

### Welcome To Our New School Year

There were smiles from both parents/carers and pupils on Monday as our school returned from the six week Summer break to begin the new school year. All in all the weather wasn't too bad with brilliant sunshine and warmth, particularly at the beginning of the holiday. The lucky ones are those of us who were not around in weeks 4/5 to experience the wind and rain, remnant of Hurricane Bertha! On behalf of all our staff, thank many of you who gave us cards and gifts at the end of the school year? We always say a 'thank you' is enough but we really do get blown away by your consideration. Thank you ☺.

At the risk of being repetitive can it be noted that the school is UNABLE to grant holidays to be taken in term time unless it is for an 'exceptional, once in a life time reason'. The change in government policy has removed the responsibility of the Headteacher to grant authorised absence for such holidays. Members of our school's governing body will now examine each 'exceptional' request and decide how to respond.

It is a few years since we have invited a school photographer into Carr Hill to take individual and family photos. This year we are looking at a date during late October/early November so you can use the photos as family Christmas gifts. The date will be confirmed with you in a separate letter this month.

Next week we will be sending out the personal details contact form so you can update the school with information/telephone numbers that we may need if we have to contact you in an emergency.

The government's free school meals policy for all 4-7 year olds started on Monday. All children in reception, Years 1 and 2 will have a cooked lunch here in school. There is no provision whatsoever for packed lunches for these children and in line with most other schools if the child does not want this free cooked lunch they need to be collected and taken home for their dinner.

Our breakfast club reopened this morning and all pupils between Y1 and Y6 are invited to join us from 8am onwards. Our breakfast club is free of charge. The assortment of after school clubs and activities will begin next Monday. This year, to cover the cost of coaches we have had to introduce a £10.00 per term charge (one charge which would cover attendance of several clubs, equating to 75p for one week or less if your child attends more than once activity). When compared to other child care costs and other charges for these activities this really does represent great value for money.



### Great North Run 2014

Last year your tremendous support raised just short of £300 for the NSPCC as members of our staff completed the 13.1 mile run. This year Mr Harris, Mr Kidd, Mrs Cox, Mr McGill and Mrs McClean will be running on Sunday morning. Please can you put any loose change into the attached envelope to support us? Mr & Mrs. Harris are always so overwhelmed by contributions made to their daughter, Caoimhe's NSPCC memory fund. Come and cheer us on! Thank you.

### SCHOOL TERM DATES 2014/2015

<b>Autumn Term</b>	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept until Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2014	(Half term - 27 <sup>th</sup> - 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct 2014) Staff Training Day - Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2014
<b>Spring Term</b>	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan until Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Apr 2015	(Half term 16 <sup>th</sup> - 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2015)
<b>Summer Term</b>	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> Apr until Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2015	(Bank holiday - 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2015) (Half term 25 <sup>th</sup> - 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2015) Occasional Day - Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2015 Staff Training Day - Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2015

**Carr Hill Community Primary School**  
**Privacy Notice - Data Protection Act 1998**

We, Carr Hill Community Primary School, are a data controller for the purposes of the Data Protection Act. We collect personal information from you and may receive information about your child from their previous school and the Learning Records Service. We hold this personal data to:

- Support their learning;
- Monitor and report on their progress;
- Provide appropriate pastoral care, and
- Assess how well your child is doing.

Information that we hold includes your contact details, your child's national curriculum assessment results, attendance information<sup>[1]</sup> and personal characteristics such as ethnic group, any special educational needs they may have and relevant medical information.

*We will not give information about you to anyone without your consent unless the law and our policies allow us to.*

We are required by law to pass some information about you to our Local Authority (LA) and the Department for Education.

If you want to receive a copy of the information about you that we hold or share, please contact Marie Coates, our School Business Manager.

If you need more information about how the LA and DfE store and use your information, then please go to the following websites:

<http://www.gateshead.gov.uk/Education%20and%20Learning/Schools/plans/dataprotection.aspx><sup>[2]</sup>

or

<http://www.education.gov.uk/researchandstatistics/datatdatam/b00212337/datause>

If you cannot access these websites, please contact the Local Authority or Department for Education as follows:

- Matt Waddington, Principal MIS Officer, Gateshead Council  
Gateshead Civic Centre, Regent Street, Gateshead NE8 1HH  
Telephone: 0191 433 2751
- Public Communications Unit, Department for Education  
Sanctuary Buildings, Great Smith Street, London SW1P 3BT  
Website: [www.education.gov.uk](http://www.education.gov.uk)  
Email: <http://www.education.gov.uk/help/contactus>  
Telephone: 0370 000 2288