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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic week it has been across school!

A huge congratulations must go to our incredible Year 6 children who completed their SATs this week. We could not be more proud of the resilience, determination and positive attitude they have shown throughout the week. They approached every challenge with maturity and confidence and truly represented our school brilliantly. Their hard work over many months has really shone through and they thoroughly deserved their special celebration at the end of the week with a visit from the ice cream van! Needless to say, this caused much excitement around school — especially from Year 2, who had just returned from their own exciting adventure at Gibside!

Speaking of Gibside, Year 2 had a wonderful time exploring the outdoors, developing their teamwork skills and enjoying nature as part of our whole-school Walking Month activities. The smiles, stories and muddy shoes on their return told us everything we needed to know! Over the coming weeks, all classes will have the opportunity to visit Gibside and take part in outdoor learning activities to further encourage healthy lifestyles, exploration and a love of the outdoors.

Next week, our adventurous Year 6 pupils are off to Weardale for their residential visit and excitement levels are already building! During their stay, the children will experience a range of outdoor and team-building activities including canoeing, rock climbing, campfires and much more. Residential visits are always such valuable opportunities for children to build confidence, independence and friendships, and we know they will return with plenty of stories to share. We wish them a fantastic trip and cannot wait to hear all about their adventures on their return.

Elsewhere in school, classrooms have been buzzing with learning this week. Children have continued to work incredibly hard and it has been lovely to see so much enthusiasm, creativity and collaboration taking place across all year groups. Staff have commented on the excellent attitudes to learning and the kindness children are showing towards one another both in lessons and around school.

As the weather becomes warmer, please remember to send children into school with a water bottle and suitable outdoor clothing where appropriate. We are hoping to make the most of opportunities for outdoor learning and physical activity over the coming weeks.

A very important reminder to all families: we are a nut-free school. We ask parents and carers to be extremely careful when preparing packed lunches and snacks. Please do not send in any items containing nuts, and also be mindful of products that may contain traces of nuts or have been manufactured in environments handling nuts. This is essential in helping us to keep all children safe, particularly those with severe allergies. We greatly appreciate your support and understanding with this matter.

Finally, a reminder that school closes next Friday for the half-term break.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Mr Brown
Head Teacher
15th May 2026

Head Teacher - Simon Brown

Chair of Governors - Chris Robson
