



St Patrick's Catholic Primary School, Dipton

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We follow in Christ's footsteps

Dear Parents/Carers

2025-2026 Diary of Events

Version 9

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. 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 currently talking with different providers regarding the Y6 residential visit.

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

Kind regards
Mrs Burgess



Monday 1 st	Staff Inset Day
Monday 1 st	SEND Transition Drop-in session 2-2.45pm
Tuesday 2 nd	School Re-opens to all pupils
Thursday 4 th	Mrs Hamill St Bede's Headteacher to visit Y6 pupils 2.45pm Meeting with Parents'/Carers' 3.20pm
Tuesday 9 th	Barbara Reilly O'Donnell Ethos Director of BWCET school visit
Wednesday 10 th	Y5 Swimming sessions to begin
Wednesday 17 th	Y5 Mobile Planetarium Dome session in school
Wednesday 17 th	Y6 Volunteering at Bread and Butter Project
Wednesday 17 th	Open Event for parents/carers of pupils due to start in September 2026 1.30pm-2.30pm
Thursday 18 th	Open the Book Assembly 2.30pm. All welcome.
Thursday 18 th	Y5/Y6 Cross Country 4-5pm at East Stanley School.


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Friday 19 th	Tempest School Photographer am.
Friday 19 th	Peace Walk (pupils only)
Monday 22 nd	Whole School Welcome Mass in church 10am. All welcome.
Monday 22 nd to Thursday 25 th	Pupil Leadership Team elections + Mission Team applications
Tuesday 23 rd	Girls' Football Taster Afternoon. Y3/Y4 1-2pm. Y5/Y6 2-3pm.
Wednesday 24 th	Pupils' nasal flu immunisations
Thursday 25 th	Fussy Eater Workshop 9-10.30am. All welcome
Thursday 25 th	Cross Country 4-5pm at South Stanley Junior School.
Thursday 25 th	St Bede's Open Evening for current Y5 & Y6 pupils. 5.30pm-7.30pm
Friday 26 th	Community Fun Day 3-6pm. All welcome.
Monday 29 th	Girls' Football Afterschool Club to commence.
Tuesday 30 th	Reevo Afterschool Clubs to commence – Invited pupils only
Tuesday 30 th	Open Event for parents/carers of pupils due to start in September 2026 10am-11am.
	
Wednesday 1 st	Friends of St Patrick's Meeting 2.30pm. (Details to follow)
Wednesday 1 st	Y6 Parents'/Carers' SATs meeting 3.20pm
Thursday 2 nd	National Poetry Day
Thursday 2 nd	Cross Country 4-5pm at Greenland Primary School.
Friday 3 rd	Whole School Assembly with Chloe Dickinson – Support Targeting Anxiety & Resilience
Sunday 5 th	St Patrick's families join parish for Mass 9am. All welcome.
Tuesday 7 th	Little Acorns Meeting 9.30-10.30am. Led by Caroline Daly SEND & Inclusion Advisory Team. Invited carers
Monday 13 th	Reception Parents' Phonics Support Session 3.30pm
Monday 13 th	Y5 Emmaus Village Residential Parent Information Session with Mrs Oswald 2.50pm in school
Thursday 16 th	Open the Book Assembly 2.30pm. All welcome.
Thursday 16 th	Y5/Y6 Boys' Football Trial 3:20pm-4:15pm
Friday 17 th	SEN drop-in session 2.30pm-3.15pm with Miss Clish SENDCO
Tuesday 21 st	Y5 Dipton Manor Care Home Visit pm
Tuesday 21 st	Reception Parents' Baseline feedback appointments 1-3.30pm. (Contact the office to book an appointment)
Wednesday 22 nd	Link to Hope – Introductory Assembly - Shoe Box Appeal 2.30pm.
Thursday 23 rd	Reception Parents' Baseline feedback appointments 1-3.30pm. (Contact the office to book an appointment)


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Friday 24 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 24th October School closes for half term break School re-opens Monday 3rd November	
	
Sunday 2 nd	Parish Mass for St Patrick’s families 9am. All welcome.
Monday 3 rd	Reevo Afterschool Clubs to commence – Invited pupils only
Monday 3 rd – Friday 7 th	World Faith Week - Judaism Week
Monday 3 rd – Friday 7 th	Shoe Box Appeal - Boxes to be complete – aiming for 3 boxes per class
Tuesday 4 th	Year 5/6 Tag Rugby at Consett Rugby Club 10am-2pm. (10 pupils max)
Wednesday 5 th	Reevo KS1/KS2 Gymnastics Afterschool Club to commence (4weeks)
Thursday 6 th	Y5/Y6 Tag Rugby Coach Session in School
Thursday 6 th	Y5/Y6 Boys’ 7a-side Football Match at Greenland School 4pm
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
Friday 7 th	Road Safety Assembly led by Amy Smith Durham County Council
Monday 10 th	Playground Pals - Mentoring Training led by Chloe Dickinson ‘Investing in Children’ 1-3pm.
Tuesday 11 th	Remembrance Celebration of the Word Assembly 9am led by Y6. All welcome.
Wednesday 12 th	Y3 Hancock Museum Trip
Wednesday 12 th – Friday 14 th	Y5 Emmaus Village Residential Retreat
Monday 10 th - Friday 14 th	Anti-Bullying Week – <i>Power for Good</i>
Monday 17 th	Playground Pals - Mentoring Training led by Chloe Dickinson ‘Investing in Children’ 1-3pm.
Tuesday 18 th	Little Acorns Meeting 9-10.30am. Led by Caroline Daly SEND & Inclusion Advisory Team. Invited carers
Tuesday 18 th	Y5 Games Afternoon at Dipton Manor Care Home
Wednesday 19 th	Y3/Y4 Athletics Festival at Consett Leisure Centre am

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Thursday 20 th	Open the Book Assembly. All welcome.
Friday 21 st	SEN drop-in session 2.30pm-3.15pm with Miss Clish SENDCO
Saturday 22 nd	Parish Christmas Craft Fair 12.30pm-3.30pm
Monday 24 th -Friday 28 th	UK Parliament Week
Tuesday 25 th	Rec-Y6 Parents'/Carers' Evening 3.30pm - 6pm. Details to follow.
Thursday 27 th	Y5/Y6 Tag Rugby Coach Session in School
Thursday 27 th	Y5/Y6 Boys' 7a-side Football Match at Greenland School 4pm
	
Week beginning Monday 1 st	Y3/Y4 Christmas cards for Delight Court
Monday 1 st	Playground Pals - Mentoring Training led by Chloe Dickinson 'Investing in Children' 1-3pm.
Tuesday 2 nd	Y1/Y2 Dance Festival at North Durham Academy am
Tuesday 2 nd	Rec-Y6 Parents'/Carers' Evening 3.30pm-6pm in school. Details to follow.
Wednesday 3 rd	Whole School Pantomime Trip at Consett Empire – Sleeping Beauty
Thursday 4 th	Dipton Christmas Tree Lighting 5.30pm
Friday 5 th	FOSP Meeting 9am
Friday 5 th	Advent Mass in church 2.15pm. All welcome.
Sunday 7 th	St Patrick's families join parish for Mass 9am. All welcome.
Tuesday 9 th	Y5/Y6 Carol singing at Dipton Manor Care Home am
Tuesday 9 th	Rec/Y1/Y2 Christmas Nativity 1.30pm in church. All welcome.
Wednesday 10 th	Rec/Y1/Y2 Christmas Nativity 9.30am in church. All welcome.
Thursday 11 th	Reception and Y6 Heights and Weights pm
Thursday 11 th	Save the Children – Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 12 th	SEN drop-in session 2.30pm-3.15pm with Miss Clish SENDCO
Saturday 13 th and Sunday 14 th	Parish Christmas Tree Festival
Monday 15 th	Y3/Y4 Liturgical Dance 2.15pm in school. Y3/Y4 Parents/carers welcome.
Tuesday 16 th	Y5/Y6 Carol Service 2.15pm in school. Y5/Y6 Parents/carers welcome.
Wednesday 17 th	Christmas Parties – EYFS + KS1 am / KS2 pm (Non uniform)
Thursday 18 th	Christmas Lunch Day (children can wear Christmas jumpers)
Friday 19th December School Closes for Christmas holidays School re-opens to pupils on Tuesday 6th January	

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**Monday 5th School closed due to staff inset day
Tuesday 6th School re-opens to pupils**


Friday 9 th	Family Breakfast 7.40am-8.40am – Parents/carers are encouraged to join children for breakfast. Normal costs apply for pupils. Adult £3
Friday 9 th	Fire Safety Assembly with Consett Fire Department
Monday 12 th	Y4 Multiplication Check Parents' meeting 3.30pm
Thursday 15 th	BWCET Free School Meal Day
Thursday 15 th	Open the Book Assembly 2.30pm. All welcome.
Tuesday 20 th	Little Acorns Meeting 9-10.30am. Led by Caroline Daly SEND & Inclusion Advisory Team. Invited carers
Tuesday 20 th	Y1/Y2 Gymnastics Festival at Northern Hope Gymnastics am
Wednesday 21 st	Y3/Y4 Gymnastics Festival at Northern Hope Gymnastics am
Wednesday 21 st	Y1/Y2 Judaism Talk in school with the Newcastle Reform Synagogue
Thursday 22 nd	Y5/Y6 Gymnastics Festival at Northern Hope Gymnastics am
Friday 23 rd	Y5 'I'm a Scientist' Teams Session with STEM professionals from the North-East.
Friday 23 rd	SEN drop-in session 2.30pm-3.15pm with Miss Clish SENDCO
Monday 26 th	Y1 Phonics Screening Parents' meeting 3.30pm (Details to follow)
Thursday 29 th	Y5 Theatre Royal Trip – <i>Weird</i> Production
Friday 30 th	Mission Team Live Simply Assembly 2.40pm. All welcome.



Sunday 1 st	St Patrick's families join parish for Mass 9am. All welcome.
Monday 3 rd – Friday 7 th	World Faith Week - Sikhism Week
Thursday 5 th	Y5/Y6 Boys' 7a-side Football Match at Greenland School 4pm
Monday 9 th – Friday 13 th	Children's Mental Health Week
Tuesday 10 th	Safer Internet Day
Friday 13 th TBC	Arts & Crafts Afternoon for grandparents, elderly neighbours and elderly parishioners 1.15pm-3.00pm

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Friday 13th	SEN drop-in session 2.30pm-3.15pm with Miss Clish SENDCO
Wednesday 18th	Ash Wednesday Mass 9.30am. All welcome.
Thursday 19th	Y3/Y4 Virtual Fitness via Teams am
Thursday 19th	Open the Book Assembly 2.30pm. All welcome.
Thursday 19th	Family Valentine's Quiz Night 3.30pm-5pm
Friday 20th School closes for half term break Monday 2nd March School re-opens to pupils	
	
Thursday 5th	World Book Day. Details to follow.
Friday 6th	Y3/Y4 Girls' Football Festival at North Durham Academy pm
Friday 6th	Family Breakfast 7.40am-8.40am – Parents/carers are encouraged to join children for breakfast. Normal costs apply for pupils. Adult £3
Tuesday 10th	Little Acorns Meeting 9-10.30am. Led by Caroline Daly SEND & Inclusion Advisory Team. Invited carers
Wednesday 11th	Rec-Y6 Parents'/Carers' Evening 3.30pm-6pm in school
Friday 13th	Y5/Y6 Basketball Festival at Consett Leisure Centre pm
Tuesday 17th	St Patrick's Day Celebration of the Word 9.30am in school. All welcome.
Thursday 19th	Open the Book Assembly 2.30pm. All welcome.
Friday 20th	SEN drop-in session 2.30pm-3.15pm with Miss Clish SENDCO
Monday 23rd – Friday 27th	Community Challenge Week
Tuesday 24th	Rec-Y6 Parents'/Carers' Evening 3.30pm-6pm in school
Thursday 26th	Rec/Y3 Hall Hill Farm Trip
Monday 30th	Y1/Y2 Palm Sunday Liturgy 2.30pm in school. All welcome.
Tuesday 31st	Y1/Y2 Beamish Museum Trip
Tuesday 31st	Y3/Y4 Maundy Thursday Liturgy 2.30pm in school. All welcome
	
Thursday 2nd	Y4 Segedunum Roman Fort Trip
Thursday 2nd	Y5/Y6 Good Friday Liturgy 2.30pm in school. All welcome.
Thursday 2nd April School closes for Easter Monday 20th April School re-opens to pupils	

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Thursday 23 rd	Y5/Y6 Girls' Football Training Session in School 3.30pm-4.30pm
Friday 24 th	SEN drop-in session 2.30pm-3.15pm with Miss Clish SENDCO
Friday 24 th	Family Breakfast 7.40am-8.40am – Parents/carers are encouraged to join children for breakfast. Normal costs apply for pupils. Adult £3
Monday 27 th	Easter Mass 2.15pm in church. All welcome.
Tuesday 28 th	Reception Multi-Skills Event at Greenland Primary am
Wednesday 29 th	Little Acorns Meeting 9-10.30am. Led by Caroline Daly SEND & Inclusion Advisory Team. Invited carers
Thursday 30 th	Y5/Y6 Girls' Football at Greenland 4.00pm–5.00pm
	
Friday 1 st	Reception Easter Celebration 9.15am. Reception Parents welcome.
Monday 4th School closed for May Day Bank Holiday	
Thursday 7 th	Y5/Y6 Girls' Football at Greenland 4.00pm–5.00pm
Friday 8 th	Y5 Life Science Centre Trip
Sunday 10 th	First Holy Communion at St Patrick's Church 9.00am
Monday 11 th – Thursday 14 th	Y6 SATs week
Thursday 14 th	Y6 Post SATs Celebration Lunch at Bacco Italian, Dipton
Friday 15 th	SEN drop-in session 2.30 - 3.15 with Miss Clish SENDCO
Monday 18 th – Thursday 21 st	Walk to School Week
Monday 18 th – Thursday 21 st	Art Week
Wednesday 20 th	Y1/Y2 Soccer Tots at Greenland Primary School am
Thursday 21 st	'Break the Rules' Day (50p per rule)
Thursday 21st May School closes for half term break Friday 22nd School closed due to staff inset day	
	
Monday 1st June School re-opens to pupils	
Throughout June	New Reception Transition Sessions
Monday 1 st – Friday 12 th	Y4 Multiplication test window

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Thursday 4 th	Y5/Y6 Girls' Football at Greenland 4.00pm–5.00pm.
Monday 8 th - Friday 12 th	Y1 Phonics screening test window/Y2 resits where necessary
Monday 8 th – Friday 12 th TBC	World Faith Week – Islam
Tuesday 9 th	Little Acorns Meeting 9-10.30am. Led by Caroline Daly SEND & Inclusion Advisory Team. Invited carers
Monday 15 th – Tuesday 16 th	Y6 Residential Visit to Newby Wiske Hall Adventure Centre, Northallerton
Monday 15 th - Friday 19 th	New Reception Parent Meetings
Friday 19 th	SEN drop-in session 2.30pm-3.15pm with Miss Clish SENDCO
Wednesday 17 th	Y5/Y6 Golf Festival at Beamish Golf Club am
Thursday 18 th	Y1/Y2 Multi-Skills Festival at Greenland Primary School am
Thursday 18 th	Y5/Y6 Girls' Football at Greenland 4.00pm–5.00pm.
Friday 19 th	Whole School Sports Day 1.30pm
Tuesday 23 rd	Y3/Y4 Tennis Festival at Shotley Tennis Club am
Wednesday 24 th	Y6 Leavers' Primary Festival Trip at Emmaus Youth Village
Thursday 25 th – date TBC	New Reception Lunch and Play Session 1.15pm-2.45pm
	
Monday 29 th - Friday 3 rd TBC	Disconnect to Reconnect Week (CAFOD)
Wednesday 1 st	Whole School Moving Up Afternoon
Wednesday 1 st – Thursday 2 nd	Y6 Transition Days at St Bede's
Wednesday 1 st	New Reception Classroom Visit (pupils only) 1.30pm-2.45pm
Thursday 2 nd	Y4 Life Science Centre Trip
Thursday 2 nd	Y5 BWCET Sport Event at Gateshead Stadium (provisional date)
Friday 3 rd	Mission Team led assembly for CAFOD (Pupils only)
Friday 3 rd	Annual school reports issued (date may be delayed for Y6 as we will need to wait for SATs results to be returned)
Sunday 5 th	St Patrick's families join parish for Mass 9am. All welcome.
Monday 6 th – Thursday 9 th	Y6 Bikeability Cycle Training Programme
Monday 6 th	Y6 Joint Leavers' Mass and Celebration at St Patrick's Church 6pm.

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Monday 6 th	Y5 <i>Celebration of Learning</i> event 2.45pm-3.15pm. Y5 Parents/Carers Welcome.
Tuesday 7 th	Little Acorns Meeting 9-10.30am. Led by Caroline Daly SEND & Inclusion Advisory Team. Invited carers
Tuesday 7 th	Y4 <i>Celebration of Learning</i> event 2.45pm-3.15pm Y4 Parents/Carers Welcome.
Wednesday 8 th	Y3 <i>Celebration of Learning</i> event 2.45pm-3.15pm. Y3 Parents/Carers Welcome.
Thursday 9 th	Y2 <i>Celebration of Learning</i> event 2.45pm-3.15pm. Y2 Parents/Carers Welcome.
Thursday 9 th	Special Whole School Event – More Details to Follow.
Friday 10 th	Y1 <i>Celebration of Learning</i> event 2.45pm-3.15pm Y1 Parents/Carers Welcome.
Friday 10 th	End of Year Thanksgiving Mass in St Patrick's church 10am. All welcome.
Tuesday 14 th	Reception <i>Celebration of Learning</i> event 2.45pm-3.15pm Reception Parents/Carers Welcome.
Wednesday 15 th	Y6 Leavers' Ceremony 4pm in school.

Friday 17th School closes for Summer holidays
School re-opens to pupils Thursday 3rd September 2026

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.

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