



Newsletter 2nd April



The spring term comes to an end on Thursday 2nd April with our traditional Easter Egg hunt on the school field.

One of the best days in the school calendar.

School closes at normal time (3:15pm) and re-open on Monday April 20th with Breakfast Club from 8am.

SWIMMING – YEAR 4

On our return after the break, it is the turn of year 4 to go swimming at the Aquatic Centre.

They will need to bring a bag with a towel and swimming costume/shorts.

A contribution of £10 is payable via the Arbor app and school subsidises the remaining cost.

DERWENT HILL

Our Year 5 and 6 pupils recently returned from an incredible residential visit to Derwent Hill, and what an adventure it was! Set amongst stunning countryside, the trip provided the perfect opportunity for children to challenge themselves, build confidence, and create lasting friendships.

From the moment they arrived, the excitement was clear. Over the course of the visit, pupils took part in a wide range of outdoor and team-building activities, designed to push them beyond their comfort zones while having lots of fun along the way.

One of the highlights for many was the mountain walk. Pupils showed great determination as they tackled steep climbs and uneven terrain, all while taking in breathtaking views. It was fantastic to see their resilience and teamwork as they encouraged one another to keep going.

As evening fell, the night walk brought a completely different kind of challenge. With only minimal torch light, pupils relied on their senses and teamwork to navigate safely, demonstrating bravery and trust in their groups.

For thrill-seekers, the death swing was a definite favourite. It took real courage to step off the platform, but the sense of achievement afterwards was clear on every face. Every single child took the leap, and we are so proud of them all! Similarly, gorge walking tested both physical and mental strength, as pupils scrambled over rocks and waded through flowing water.

Back at the centre, activities such as the indoor climbing wall and team challenges helped develop problem-solving skills and cooperation. Whether scaling new heights or working together to complete tricky tasks, pupils supported each other every step of the way.

Orienteering encouraged children to think carefully and work strategically as they navigated the landscape using maps and clues. Meanwhile, bush crafts allowed them to connect with nature, learning practical outdoor skills in a fun and engaging way.

Exploring the mine was another memorable experience, giving pupils a glimpse into the past while challenging them to adapt to a dark and unfamiliar environment. Canoeing offered a more peaceful but equally rewarding activity, where teamwork and communication were key to staying on course.







GIRLS FOOTBALL

Our girls football teams were back in action this week, delivering a fantastic set of performances filled with determination, teamwork, and some brilliant goals!

We opened the evening in style with a commanding 5–1 victory over St Cuthbert's. Lydia, Hope and Sienna all got on the scoresheet.

Continuing their winning streak, the team produced a dominant 6–0 win over Farrington, showcasing excellent teamwork and clinical finishing. The final match of the evening was a competitive contest ending in a 1–1 draw against St Benet's.

This was tough match, with the team showing resilience and great defensive organisation to secure a well-earned point. It was a fantastic start to the season as the girls remained unbeaten all evening.

Our next set of fixtures will be on Thursday 30th April in the Jill Scott Cup. Further details will be sent out on return after Easter.



ATTENDANCE REWARD – AFTERNOON TEA



Thank you to the wonderful Roker Hotel for allowing us to bring our 98%+ attenders from KS2 for an afternoon tea this week. The children had an amazing time and thoroughly enjoyed the fantastic tea that was provided. It was spectacular.

Attendance

We currently have **69** children
in the **98% Club!**

Attendance	
Reception	93.8%
Year 1	92.7%
Year 2	95.1%
Year 3	96.5%
Year 4	95%
Year 5	97.3%
Year 6	94.4%



Congratulations
to Year 5 on
having the best
attendance this
term.



Congratulations
to Year 3 on
having the best
punctuality this
term.

Punctuality	
Reception	98.6%
Year 1	98.4%
Year 2	99.2%
Year 3	99.6%
Year 4	98.4%
Year 5	99.5%
Year 6	98.9%



DIARY DATES

- 20th Apr - Y4 Swimming (weekly)
- 21st Apr - Y5 @Roker
- 11 - 15th May - Y6 SATS week
- 17th May - Sunderland 3K
- 23rd - 31st May - Half Term