



(Article 30)



You have the right to practice your own culture, language and religion - or any you choose. Minority and indigenous groups need special protection of this right.

Friday Letter



13th March 2026

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Dates for the diary:

Thursday 2nd April - Break up for Easter

Monday 20th April - Return to school

Monday 4th May - Bank Holiday

Friday 22nd May - Break up for May half term

Monday 1st June - Occasional day

Tuesday 2nd June - Return to school

Mr Stott

Mr Stott will be leaving us at Easter after 25 years at Bill Quay Primary. We would like to thank him for his hard work and dedication over the years and wish him all the best in his retirement!

Caretaker Vacancy

We are currently advertising for a school caretaker. If you or anybody you know might be suitable for the role, please apply online by following the link below:

https://www.northeastjobs.org.uk/job/Caretaker_Bill_Quay_Primary_School/293189

Parking

Could we politely remind parents/carers to park considerately when dropping off or collecting children from school.

Year 4 Pupil Progress Meetings

Pupil progress meetings for children in year 4 will be held after school Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th March. Meetings will be held face to face in school. Appointments are now available to be booked using the link below:

<https://billquayprimary.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Please ensure meetings are booked by midday on Monday 23rd March.

Pupil Progress Meetings (Years 1/3/5)

Pupil progress meetings will be held after school on Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th March for pupils in years 1, 3 and 5. Meetings will be held face to face in school. Appointments are now available to be booked using the link below:

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Please ensure meetings are booked by midday on Monday 23rd March.

Red Nose Day

On Friday 20th March, children are invited to come to school wearing something red or bright coloured in aid of Red Nose Day. A £1.00 donation would be greatly appreciated and can be paid online using the SchoolGateway App.

Year 1 - Beamish

Year 1 will be visiting Beamish on Monday 30th March to take part in a 'Life in the infant classroom' workshop. The cost of this trip is £24.00 per child however, we have capped this at £16.00 for parents. Payment can be made via the SchoolGateway app. A link to the consent form has been sent to you via email.

Spring Musical Showcase

Our KS2 Spring Musical Showcase will take place at Heworth Grange School this year on Wednesday 1st April starting at 4.30pm and will last about an hour. A link to the consent form has been emailed to you. We would appreciate it if this could be completed as soon as possible so that we can plan effectively for the event. Tickets will be on sale from Monday 9th March, and are priced at £3 for adults and £1.50 for children under the age of 16. Each participating family can purchase up to 2 tickets initially. Any spare tickets remaining after Monday 23rd March will be available on a first come, first served basis. All proceeds will go towards the school fund. Unfortunately, any children under the age of three are not able to attend this event.

Easter Fun Day

Our Easter Fun Day will take place on Thursday 2nd April. This will be a ticketed event that will run during school hours for all children. Unfortunately, no parents/carers will be able to attend. The cost of a ticket is £3 and can be purchased using the SchoolGateway app. Tickets include a packet of crisps and a drink and will allow children to take part in a range of activities and games, and win prizes. There will also be a tuck shop for children to purchase sweets. Please ensure your child brings a small amount of money in a clearly labelled envelope and that tickets are purchased prior to the date of the event.

Decorate an Egg

All children are invited to decorate a hard-boiled egg in school on Monday 30th March. Please ensure your child brings to school 2 or 3 hard-boiled eggs to decorate. The winner from each class will be chosen and announced at our Easter Fun Day. Children in Nursery will decorate their eggs throughout the week.

[Due to some of our pupils having a severe egg allergy, children in Nursery and year 3 will be provided with a polystyrene egg to decorate.](#)



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LEGO CLUB

Tuesday 17th March
4:00-5:00pm
Chowdene Family Hub

Children under 12 with additional needs - come along
and join a LEGO building session!
Parents, carers and siblings welcome.

Contact: familyhubs@gateshead.gov.uk
Phone: 0191 433 5052



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