



7th June 2019—Our Latest News ...

Dear Parents,

We were extremely busy in school before half term with Key Stage 1 & 2 SATs ,some international visitors as part of our Erasmus+ project and lots of other exciting activities across school. We have tried to capture all of this in this newsletter for you! Year 6 have written all of the articles and I am sure that you will agree they have done a fantastic job! Happy Reading!

An exciting day for Year 1

On the 21st May Year 1 went to Escomb park. They walked all the way there and back. By the time they got there they were really excited and played stuck in the mud. After they had lots of fun and they ate some delicious chocolate cake. They had such an amazing time and all said they would go again.

Hannah and Hope (Year 6)

Testy Tests That Test You!

Nearly 4 weeks ago, Year 6 faced their testiest test yet.... SATs! (aka. Giant tests.) They were tested by a pile of testy tests but every single testy day these testy tests were beaten by the test masters! To all people testily approaching these testy tests, testy tests test you but it is nothing you can't overcome. Go Future Test Masters and Well Done Year 6!

Adam (Year 6)

Year 2 super SATs

During May Year 2 did their SATs. They were anxious at first but they got through it. They said that they were both nervous and frightened but they succeeded. Miss Clifford and Mrs Turner were impressed by how hard they have worked throughout the year.

Max and Kayleigh (Year 6)

Brilliant Bakery

On the 24th April Year 2 had a special visitor from Warburtons bakery called Gail. She taught them about their 5 a day and their fruit & vegetables. She also taught them about dairy and carbohydrates.

They really enjoyed it and got to take some products home.

Amelia & Sophie (Year 6).

Memorizing Meditation

On the 25th – 26th April, Jenny from the Mindfulness Workshop came in on the morning to every class. She specifically came in and told us ways to calm our self down and talk about not being stressed over our exams. She helped us by playing a few games to share our opinions, taught us calming techniques and taught us how to create our own stress toys such as a balloon filled with air or a water bottle with glitter. Overall she helped us relieve ourselves from stress and to be mindful of our actions.

Amelia W and Keira T (Year 6)

<u>Super Singers</u>

On 9th May, a lady from Durham Cathedral Outreach came to visit Y6. The Classroom of the Future looked very different; the tables had gone and Mr Jones and Josh were bringing the large, heavy piano in! The lady was a very good pianist—I had never heard the piano being played as much. We learned lots of new songs and we all thought it was extremely exciting. We even learned the Bare Necessities! We found out we would also be taking part in a mass choir in Durham Cathedral before the end of term.

Chloe B (Year 6)

Erasmus + Project

Listening to our Heritage

Bienvenido a England! On the 20th to the 25th May 18 children from Oroso Spain stayed with 9 host family from year 5 and 6. We did lots of different activities with them and the whole of year 6. We really enjoyed going and showing England to them.

Being someone who hosted I thought it was an amazing but hard experience. We can't wait to go there on the 10th to the 15th of June.

Holly (Year 6)

British Culture at its Best # Beamish!

On the 23rd of May year six and our Spanish visitors took a trip to Beamish Open Air Museum as a treat for doing our SATs. We saw the whole town and we even took a ride on a tram. We had lots of fun, and we appreciate that our school took us. We also really enjoyed making new friends with the Spanish children and we have made many memories interacting with them.

Freya and Macey (Year 6)

<u>Bowling</u>

On Tuesday 21st May the children who hosted and their Spanish visitors went bowling! It was very competitive I even think the Spanish won! At the end we had a delicious meal with a drink. We all went home with full stomachs and aching arms. It was a night we will never forget.

George (Year 6)

What a walk!!

On 22nd May, 8 year 6 pupils, 2 year 5 pupils and 18 Spanish pupils went on a 3 hour walk from Finchale Abbey to Durham Cathedral following the Camino pilgrimage walk. We looked around the remains of a church-there was even a dungeon! The walls were covered in markings. The walk took us up and down hills and past fields. It was very difficult but in the end it was all worth it. We visited Durham Cathedral and to finish our trip we went shopping. This trip gave us the chance to communicate and get to know the Spanish students. Some of us will be visiting Spain next week and we will be taking part in the Santiago Camino walk. We can't wait!

Brianna (Year 6)

Fading smoke

On 20th May, 18 Spanish guests came to visit. Ten people kindly offered to host and make them feel welcome. We had lots of fun together and created many new memories; along with experiencing new challenges. Unfortunately, all good times must come to an end. On 24th May (their last night in England) we had a farewell party-which included a BBQ! It was so tasty-and also a fabulous opportunity. There was lots of singing, dancing and football playing-it was like the World Cup! We then had an after party at Escomb Park before our fun was over. Many new friendships were made and our Spanish friends will always be in our memories. We are lucky enough to be returning to Spain next week and are really looking forward to it.

Written by Kristen and Laura (Year 6)

Girls winning wonders of Cricket

On 4th June 10 girls from both Year 5 and 6 went to a cricket tournament in Willington. We were the first pupils in our school to wear the new sport uniforms too. When we arrived, there were 11 teams split into three leagues. We were assigned the Championship. We played 5 games; won four and narrowly lost one. One of our games was won by a massive 81 points thanks to our 7 catches and our 2 wickets. Overall we came 1st in the Championship League.

Lara (Year 6)

Boys Batting for Success

On Wednesday 5th June a selection of boys from classes 5 and 6 took part in a cricket tournament, trying to collect the title of champions. Unfortunately, we came third in division 1, We all played well and had a great time. We played at Hunwick cricket club where there were 17 different teams competing for the cup. Our good sportsmanship and manners were commented on by people at the tournament and by the bus driver!

Tom, Jack, Jayden, James (Year 6)

Finding our Inner Squirrel with Laughter Yoga

On 17th May (after SATs) year 6 had a laughter yoga session with Noreen from Waves Holistic North East. In this session we went looking for our passport, made milk shakes ,found our inner squirrel and went on a laughter yoga rollercoaster . This really helped us come out our comfort zone and let loose a little after SATs. Laugher yoga is laughing for no reason; you may feel awkward but you get used to it after a while. We were really lucky to have pizza delivered after. It was delicious!

Abigail (Year 6)

Fun At The Park

On the 16th May, Year 6 got an amazing after-SATs surprise! We got to go to Escomb Park where we were allowed to bring a football and a basketball. There were zip lines, slides, swings, and a exercise area to get fit and healthy. We had a nice relaxing time playing with our friends. After walking back, there was another surprise for us -ICE CREAM with all the trimmings! Yummy!

Logan and Lewis (Year 6)

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