



St Patrick's Catholic Primary School, Dipton

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We follow in Christ's footsteps

Friday 4th October 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

2024-2025 Diary of Events

Dear Families

It has been an incredibly busy start to the term and many exciting opportunities lie ahead. Giving our pupils an engaging curriculum in school, complemented by opportunities for visits and visitors, makes the learning at St Patrick's all the more interesting! When planning our calendar, we are mindful of the costs involved to school and to our families, and we have tried to balance events throughout the year accordingly. In some instances, however, there may be a concentration of trips as the timing of some events are outside of our control. By sending out the diary of events for the whole year, we hope to add trips to Arbor, as soon as possible, so that you can budget for these accordingly. We are still working with some organisations to secure dates and prices, and we will update when further events are confirmed.

We are awaiting confirmation of our First Holy Communion date. Please make sure to read the parish newsletters as Father Shaun is sharing information directly with families.

If you have any queries, as always, please contact the school office, and April or Julia will be happy to assist.

Kind regards
Mrs Burgess



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| Thursday 12 th | Swimming sessions resume with Y5 |
| Friday 13 th | Whole School Welcome Mass in church 9.30am. All welcome. |
| Thursday 19 th | Open the Book Assembly |
| Friday 20 th | Tempest School Photographer am |
| Friday 20 th | International Day of Peace |
| Wednesday 25 th | Barbara Reilly O'Donnell Ethos Director of BWCET school visit |
| Friday 27 th | European Day of Languages (celebrated as part of a whole school assembly) |
| Thursday 26 th | St Bede's Open Evening for current Y5 & Y6 pupils 5.30pm-7.30pm |


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| Friday 27 th | Mrs Hamill St Bede's Headteacher to visit Y6 pupils & parents 2.30pm pupils 3.30pm parents/carers meeting |
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| Wednesday 2 nd | Pupils' nasal flu immunisation |
| Thursday 3 rd | Reception/Y6 Heights & Weights |
| Thursday 3 rd | National Poetry Day – Y5/Y6 Guinness World Record attempt at world's largest poetry lesson with poet, Laura Mucha. |
| Sunday 6 th | Parish Mass for St Patrick's families 9am. All welcome. |
| Monday 7 th - Friday 11 th | World Faith Week - Judaism Week |
| Tuesday 8 th | Y5 Dipton Manor Care Home Visit pm |
| Thursday 10 th | Reception Parents' Baseline feedback appointments 1-3.30pm. (Contact the office to book an appointment) |
| Monday 14 th | Reception Parents' Phonics Support Session 3.30pm |
| Monday 14 th | Open Event for parents/carers of pupils due to start in September 2025 1.30pm |
| Thursday 17 th | Open Event for parents/carers of pupils due to start in September 2025 9.30am |
| Thursday 17 th | Open the Book Assembly 2.30pm. All welcome. |
| Friday 18 th | Link to Hope – Introductory Assembly - Shoe Box Appeal 2.30pm. Parents/carers welcome. |
| Monday 21 st | Y5/Y6 Boys' Football Trial in school 3.20pm-4.15pm (Details to follow) |
| Tuesday 22 nd | Y5/Y6 Girls' Football Trial in school 3.20pm-4.15pm (Details to follow) |
| Thursday 24 th | Sensory Differences Parent Workshop with Daisy Chain 9.30-11.30am (Contact the office to book a space) |
| Friday 25 th | Autumn disco – £2 Cash donation in aid of Fr David Smith's charity Muhoroni Community Project, Kenya Pupils can wear non-uniform (no fancy dress) EYFS/KS1: 1pm – 2pm KS2: 2pm – 3pm |
| Friday 25th October School closes for half term break School re-opens Monday 4th November | |
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| Monday 4 th – Friday 8 th | Shoe Box Appeal - Boxes to be complete – aiming for 3 boxes per class |
| Wednesday 6 th | Y3 Hancock Museum Trip |
| Wednesday 6 th | Y5/Y6 Football Festival at Washington Hub 9.30am-2pm – 2 teams 7 a-side (Details to follow) |
| Friday 8 th | Family Breakfast 7.40am-8.40am – Parents/carers are encouraged to join children for breakfast. Normal costs apply for pupils. Adult £3 (please bring correct change on the day) |
| Monday 11 th | Remembrance Celebration of the Word Assembly 9am led by Y6. All welcome. |
| Monday 11 th – Friday 15 th | Anti-Bullying Week – Choose Respect |
| Friday 15 th | Road Safety Assembly |
| Monday 18 th – Friday 22 nd | UK Parliament Week – Liz Twist local MP to visit Friday 22 nd am |
| Thursday 21 st | Open the Book Assembly 2.30pm. All welcome. |
| Thursday 21 st | Sleep Workshop for parents with the Emotional Resilience Team - Good routines/bedroom environment 9am-11am (Details to follow) |
| Saturday 23 rd | Joint Parish Christmas Fair at St Patrick’s Church 12.30pm-3.30pm |
| Tuesday 26 th | Barbara Reilly O’Donnell Ethos Director of BWCET school visit |
| Tuesday 26 th | Rec-Y6 Parents’/Carers’ Evening 3.30pm-6pm in school (Details to follow) |
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| Sunday 1 st | Parish Mass for St Patrick’s families 9am. All welcome. |
| Monday 2 nd | Y3/Y4 Christmas cards for Delight Court |
| Tuesday 3 rd | Y5/Y6 Carol singing at Dipton Manor Care Home am |
| Tuesday 3 rd | Rec-Y6 Parents’/Carers’ Evening 3.30pm-6pm in school (Details to follow) |
| Wednesday 4 th | Whole School Pantomime Trip at Consett Empire – Cinderella (Details to follow) |
| Tuesday 10 th | Rec/Y1/Y2 Christmas Nativity 1.30pm in church. All welcome. |
| Wednesday 11 th | Rec/Y1/Y2 Christmas Nativity 9.30am in church. All welcome. |
| Thursday 12 th | Save the Children – Christmas Jumper Day |
| Friday 13 th | Advent Mass in church 9.30am. All welcome. |
| Monday 16 th | Y3/Y4 Liturgical Dance 2.15pm in school. Y3/Y4 Parents/carers welcome. |
| Tuesday 17 th | Y5/Y6 Carol Service 2.15pm in school. Y5/Y6 Parents/carers welcome. |
| Wednesday 18 th | Christmas Parties – EYFS + KS1 am / KS2 pm (Non uniform) |
| Thursday 19 th | Christmas Lunch Day (children can wear Christmas jumpers) |
| Thursday 19 th | Open the Book Assembly 2.30pm. All welcome. |

**Friday 20th December School Closes for Christmas holidays
School re-opens to pupils on Tuesday 7th January**

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**Monday 6th School closed due to staff inset day
Tuesday 7th School re-opens to pupils**

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| Wednesday 8 th | Y6 Parents' SATs meeting 3.30pm (Details to follow) |
| Friday 10 th | Family Breakfast 7.40am-8.40am – Parents/carers are encouraged to join children for breakfast. Normal costs apply for pupils. Adult £3 (please bring correct change on the day) |
| Monday 13 th | Y4 Multiplication Check Parents' meeting 3.30pm (Details to follow) |
| Tuesday 14 th | Y1/Y2 Northern Hope Gymnastics am |
| Wednesday 15 th | Y3/Y4 Northern Hope Gymnastics am |
| Thursday 16 th | Y5/Y6 Northern Hope Gymnastics am |
| Friday 24 th | Jubilee Year Launch Pilgrims of Hope (Details to follow) |
| Monday 27 th | Y1 Phonics Screening Parents' meeting 3.30pm (Details to follow) |
| Tuesday 28 th | Y5/Y6 Synagogue Trip (Details to follow) |



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| Sunday 2 nd | Parish Mass for St Patrick's families 9am. All welcome. |
| Monday 3 rd – Friday 7 th | World Faith Week - Sikhism Week |
| Monday 3 rd – Friday 7 th | Children's Mental Health Week |
| Tuesday 11 th | Safer Internet Day |

**Friday 21st School closes for half term break
Monday 3rd March School re-opens to pupils**



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| Sunday 2 nd | Parish Mass for St Patrick's families 9am. All welcome. |
| Wednesday 5 th - Friday 7 th | Y5 Emmaus Youth Village Residential (Details to follow) |
| Wednesday 5 th | Ash Wednesday Mass in church 11am. All welcome. |

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| Thursday 6 th | World Book Day |
| Friday 7 th | Family Breakfast 7.40am-8.40am – Parents/carers are encouraged to join children for breakfast. Normal costs apply for pupils. Adult £3 (please bring correct change on the day) |
| Monday 17 th | St Patrick's Feast Day Mass in church 9am. All welcome. |
| Tuesday 18 th | Rec-Y6 Parents'/Carers' Evening 3.30pm-6pm in school (Details to follow) |
| Thursday 20 th | Reception/Y1/Y2 Broom House Farm Trip (Details to follow) |
| Tuesday 25 th | Rec-Y6 Parents'/Carers' Evening 3.30pm-6pm in school (Details to follow) |
| Monday 24 th – Friday 28 th | Community Challenge Week |
| Thursday 27 th | Y4 Seaham Harbour Trip (Details to follow) |
| Saturday 29 th | Pre-loved First Holy Communion Attire Event at BW CET HQ |



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| Monday 7 th | Y1/Y2 Palm Sunday Liturgy 2.30pm in school. Y1/Y2 Parents welcome. |
| Thursday 10 th | Y3/Y4 Maundy Thursday Liturgy 2.30pm in school. Y3/Y4 Parents welcome. |
| Friday 11 th | Y5/Y6 Good Friday Liturgy 2.30pm in school. Y5/Y6 Parents welcome. |

Friday 11th School closes for Easter
Monday 28th School re-opens to pupils

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| Wednesday 30 th | Reception Multi-Skills Event at Greenland Primary am |
| Wednesday 30 th | Y6 Theatre Royal Trip - Pig Heart Boy Production (Details to follow) |



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| Friday 2 nd | Family Breakfast 7.40am-8.40am – Parents/carers are encouraged to join children for breakfast. Normal costs apply for pupils. Adult £3 (please bring correct change on the day) |
| Friday 2 nd | Reception Easter Celebration 9.15am. Reception Parents welcome. |

Monday 5th School closed for May Day Bank Holiday

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| Friday 9 th | Whole School Mass 9.30am in church. All welcome. |
| Monday 12 th – Friday 16 th | Y6 SATs week |
| Tuesday 20 th | Y3/Y4 Gurdwara Trip (Details to follow) |
| Tuesday 20 th | Reception Soccer Tots at Greenland Primary am |
| Wednesday 21 st | Y1/Y2 Soccer Tots at Greenland Primary am |

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| Monday 19 th – Thursday 22 nd | Walk to School Week |
| Monday 19 th – Thursday 22 nd | Art Week |
| Thursday 22nd May School closes for half term break Friday 23rd School closed due to staff inset day | |
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| Monday 2nd June School re-opens to pupils | |
| Throughout June | New Reception Transition Sessions (Details to follow) |
| Monday 2 nd – Friday 13 th | Y4 Multiplication test window |
| Friday 6 th | Family Breakfast 7.40am-8.40am – Parents/carers are encouraged to join children for breakfast. Normal costs apply for pupils. Adult £3 (please bring correct change on the day) |
| Monday 9 th - Friday 13 th | Y1 Phonics screening test window/Y2 resits where necessary |
| Monday 9 th – Friday 13 th | World Faith Week – Islam |
| Wednesday 11 th | Y3/Y4 Tennis Festival at Shotley Bridge Tennis Club am |
| Wednesday 18 th | Y5/Y6 Hockey Festival at Shotley Bridge Tennis Club pm |
| Friday 20 th | Whole School Sports Day 1.30pm |
| Tuesday 24 th - Wednesday 25 th | Y6 Dukeshouse Wood Residential (Details to follow) |
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| Monday 30 th - Friday 4 th | Disconnect to Reconnect Week (CAFOD) |
| Tuesday 1 st | Whole School Moving Up Afternoon |
| Tuesday 1 st | Y6 Transition Day 1 at St Bede's |
| Wednesday 2 nd | Y6 Transition Day 2 at St Bede's |
| Thursday 3 rd | Y5 BWCET Sport Event at Gateshead Stadium (Details to follow) |
| Friday 4 th | Mission Team led assembly for CAFOD (Pupils only) |
| Friday 4 th | Annual school reports issued (date may be delayed for Y6 as we will need to wait for Sats results to be returned) |
| Sunday 6 th | Parish Mass for St Patrick's families 9am. All welcome. |
| Monday 7 th | Y6 Joint Leavers' Mass and Celebration 6pm. (Venue to be confirmed) |

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| Monday 7 th | Y5 'Celebration of Learning' event 2.45pm-3.15pm. Y5 Parents/Carers Welcome. (Details to follow) |
| Monday 7 th | Current Y5 'Getting Ready for the New School Year' Pupil/Parent Session with Y6 teacher 3.20pm-3.45pm. (Details to follow) |
| Tuesday 8 th | Y4 'Celebration of Learning' event 2.45pm-3.15pm Y4 Parents/Carers Welcome. (Details to follow) |
| Tuesday 8 th | Current Y4 'Getting Ready for the New School Year' Pupil/Parent Session with Y5 teacher 3.20pm-3.45pm. (Details to follow) |
| Wednesday 9 th | Y3 'Celebration of Learning' event 2.45pm-3.15pm. Y3 Parents/Carers Welcome. (Details to follow) |
| Wednesday 9 th | Current Y3 'Getting Ready for the New School Year' Pupil/Parent Session with Y4 teacher 3.20pm-3.45pm. (Details to follow) |
| Thursday 10 th | Y2 'Celebration of Learning' event 2.45pm-3.15pm Y2 Parents/Carers Welcome. (Details to follow) |
| Thursday 10 th | Current Y2 'Getting Ready for the New School Year' Pupil/Parent Session with Y3 teacher 3.20pm-3.45pm. (Details to follow) |
| Friday 11 th | Y1 'Celebration of Learning' event 2.45pm-3.15pm Y1 Parents/Carers Welcome. (Details to follow) |
| Friday 11 th | Current Y1 'Getting Ready for the New School Year' Pupil/Parent Session with Y3 teacher 3.20pm-3.45pm. (Details to follow) |
| Tuesday 15 th | Reception 'Celebration of Learning' event 2.45pm-3.15pm Reception Parents/Carers Welcome. (Details to follow) |
| Tuesday 15 th | Current Reception 'Getting Ready for the New School Year' Pupil/Parent Session with Y1 teacher 3.20pm-3.45pm. (Details to follow) |
| Wednesday 16 th | Y6 Leavers' Ceremony 4pm in school. (Details to follow) |
| Thursday 17 th | End of Year Mass in St Patrick's church 2.15pm. All welcome. |
| Thursday 17th School closes for Summer holidays Friday 18th School closed due to staff inset day School re-opens to pupils Tuesday 2nd September | |
| <p>NB: In an attempt to keep parents aware of forthcoming events, the above list gives some dates for your diary. Events may still be added and, due to unforeseen circumstances, it may be necessary to change some activities. Parents will be informed as soon as possible of any changes. Further information will be sent nearer the time if required. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.</p> | |

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