

22.7.22

Dear Parents

Here I am writing my last letter of the year; where has the time gone! Every year seems to pass more quickly. It is now time to say thank you, and to some, farewell.

Firstly, thank you for your continued support. It has been lovely to see you all at our summer events. We were very lucky with the weather and managed to dodge the showers and odd thunderstorm.

Thank you for your generosity throughout the year. £792.34 was raised at the summer fair (organised by the P.T.A). Again, I would like to acknowledge and pass on my gratitude to the P.T.A for the phenomenal work they do to raise the money, which allows us to enrich the curriculum.

Thank you to all staff and governors for your commitment to Northburn and for going over and above to ensure our children have a great learning experience in their primary years. From the number of thank you cards received, I know it is very much appreciated by the school community.

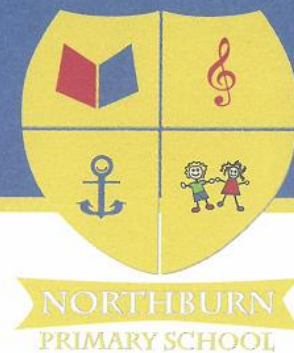
We have just received notification that we have again been awarded the Platinum Sports' Award for our commitment and engagement in the School Games for 2022/23. A fantastic achievement. I look forward to a planned full sporting events programme next year.

The children in Reception, Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6 will receive their School Challenge Award badges in assembly. Well done to all those children who received a gold badge for outstanding effort.

Sadly, Mrs Gillian Cowan is retiring. The school has benefitted enormously from her expertise. I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for years of dedicated work at

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Northburn. It is now time for her to relax and enjoy well-deserved days spoiling herself. However, she has agreed to be called upon to support trips and other events in the future!

I would also like to wish our Year 6 children all the best. I look forward to hearing about their future achievements. I will be visiting them in the autumn term to see how they have settled into secondary school. You are truly a talented group of individuals.

Please find attached the what's on and summer event flyers that will be running over the summer holidays at the Blyth Family HUBs.

<https://padlet.com/Northumberland/summer-activities-2023-bs8sy746g1rf8p1j>

I have also attached a letter from Northumberland County Council explaining our ongoing participation with the police in Operation Encompass.

### **What your child will need on their first day back:**

- Your child will need to be in their school uniform- all named please. (They **do not** need to wear a PE kit or bring one into school in case it is PE in the first week).
- A named water bottle (not glass).
- A packed lunch unless they are having a school dinner.
- A reading folder- Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.
- A reading folder or small bag (not designer or with a label) - Year3, 4, 5 & 6.

Nursery- you will have been informed about starting and finishing times for your child.

Reception doors and KS1 doors open at 8.45 am and again for the end of the day at 3.15.

Lower and Upper KS2 doors open at 8.40am.

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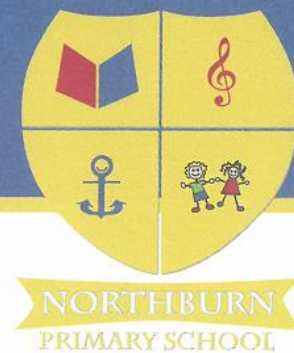
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If your child is registered in Class 7 (Primary Specialist Support Base) please liaise with Mrs Coull or Mrs Palmer.

The school uniform policy can be found on the school website. Please note that earrings and jewellery are not permitted. Please do not send your child into school with expensive PE kits with logos. Also, your child does not need an expensive water bottle that can be lost and damaged. Water bottles should be plastic in case they are accidentally dropped.

## PE Timetables

**For the first week**, your child does **not need** to wear their PE kit. For the rest of the year, your child will need to come to school dressed in their PE kit on the following days:

**Monday:** Classes: 4 & 5

**Tuesday:** Classes: 7,8,9,10,12 & 13

**Wednesday:** Classes: Reception (2&3), 9,11

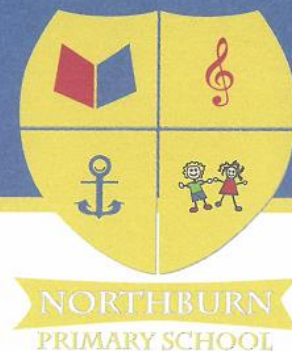
**Thursday:** Classes: 7&8

**Friday:** Classes: 4,5,6 & 10

Year 5 & 6 alternate weeks- Form teachers will clarify with pupils and it will be noted in their planners.

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## Forest School Timetable:

Every Tuesday for Reception

Wednesdays for Y1-Y6

- Autumn 1 Year 2
- Autumn 2 Year 4
- Spring 1 Year 3
- Spring 2 Year 1
- Summer 1 Year 5
- Summer 2 Nursery and Year 6 (selected weeks)

Class 7 will access Forest School throughout the week.

Fingers crossed work will be completed as planned over the summer holidays. We are further developing our outside areas and have a list of repair and improvement jobs timetabled in.

Finally, have a lovely summer holiday and I look forward to welcoming everyone back on Tuesday the 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Clare Scott'.

Clare Scott

Headteacher