



# SOUTHRIDGE FIRST SCHOOL

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## Newsletter - Summer 5: 26<sup>th</sup> June 2015

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are moving towards the end of a very busy school year. The diary has been full of visitors in school, special events / themed days and school trips out. Staff work very hard to enrich our curriculum and enhance the learning opportunities available to the children. In turn, our children respond with enthusiasm and always impress us with the high standard of work produced and their excellent behaviour. We regularly receive positive feedback about our children and we know they are all wonderful ambassadors for our school.

### Sponsored Fun Run



**I am absolutely delighted to let you know that our sponsored event raised the grand total of £4582!** This means that



by using allocated funds from the school budget and the sponsorship money we are well on the way to replacing all the computers in the computer suite. We are so grateful for your support and efforts - this is a tremendous achievement for us as every child will benefit from using the new computers.

**National Schools Sports Week** -this week the children completed their sports diaries, adding in key stage and class events that they have taken part in this week. Please help them to include any activities that they take part in outside school. Mrs Aitken, our P.E. co-ordinator enjoys finding out about the rich and varied things are children do. It also helps to inform our extra-curricular planning.

 Youth Sport Trust

**National School Sport Week**

**22-26 June 2015**

**Whitley Bay Rotary Club** - Yesterday Year 4 hosted some very special guest from Whitley Bay Rotary Club. The Rotarians generously donated a school dictionary for every Year 4 child as a leaving gift, which will be presented to each child on their last day at Southridge. President David joined us for assembly so that Year 4 could thank the Rotary Club for this very kind gesture.



### Meet the Teacher Meetings -

Please look in school bags to find an invitation to a meeting in July where you will be able to meet your child's new teacher. The invitation also tells you who your child's class teacher will be in September. On 7<sup>th</sup> July the children currently in Reception to Year 3 will meet their new

teachers and spend a session with them. (N.B. Miss Walkers will meet her new class on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July)

**Year 4 Transition Days** - children in Year 4 will be visiting their middle schools on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July to enable them to experience middle school life. They have been working hard on a 'Super Hero' project which will be sent to middle school and we are extremely impressed with the standard of their work.

**Annual Reports** - will be sent home on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July in school bags.

### P.T.A:



Friends Of Southridge

Thank you to our PTA and parent helpers who organised an enjoyable disco last week and a Father's Day Gift Shop. Fundraising this year has helped support school events, development of the Nursery garden, new reading books for all.



### Summer Fayre

This year our annual summer event will take place on  
**3<sup>rd</sup> July 4pm - 7pm.**



Thank you to all those people who have offered to help set up the day. We still require more help on the stalls etc. during the fayre. If you can help out for a 30 minute / 1 hour slot please see a member of the PTA or leave your name at the school office.

On Fayre Day **all children may come in non-uniform** that day are invited to make a donation of chocolate bars etc. for the chocolate tombola stall.

**Sports Days** - will take place on the following afternoons all starting at 2pm

July 8<sup>th</sup> - Key Stage 1 - Year 1 and 2 - 2pm

July 9<sup>th</sup> - Reception - 2pm

July 10<sup>th</sup> - Key Stage 2 - Year 3 and 4 - 2pm

**Please note there will be a Photograph Station - where your child can stand on a podium and have their photograph taken at the end of their race.** Photographs and videos on mobile devices are not permitted on the school site.



**'Be a smarter parker'** - Our school is backing a 'Be a smarter parker' campaign, launched by North Tyneside's Elected Mayor to keep North Tyneside streets around schools, safe for children to walk, cycle and scooter by encouraging motorists to 'be a smarter parker.' We are asking parents and carers to support this campaign by not parking on single and double yellow lines and the 'School Keep Clear' zigzag markings.

Yours sincerely,

*S. E. Hall.*

Mrs S. Hall  
Headteacher

## Dates for your Diary this term:



### June

\*June 29<sup>th</sup> - European Day - in class activities.

\*June 30<sup>th</sup> - Reception Trip - Woodhorn Colliery

### July

\*July 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> - Archaeological Dig for Year 3 - on the school site ( led by Newcastle University Archaeological Department)

July 3<sup>rd</sup> - Summer Fayre

July 6<sup>th</sup> - Annual Reports sent home

July 6<sup>th</sup> - New to Year 4 -(Sept 15) Meet the Teacher Meeting 5.30pm

July 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> - Year 4 Transition Days for Middle School

July 7<sup>th</sup> - Move up to new classes - whole school - morning

July 7<sup>th</sup> - New to Year 2 - (Sept 15) Meet the Teacher Meeting 5.30pm

July 8<sup>th</sup> - Sports Day - Key Stage 1 - Year 1 and 2 - 2pm

July 8<sup>th</sup> - New to Year 3 - (Sept 15) Meet the Teacher Meeting 5.30pm

July 8<sup>th</sup> - New to Year 1 - (Sept 15) Meet the Teacher Meeting 5.00pm

July 9<sup>th</sup> - Sports Day - Reception - 2pm

July 9<sup>th</sup> - Year 4 Leavers Disco

July 10<sup>th</sup> - Key Stage 2 Sports Day - Year 3 and 4 - 2pm

\*July 13<sup>th</sup> - Year 2 Garden Party

\*July 14<sup>th</sup> - Nursery Sports Day \*\*\* (Change of Date)

\*July 16<sup>th</sup> - Nursery Garden Party

Nursery Breaks Up

July 16<sup>th</sup> - Year 4 Leaver's Assembly 2pm

July 17<sup>th</sup> - **BREAK UP** for summer holidays

\*New date added