

Wednesday 23 March 2022

Dear Parents

Please see below some important information for the summer term. Any questions or concerns please get in touch.

Testing Period

The government annual testing period starts in May for Y1, Y2, Y4 and Y6. We try to talk about these 'activities' as a positive experience where children get an opportunity to show everyone how brilliant they are but we also like children to be well prepared.

Please no holidays at this time and keep children in a calm routine with sensible bedtime routines. If you have any concerns or questions please contact the class teacher or myself susan@westnewcastleacademy.org

• Year 1 Phonics

Short reading test using phonic knowledge. This test normally takes about ten minutes and children complete it individually with the class teacher. You can see sample materials here:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/809986/2019_phonics_pupils_materials_standard.pdf

• Year 2 Tests

Reading and maths test papers are covered throughout May. It is our intention to start with reading (week beginning Tuesday 3 May) and then maths (week beginning 15 May). There will be a gap whilst Year 6 are completing their tests. A leaflet has been sent home. You can see sample materials here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/key-stage-1-tests-2019-english-reading-test-materials>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/key-stage-1-tests-2019-mathematics-test-materials>

• Year 4 Multiplication Test

A short computer based test of 25 tables questions which takes place in June. A leaflet will be sent home.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/103901/2022

[Information for parents Multiplication tables check.pdf](#)

• **Y6 Tests and Tasks**

A week of testing for Year 6:

Monday 9th May 2022	Grammar & Punctuation test - 45 minutes Spelling Test - 20 minutes
Tuesday 10th May 2022	English Reading Test - 60 minutes
Weds 11th May 2022	Mathematics Arithmetic (Paper 1) - 30 minutes Mathematics Reasoning (Paper 2) - 40 minutes
Thurs 12th May 2022	Mathematics Reasoning (Paper 3) - 40 minutes

Residential

We have residential for Y3/4/5/6 in June and there is a zoom meeting for parents next week on Monday 28 April at 4.15pm Join Zoom Meeting

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79390828872?pwd=3j9TDZfmjBiuSJloyKUZaw-D_LyswS.1

Meeting ID: 793 9082 8872

Passcode: CJ5e3i

Questionnaire

Please can everyone find 5 minutes in the next two weeks to complete the online questionnaire. We will use the results to help us start to plan for next year. Thank you!

[Parent Questionnaire \(google.com\)](#)

Sun Cream

With the weather getting hotter, we will be providing children with sun cream. If you would rather provide your own sun cream for your child, please let us know!

Holiday Club - Monday 11 – Thursday 14 April

Please can you contact the school office if you would like your child to attend the holiday club this Easter:

- Football/Sports Activities - 10-12.30 (Free, includes lunch)
 - 8.30-3.30 Activities, Breakfast, Lunch and Tea (£5)
- Kind wishes

Kind wishes,
Susan Percy