

# Newsletter 15 20.05.22

## **Greggs Cancer Run**

















We were so proud of everyone who took part on Sunday. What a great way to restart one of our favourite events in the school calendar.

This year was our biggest ever team and it was lovely to see families taking up the challenge!

We would love to show you all of our photographs here but there are just too many! You can view more on the school's Twitter page @Havannah1st.

We are already looking forward to next year!

## Robinwood

Last week, our Y4 children had the 'best ever holiday' and 'best ever school trip' when they went to Robinwood for three days and two nights. They tried everything on offer from the giant trapeze in the trees to caving, canoeing and crate challenges. They showed individual resilience and team spirit throughout and enjoyed lots of fresh air, delicious food and a really memorable time with their friends. Well done to them all and a huge thank you to our staff who, as always, willingly give up their own family time to give our children this great experience. It has been two and a half years since the last residential which made this one even more special!

Again, here is a snapshot, but you can view lots more pictures on the school Twitter account.













## **Football Success**

Well done to the boys' team who shone through every game at the Newcastle Schools FA First Schools Tournament without conceding a single goal! Excellent team work, impressive passion and total determination from everyone in the team. There was great excitement in school and now we have to think about buying a trophy cabinet to start off our new wins as Havannah First!



## **Art Club**

We are gradually filling our new display spaces around school and were delighted when Rhonda's art club gifted us with this beautiful mosaic. It is now on display in the main entrance and looks fantastic!



### Late arrival at School

School doors open at 8.50am each day. If you arrive at school after 8.55am, please come to the main office where you can sign in your child and give the reason for your late arrival. We know that some late starts are unavoidable and we have been very understanding during the first few weeks at the new school. However, when children start school late regularly, this affects their confidence and learning as well as disrupting lessons for others. Please try to get here before the doors close at 8.55am to help your child to make the best possible start to the day.



### **Jubilee Celebrations**

We are having a Jubilee celebration day on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May. Children can dress up in red, white and/or blue for the day. There will be lots of Jubilee based activities in school as well as a jubilee lunch with an appropriately decorated dining room. The PTFA have asked if we can use this as the 'bring a bottle' non-uniform day too. So, if you can, please send/bring a bottle which can be used at the summer fair. More information about bottles has been shared from PTFA on ParentMail.

## **Reception Stay and Play**

Reception classes are having their first 'stay and play' session on our Jubilee day too. We can't wait to see you all getting involved in Jubilee activities with the children. This starts first thing and will last for an hour.

### **Scarecrows**

While most Year 4s were at Robinwood, the rest of KS2 got busy on a scarecrow project. The crows have been pecking the sealant out of our windows and being a real nuisance some days, so the children decided to take action! This was a great project and resulted in lots of small prototypes and designs as well as full size scarecrows which you might have seen in our grounds. Let's hope they do their job properly and soon the crows will find somewhere better to peck!

Well done Key Stage 2, great teamwork!





#### **Summer Fair**

The summer fair will take place straight after school on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July. We still won't have access to the field but will have plenty of indoor and outdoor spaces to make it a really enjoyable event for everyone. The PTFA will contact you with more information and to ask for help. Please support the event if you can. Thank you.

#### **Traffic Around and on Site**

We are very grateful that everyone is driving safely on site. Please continue to enter the site with caution and awareness of pedestrians. Most pedestrians are now entering the site via the new gate and crossing at the furthest end of the car park and this is much safer. Thank you to pedestrians, cyclists and drivers for helping us to keep everyone safe.

## **New Email Address**

We have now migrated onto our new email addresses. Until 11<sup>th</sup> July all emails will reach us, even if sent to the old Broadway address. However, the new Havannah email address is working and so it would be good to start using this immediately. Please use <a href="mailto:admin@havannah.newcastle.sch.uk">admin@havannah.newcastle.sch.uk</a> when contacting the office. Thank you.

## Clubs and the PE Survey

We would be grateful if you could answer some questions to help us with our PE provision and to tailor our extra-curricular clubs to the children's needs and interests. We are busy working with some providers to

restart clubs with the aim of fitting in as many as possible. We have already restarted art club and MFL club and Gymnastics will be restarting after the half term holiday as well as some Lee Sterry clubs. Please look on ParentMail where you will find a form with some questions. Thank you for your help.

## The School Photographer

Paul Gemmell will be in school on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May to take individual photographs and class photographs. We will share the proofs with you as soon as we have them.

Best wishes

Helen McKenna

Headteacher

## **Dates for Summer Term 2022**

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May School Photographer Day

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May Reception Parents and Carers' Stay and Play Session 8.55am

Jubilee Day - Wear Red, White and/or Blue and bring a bottle

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May Break up for half term

## Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June Half term Holiday

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June GST holiday for the Platinum Jubilee

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June Back to school

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June Year 3 (all of Class 5 and Y3s in Class 6) Assembly for Parents and Carers 9.15am

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June Class 3 Assembly for Parents and Carers 9.15am

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June Reception Assembly for September 2022 New Starters 9.15am
Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June Reception Assembly for Current Parents and Carers 9.15am

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June Class 2 Assembly for Parents and Carers 9.15am Class 4 Assembly for Parents and Carers 9.15am

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July PTFA SUMMER FAIR 3.30pm – 5.00pm

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July Y4 to GEMS for Transition

Transition Day at HFS New Starter Visits to Reception (details tbc)

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July Y4 to Gems for Transition

New Starter Visits to Reception (details tbc)

Annual Reports to Parents and Carers

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July Open Afternoon for Parents and Carers 2.30-3.20pm Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July Year 4 Leavers' Assembly for Parents and Carers

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July Break up for summer holiday

## Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September Summer Holiday

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September Staff Training Day (School Closed to Pupils)

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September Return to School for all Pupils

Please note the training days are Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September, Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October, Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December and Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May. These dates and the full holiday dates are on the school website.

