Pegswood Primary School News

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Friday 29th April

Code Club

We have been approached by Northumberland County Council and are pleased to announce that our Code Club will start on **Tuesday 10th May** in school. Code Club is a nationwide network of free volunteer-led after school coding clubs for children aged 9-11 and so we are offering this club to Year 4 and 5 children. We have space for 20 children, which means each child will have access to a computer individually. If there are more than 20 children interested in joining the club we will pull names from a hat to decide on the participants. Sam Willcox, (parent of Henry in Year 5 and also a Governor of school) will be our volunteer lead. The club will be on Tuesday nights from 4.15pm – 5.15pm at school. If your child is currently doing Sports Club on a Tuesday they will be able to stay at school between 4.00pm and 4.15pm. You should have received a letter tonight about the club if your child is in Years 4 or 5. For more information on Code Clubs, please follow the website link: https://www.codeclub.org.uk/about

Kingswood Meeting

The children are counting down the days until we leave for Kingswood. The children have chosen their pathway of activities and are looking forward to the trip. There will be a parents meeting on Wednesday 4th May at 5.00pm in the Year 5 classroom.

Early Years Moderator

I am delighted to say that Mrs Miller has once again been selected by Northumberland County Council to be an Early Years Moderator. This means that she will be visiting other schools in the county to assess their Early Years judgements. This is not the first time Mrs Miller has been selected to be a moderator for Early Years and it is pleasing to know her experience is being used by Northumberland County Council.

School Gateway

Thank you to those of you who have downloaded the app or registered on their website.
Many of you now have done this. We have also started our payments system that allows you to pay for school meals and other items. I would urge you to do this, if you pay for your child's meal, as it is a simple quick way to do this without sending money into school. More items to pay will appear on School Gateway in the future.

Bikeability

Year 5 will be embarking on a 3 day bikeability course in the near future. Cycle Experience is the company that the county council use and they have worked with us before. The children opting to complete the course will work in the school grounds and when competent will venture on to the quieter roads around school with trained tutors in small groups to sharpen their skills of riding on roads. This is an invaluable life skill and I am delighted that we are able to offer it to the children. There will be a separate letter going out to the participants, but they will need a fully functioning bike and cycle helmet.

Bike and scooter racks

We have ordered scooter racks and are currently awaiting their delivery. We decided on scooter racks as far more children are scooting to school rather than cycling. However we would also like to thank Sam Willcox for managing to get several individual bike racks from her place of work as they were no longer needed there.

May Day

Please note that school will be closed for May Day holiday on Monday 2nd May.

Diary Dates

Monday 2nd May	May Day – School closed
Wednesday 4th May	Kingswood Meeting for Year 5 parents (5.00pm)
Monday 9th May	Year 5 Bikeability course
Sunday 15th May	Greggs Cancer Run
Wednesday 18th May	Year 5 leave for Kingswood
Thursday 19th May	Year 4 trip to synagogue
Friday 20th May	Year 5 return from Kingswood
Wednesday 25th May	Reception / Nursery am trip to Whitehouse Farm
	Year 4 Striking & Fielding Festival
Thursday 26th May	Nursery pm trip to Whitehouse Farm
	Indian themed lunch
Friday 27th May	School closes for Half Term (3.00pm)
Monday 6th June	Teacher Training Day – School closed to children
Tuesday 7th June	School opens after Half Term
Wednesday 8th June	Uniform try on session 3.00-4.00pm (Please note you cannot buy uniform)
Thursday 9th June	Uniform try on session 6.00-7.00pm (Please note you cannot buy uniform)
Friday 17th June	Reception New Starters meeting 9.00am Main Hall
Friday 24th June	Year 4 visit – Lifepath
Monday 27th June	Nursery Big Toddle (9.00am & 1.00pm)
	Parent/Carers Lunch – Reception
Tuesday 28th June	Parent/Carers Lunch – Year 1
Wednesday 29th June	Parent/Carers Lunch – Year 2
Thursday 30th June	Parent/Carers Lunch – Year 3
Friday 1st July	Parent/Carers Lunch – Years 4 & 5
	Nursery Open Afternoon (September starters)
Saturday 2nd July	Pegswood Village Show
Monday 4th July	Enrichment Week
Tuesday 5th July	Sports Day – Key Stage 2 (Years 3, 4 & 5) (1.00pm)
Wednesday 6th July	Sports Day – Reception & Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) (1.00pm)
Friday 8th July	Nursery Sports Day (9.00am and 1.00pm)
Wednesday 13th July	Bookshop
Friday 15th July	Open Afternoon
Monday 18th July	Ugly Bug Ball - Early Years & Key Stage 1
	Key Stage 2 info to follow
Tuesday 19th July	House DVD
Wednesday 20th July	No Nursery PM
	School Closes for summer holidays (3.00pm)
Monday 5th September	Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 6th September	Teacher Training Day
Wednesday 7th September	School opens for Autumn Term