



The Drive Community Primary School

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Friday 13th June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Website Updates – what has been uploaded this week?

All Friday letters and updates (not linked to specific areas: Safeguarding, Online Safety etc.), will be published in either: **Calendar – Read More – Friday Letters**

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<https://thedriveprimary.ovv8.juniperwebsites.co.uk/>

Dr Bike Sessions

A big thank you to Sustrans who have been in this week. They have completed bike surgeries and sessions, with those who came along, on how to fix a bike. Bike safety is essential when riding out and about, especially on the roads. Can I also remind parents and carers that you and your child should always wear a helmet and ensure your tyres are pumped up and brakes are fully working. Sustrans can give further advice on cycling safely and how to keep on top of your bike maintenance.

Year 6 Cricket

This week a group of Year 6 girls had the opportunity to play a 'newish' sport this week. The girls went to Gateshead Fell Cricket Club and competed against other Primary Schools in the borough. They had a good day and let's hope the girls, who attend, are inspired to play more cricket in the future. We don't like cricket...we love it!

Boccia

A group of children went to a Boccia Regional Final this week and came third (bronze medals all round). There were moments of frustration, and they came up against a few challenges, but battled through and rose to nearly the top. Well done everyone – you should be very proud of your achievements and keep wearing those medals proudly.

Attendance – The Summer League and attendance update

0 points if attendance is below 96%

1 point awarded for weekly attendance figures between 96% - 97.5%

2 points awarded for weekly attendance figures between 97.6% - 98.9%

3 points awarded for weekly attendance figures between 99% - 100%

No points this week. Year 4 are still in the lead with 4 points.

As always, if you need any support with your child/children's attendance or punctuality, please speak to a member of staff.

Teams	Total Points	Overall Weekly Attendance
Nursery	0	91.87% +
Reception	3	88% -
Year 1	0	77.73% -
Year 2	3	93.16% +
Year 3	3	95.33% +
Year 4	4	95.67% +
Year 5	0	91.61% +
Year 6	1	89.9% -



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Have a lovely weekend!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs R Farren
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Dates for the Diary (as they stand) – dates will be added to and possibly changes made. Keep an eye on our website calendar also.

Just a reminder, a 'C' will feature next to an event that requires parent/carer consent. PLEASE NOTE, CONSENT IS NOW GIVEN ON PARENT PAY www.parentpay.com. All letters can be found in Letters and Flyer on our school website.

<https://www.thedriveprimary.co.uk/letter-and-flyers/>

Items highlighted in yellow are parent/carer events.

Summer Term 1 2025 – 7 week half term	
Monday 16 th June – Thursday 19 th June	Bike Ability – Year 5
Friday 20 th June	Non-uniform Day Please can we have donations of bottles (can be anything), chocolate and sweets for our summer Fayre Tombola. Thank you, your kindness is most appreciated. Flyer sent 12.06.25
	School Lunch – Picnic Day Please order as normal and remember, there will be no other options this day for dinner. Flyer sent 12.05.25
Tuesday 24 th June	Sports Day – PM More details to follow. Please also note, that if the weather is poor, this event may need to be rearrange.
Wednesday 25 th June	Year 5 Beach Trip C
Friday 27 th June	Athletics Festival C Children who are taking part in this event received a letter 10.06.25
Monday 30 th June	Nursery and Reception Beach Trip C
Tuesday 1 st July	Year 3 and Year 4 Beach Trip C
Wednesday 2 nd July	Year 1 and Year 2 Beach Trip C
Tuesday 1 st and Wednesday 2 nd July	Year 6 Transition Days – Heworth and Cardinal Hume
Wednesday 2 nd and Thursday 3 rd July	XP Secondary School Transition Days
Thursday 3 rd July	Summer Fayre Commences 1:30pm. Separate letter with instructions for collecting your child/children to follow.
Friday 4 th July	Occasional Day - School is closed.
Tuesday 8 th July	Summer League Attendance Party C
Wednesday 9 th July	Reports will be distributed. If you wish to discuss your child's report with their teacher, please contact them via DOJO/call the office and they will organise a time: there will be no Parent Consultations unless your child is on the SEND register.
Wednesday 9 th July	Meet the Teacher - this event is for the children, not parents/carers.
Friday 11 th July	School Council Fun Day C
Tuesday 15 th July	Whole School Water Fight (children will be in their own classes for this event) C
Wednesday 16 th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly PM
	Shine Awards Evening – after school – invite only.
Friday 18 th July	Last Day of Term before we break up for the Summer hols.

