

### **Newsletter Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2025**

Dear parents and carers,

We are excited to shared that our Trust has updated its logo. While the look has changed, the commitment to providing the best education and support for our children remains the same. You will see the new logo across our school letters and communications over the coming weeks.

### **After school clubs and after school childcare**

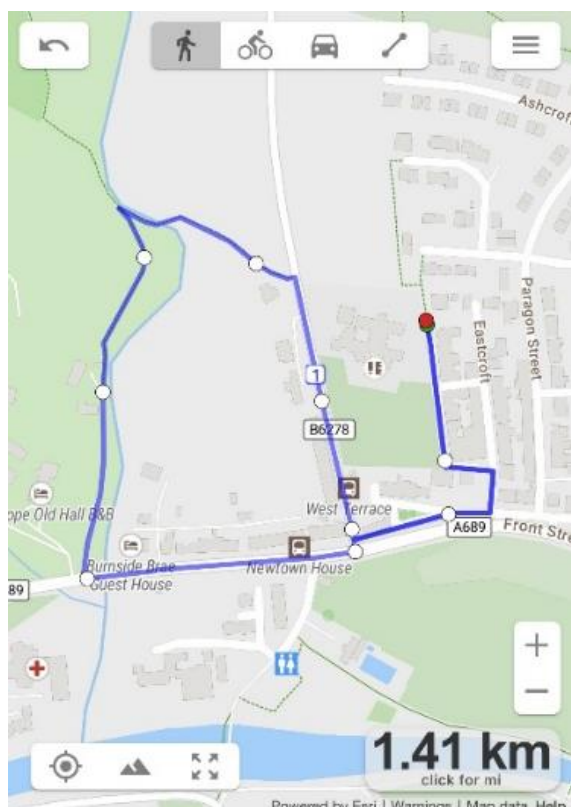
Just a reminder that there will be no after school are on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September. KS2 Reading Club is still on.

### **National Fitness Day**

On Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September, we will be celebrating National Fitness Day with a walk equivalent to the coast to coast (200 miles).

All parents and carers are invited to join us for the walk. We will be setting off from the main yard at 1:30pm and we would like to encourage everybody to wear something fun for the walk, but please make sure you wear comfortable shoes.

### **Loop 1 – Opal, Amethyst, Sapphire, Ruby, Emerald & Diamond (1 mile)**



## **Loop 2 – Ruby, Emerald & Diamond (1.5 miles)**



### **MacMillan Coffee afternoon**

This year, we are holding our MacMillan Cancer Coffee Event on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 2.30pm in the afternoon. Parents/carers can collect their child(ren) from the LZ fire doors, as normal, and then come into the hall to get some cakes and refreshments.

We would be grateful for any cake donations and please bring them on the morning of 26<sup>th</sup> September. Also, if any parent would be able to volunteer to make teas/coffees it would be much appreciated.

### **Special lunch “Space Day”**

On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, we will be inviting all children that usually take packed lunch to join us for a special menu. It will be “out of this world” and kitchen will serve: Crispy chicken burger (or vegetarian burger) with ‘moon rock’ potatoes, and shortbread with chocolate dust.

If you would like your child to have this lunch, simply go to ParentPay and select your choice.

### **Harvest Festival**

On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October, we would like to invite you all to come along to our Harvest Festival at 2pm in St Thomas' Church in Stanhope. If you are able to do so, a donation of food would be very much appreciated. Please bring your donation with you and leave it on the back table in the church.

If you are unable to attend and would like to make a donation, these can be left at school and we will carry them down to church with us.

### **Individual photos**

On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October, all children will have their annual individual photos. We have chosen "Unscripted" to take the photos this time, we hope you enjoy the result. If your child does not attend school that day (Pearl and Opal), you are welcome to bring children that morning (9am) by the main entrance, please.

### **Residential trip to York**

For all children who will be going on the residential, I have created payment instalments on ParentPay:

1<sup>st</sup>: £40 due 03/11/2025

2<sup>nd</sup>: £40 due 02/02/2026

3<sup>rd</sup>: £40 due 02/03/2026

4<sup>th</sup> and final: £35 due on 01/04/2025

Some of you may have already seen that there is a payment item named "Savings for Residential" and in here, you can put money aside at your convenience. By the due date, I will transfer money to the instalment payment. If you have any queries, get in touch.

### **Stanhope Show Art Competition**

Join us in congratulating all our much-deserved winners:

Opal and Amethyst (Nature theme): 1<sup>st</sup> Savannah, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ollie and 3<sup>rd</sup> Lilly.

Sapphire (Primary Colour theme): 1<sup>st</sup> Daisy, 2<sup>nd</sup> John and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sadie.

Ruby (Primary Colour theme): 1<sup>st</sup> Rubybec, 2<sup>nd</sup> Charlie H and 3<sup>rd</sup> Harrison.

Emerald (Paul Klee theme): 1<sup>st</sup> Alfie, 2<sup>nd</sup> Gracce and 3<sup>rd</sup> Katie

Diamond (Paul Klee theme): 1<sup>st</sup> Sophie, 2<sup>nd</sup> Oliver and 3<sup>rd</sup> Scarlett

### **Bikeability for year 5**

All children who are doing Bikeability on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September, please bring your bikes into school and also helmets.

### **Get to Know Our Website**

We love to celebrate the successes of our children whether it is in school or an interest or hobby they have outside of school. Visit our website, select Come and See from the tabs along the top and select Celebrating Success from the drop-down menu. You can see who has won awards, competitions, rosettes and trophies!

If your child has something you or they would like to share with us we would love for you to send us a photo and short description which we can include on this page of our website.

### **Dates for the Diary**

14.10.25- Emerald visit to Vindolanda (on ParentPay)

17.10.25 – KS2 (The Quest for Planet P, dance event)

23.10.25- Halloween Day (fancy dress and scary lunch)

23.10.25- Break up for half term

If there is anything you would like to discuss, do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes,

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