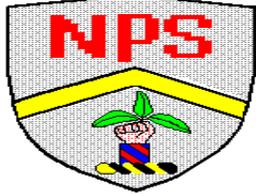


Summer Term Newsletter



We are Proud of You Teddy Bears

We hoped you like your teddy bears. We wanted you to know that we are all so proud of you and how hard you have all been working at school and at home. We are really missing the children who can't be at school at the moment but we are really excited to see you all in September.



Parent Pay

School dinners are paid through parent pay. Please can you keep a regular check of your account to ensure that you are in credit. We have had a financial audit and debts of £55 or more will be referred to Local Authority. We still have many outstanding payments needed from before school closure. Many Thanks

EYFS First Day Back

Some of us re-joined our friends in school for the 1st time in what seems like forever! We had loads of fun seeing our new classroom and meeting our friends who we have all missed so much! Our favourite part of the day was playing with the chicks that Miss Grant has kept for us

It was lovely hearing all of the feedback from parents about your first day at school





A successful, socially distant week had by all – with lots of fun and laughter in between!





End of Year Reports

End of Year Reports will still be written to report your child's end of year progress for all national curriculum subjects. These will be posted or delivered week commencing Monday 6th July.

Summer Holidays

To give staff time to plan, government guidance currently states that schools are able to close

to all pupils, including key workers, during the summer holidays. It is our current intention to close to all pupils for the six-week break. We will break up on Friday 17th July 2020 and reopen on Wednesday 2nd September 2020. We look forward to welcoming more pupils back in September and we are sure you will join us in celebrating their return as soon as government guidance makes this possible. As with everything surrounding COVID-19, there is a lot of uncertainty so please bear with us as we work through things. Remember, we are here to support you in any way we can during this pandemic. If you ring or email school, we will do our best to help you or point you in the right direction of someone who can.

Home Learning

Our school website is our central source of information and already contains some great advice, guidance and home learning links. If your child has finished their home learning Summer 2 pack or would like more work, please contact their teacher or the school office

Bbc.co.uk/bitesize

The national.academy

www.scholastic.com

<https://masterthecurriculum.co.uk>

www.edtechimpact.co.uk

www.twinkl.co.uk

www.classroomsecrets.co.uk

www.topmarks.co.uk

www.mathszone.co.uk

www.phonicsplay.co.uk

www.myminimaths.co.uk

www.plazoom.com

www.gonoodle.com

www.primaryresources.co.uk

First Week Back in Year 1

It has been lovely to welcome back some of our year 1 children this week. We have had lots of fun catching up and showing each other the new skills we've learnt at home. We have also enjoyed starting our new topic of Pirates! The children have really impressed Mrs Aspinall and Mrs Moore. We have had a busy week and cant wait to do it all again next week.



Please continue to look at our school website on www.nettlesworth.durham.sch.uk for diary dates, latest news, celebrations, advice and information.

Bitesize Daily Lessons

From 20 April, in response to the coronavirus pandemic and school closures around the United Kingdom, parents/pupils will be able to access regular daily lessons in English, maths and other core subjects, in an expanded version of the BBC Bitesize website and also in special programmes broadcast on BBC iPlayer and BBC Red Button.

Google BBC Bitesize for the website address

Mathematical Puzzles

Well Done Puzzlers

A massive well done to all of you puzzlers who attempted last weeks Maths puzzles.

We received some beautiful attempts from children across the school.

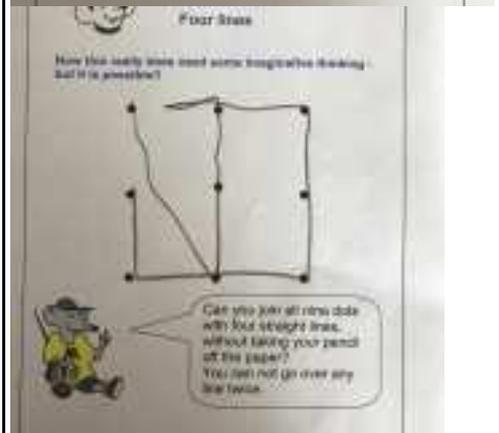
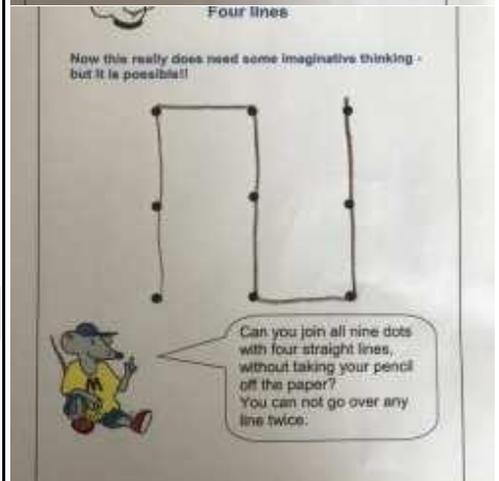
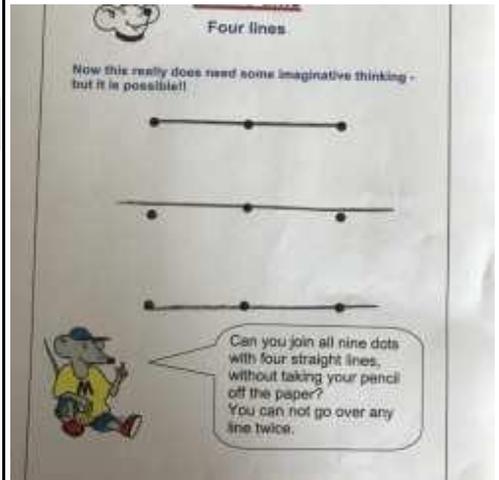
Here are a few attempts from our wonderful mathematical masterminds...

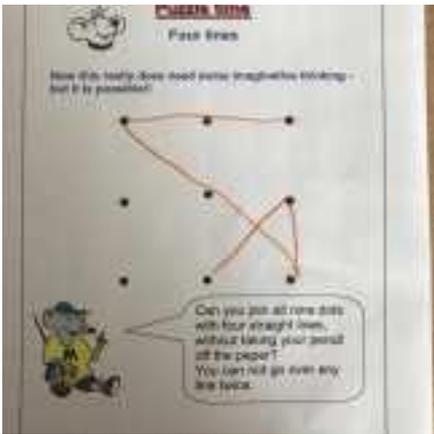
Texts/Emails

We regularly send texts to parents with details of events happening in school or just reminders. We are now also sending emails. Thank you for your patience while we are updating this. Letters have been sent out explaining our new systems. Please notify school if you haven't received any texts/emails in the last week. Your contact details may need updating.

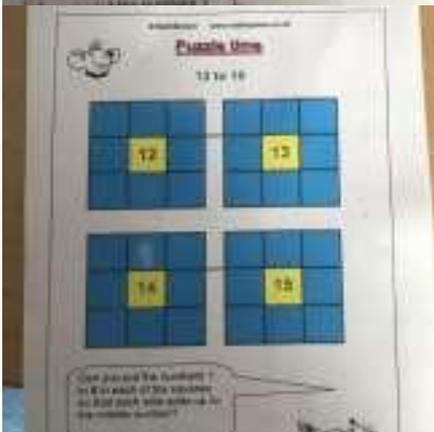
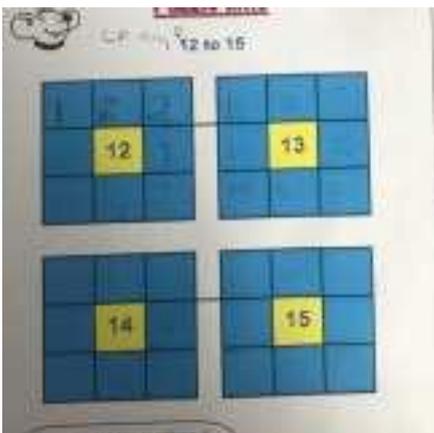
School Website

Class 1

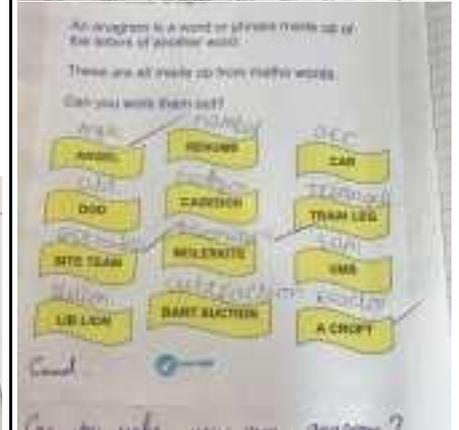
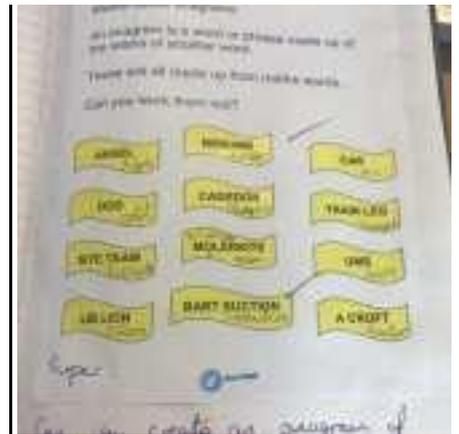
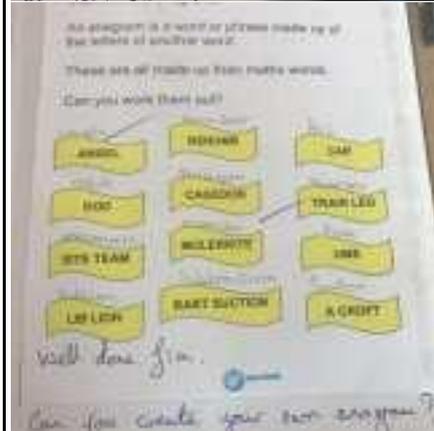
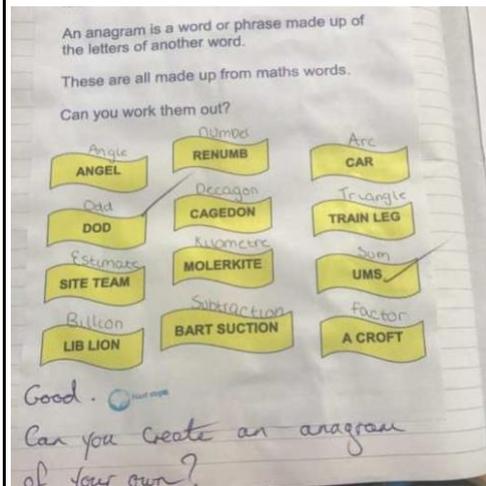




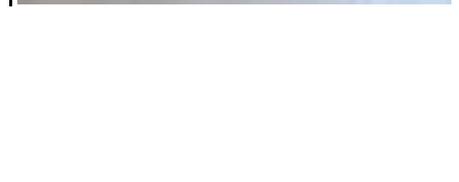
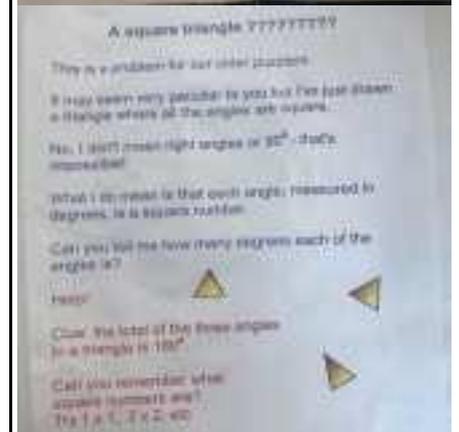
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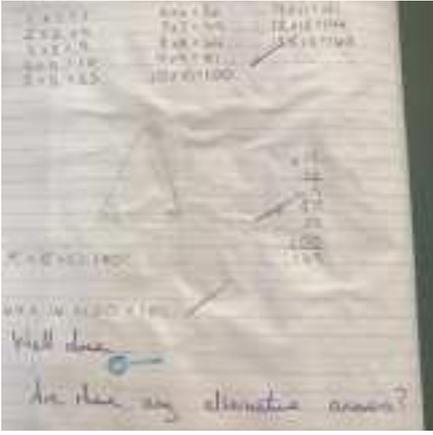


Class 3



Class 4





Well done to every child who attempted the puzzles. Remember to check the new puzzles and send any attempts into school via email.

Year 6 Leaver's Assembly

Dear Parents/ Carers,

This is the time that we would usually be preparing for our Year 6 leaver's assembly and their prom, but because of this unusual situation that we find ourselves in due to the coronavirus, we cannot organise things in our normal way. However, we do understand that leaving our school and starting a new school is a very exciting but nervous time for everyone, so have decided to put some things in place to make this a little less worrying for you all.

Weather permitting, we would like to invite you to a **Year 6 Leaver's Assembly** event outdoors on our school field.

Important date:

Thursday 16th July 9.15am

(1 parent / carer is invited to our Year 6 Leaver's assembly outdoors on the field. (Chairs will be placed on the field to adhere social distancing guidelines at all times.)

For this date, we are only permitting/allowed 1 parent to attend with their child. Please see out school website for the risk assessments that we will be adhering to throughout the visits. If the weather is forecast to rain, we will ring or email you the day before to cancel the event as it will NOT be able to take place indoors.

On arrival, we will expect you to queue along the outer green gate, following the 2 metre social distancing guidelines all the way down – there will be 2 markers out setting off this queue. When 9.15am arrives Mr Graham will lead you around the outside of the building to access the field, where the event will be taking place. Year 6 children attending school at present, will then continue to carry on school as normal. We are hoping to still arrange a Year 6 prom/event in the autumn term if guidelines change and will be in touch with you.

[Bitesize Galaxy Pug Science Game for KS1](#)

Parents and carers, check out [BBC Bitesize's](#) Galaxy Pugs game. Suitable for KS1 pupils – the Galaxy Pugs are on a mission to explore planet Earth and they need your

child's Science skills to succeed <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zdp4382/articles/zn7bscw>

[Summer Reading Challenge](#)

Parents and carers, are your children taking part in the [The Reading Agency's #SummerReadingChallenge](#)? They can get rewards, play games and earn badges as they discover great books to read this

summer!

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

[Earth Squad Science Game](#)

Parents and carers, take a look at Earth Squad, a science game suitable for KS2 pupils from [BBC](#)

[Bitesize](#)

Your children use their knowledge of the living world as they collect data and master their knowledge on plants, animals and the human

body

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z6bqkmn/articles/zj7s6v4>

[Look after your mental health](#)

A range of content designed to give you more information about mental health and to help you to look after your mental health is available from

the [Mental Health Foundation](#)

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/your-mental-health>

Art and Design Resources

Parents, carers and teachers of pupils studying art and design: [National Society for Education in Art and Design](#) have made resources

available for home learning

<https://www.nsead.org/coronavirus/remote-resources/>

International Women in Engineering Day

Today is International Women in Engineering Day – Bethany Cousins is one of many female engineering apprentices whose talent and skills

will #shapetheworld
#INWED20 #WomenInSTEM The University of Sheffield AMRC

Keeping Children Safe Online

Keeping our children safe online is a priority for us all.

Please access these links to see what things you can do at home to ensure that your children are safe online.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/.../our-views/parents-helpsheets/>

Water Safety

As the weather is getting warmer, it is important that our children understand the dangers of cold water shock and swimming in rivers.

Please take time to watch the below link to help keep children safe.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F29WpftMfzg&feature=youtu.be>

Summer Virtual Trips and Tours

[60+ Virtual Tours and Trips \(2\)](#)

Please see attached 60+ Summer Virtual Trips and Tours for the family

Virtual School Games

Exciting news for us all! Next Friday we are going to take part in the SSP's Virtual School Games. See below for more details

You might be already aware, but some BIG news the County Durham School Games Organisers will be running a Virtual School Games on Friday 3rd July with some very simple activities that require very little equipment so can be done both at home or in school. Please find attached the guidance for the activities. We have managed to get a host of well know faces/celebrities on board and they will be helping us promote the Games on our social media platforms Facebook & Twitter and on the County Virtual School Games webpage:

<https://durhamcls-ssp.co.uk/vsg20>

The **Opening ceremony** will take place on the Friday morning at 10am followed by a warm up videos from LK Health & Wellbeing and Joanne Banks Dancers. After this you will have until 5pm on Friday 3rd July to upload your results to the website www.durhamcls-ssp.co.uk/vsg20

Feel free to use the hashtag – #CDVSG20

The focus of the Virtual Games is on taking part and beating your Personal Best!

Bitesize Science Resources

Parents and carers, a range of science resources are available from [BBC](#)

[Bitesize](#)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z7nygk7>

Digital Education

[Digital Eagles](#)'s Code Playground sessions are a really fun way to learn the basics and develop digital skills for the future and they provide free digital education across a range of

topics

<https://www.barclays.co.uk/digital-confidence/eagles/>

Free School Meals over Summer Holiday Period

Guidance for schools and local authorities on providing vouchers to support pupils eligible for free school meals over the summer holiday period during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak is now

available

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-summer-food-fund>

Free School Meal Guidance

We have published updated guidance for schools and local authorities on free school meals arrangements during the coronavirus (COVID-19)

outbreak

<https://www.gov.uk/.../pub.../covid-19-free-school-meals-guidance>

Developing Children's Communication Skills

Tiny Happy People can help you develop your child's communication skills. Explore simple activities and play ideas and find out about early

development

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people>

Building Resilience

New resources on building resilience for both staff and students are available from [Anna Freud National Centre for Children and Families](#) Mentally Healthy

Schools

<https://mentallyhealthyschools.org.uk/.../coronavirus-toolkit...>

Healthy Eating

Find out more about what's really in the food your family eats. Check

out [Change4Life](#)'s Food Facts

<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/food-facts>

Time to Read Campaign

The Runaway Pea by Kjartan Poskitt and Alex Willmore is @Booktrust's 2020 [#TimeToRead](#) book!

Over 750,000 copies of the picture book will be given out to reception children during the Autumn term.

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[See more](#)

NSPCC

You can call the [NSPCC](#) or your local council or the police if you have any concerns about potential child abuse.

If you think it, report it.

Visit tacklechildabuse.campaign.gov.uk for more information.

Let's [#tackleabusetgether](#)