between Monday 26th June and Wednesday 28th June. Children can arrive at school, through the main entrance, from 8:30am on Monday and register with their group leaders.

We will aim to leave Fens at 11:00am if you would like to come and wave them off!

Don't forget your sleeping bags and pillows!

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