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Attendance

	Earth	Mars	Venus	Neptune	Saturn	Mercury
Weekly Attendance %	100%	97.7%	98.9%	95.5%	95.8%	99.1%
Number of late marks	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of children late marks equate to	0	0	0	0	0	0



Well done to Earth who have the best attendance this week with 100%!

News

Gateshead Primary Schools Rugby Champions 2018!

Yesterday, our Tag Rugby team were crowned Gateshead Primary Schools Rugby Champions 2018! Well done team Washingwell! A fantastic achievement.



Remembrance Day

We will be selling poppies and a range of small stationary items at break times next week on behalf of the Royal British Legion in time for Remembrance Day. Recommended £1.00 donation per item.

Mrs Williams

Mrs Williams has been successful in gaining a new teaching position in a school in Durham, so has handed in her resignation. Whilst sad for us, it is the right thing for Mrs Williams as she is seeking to move into a more senior role and therefore needs to gain more experience to do this. Her new post is in a school which is very different to ours and will allow her gain a wider range of experience in all areas.

I hope you will join me in congratulating Mrs Williams on her new role.

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PE Kits / Flex It Friday

Could I once again, stress the importance of correct PE kits being in school Monday – Thursday for PE lessons and correct items for Flex It Friday’s being worn in line with our school uniform policy. We have noticed that increasingly branded hoodies and t-shirts/jogging bottoms of the incorrect colour are being worn.

School Photographs

Individual and family group photograph proofs have been sent home with your child this week. The deadline for orders to be returned to school is Friday 9 November 2018.

Bonfire Extravaganza

Remember to get your bonfire tickets before the event on 9 November 2018 as admission is by ticket only. **We are not accepting payment for tickets on the night.** You can pay via Lunchshop and tickets will be sent home with your child or you can purchase in cash from the school office.

Flu Nasal Sprays

If you would like your child to have the flu nasal spray administered in school by the School Nursing Team on Wednesday 14 November 2018, forms must be returned on Monday 5 November if you haven’t already done so. **Late forms cannot be accepted.**

Parent Consultation Arrangements

By now you should have received your individual time slot for Parent Consultations which are taking place on Tuesday and Wednesday next week. **Please note that there will be no Karate on Wednesday next week but all other clubs on these days will take place as normal.**

All parents should wait in the school hall where you can view your child’s books after your appointment. Could I ask that you arrive no sooner than 10 minutes prior to your appointment time to avoid congestion in school. Locations of meetings are as follows, but class teachers will collect you from the school hall:

Class	Class Teacher	Meeting Taking Place
Earth	Mr Barnes	Small room opposite Year 2
Mars	Mrs Williams	Mars Classroom
Venus	Mrs Evered	Venus Classroom
Neptune	Mrs Mustard	Neptune Classroom
Saturn	Mrs McCue	Saturn Classroom
Mercury	Miss Weatherburn	Jupiter Classroom

Children in Need

This year we will be supporting Children in Need on Friday 16 November. Our School Councillors have decided that this year we will be doing several activities to raise money.

Activity	What	Cost
Spotacular clothes	Come to school dressed in spots.	£1.00
Spotacular biscuits	Decorate your own spotacular biscuit at lunchtime on the Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 yard. (Activity lead by School Councillors.)	50p
Penny Pudsey	Collect all your pennies, bring them into school and help fill our Pudsey Bears which will be drawn on the playground.	As many 1p coins as you can carry!

Battery Recycling

To be in with a chance of winning £500 for school, please continue to bring in your old batteries for recycling! Look out for other recycling events and activities taking place this term.

Lost Property

Ebony in Class Neptune has misplaced her named school hoodie. Please check at home incase your child has mistakenly picked this up instead of their own.

Forthcoming Events and Key Dates

Planned Staff Training and Arranged Class Cover for the week ahead.			
Staff Member	Class	Date	Cover
Mrs McCue	Saturn	Tuesday 6 November 2018 - Morning	Mr Walker

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Tuesday 6 and Wednesday 7 November 2018

Parent Consultation Appointments – times already issued. See arrangements above.

Friday 9 November 2018

2.30pm - Saturn Performance Poetry in Achievers Assembly (Saturn parents invited to attend).
6.00 – 8.00pm – FUNdraisers Bonfire Extravaganza (Ticketed event)

Sunday 11 November 2018

Community Event – Remembrance Parade in Whickham (10.30am at the Cenotaph).

Tuesday 13 November 2018

Mercury Visit to Centre for Life – separate letter already issued.

Wednesday 14 November 2018

Afternoon – School Nurse in school to administer flu vaccinations.

Thursday 15 November 2018

3.30pm – Meeting for Reception and Year 1 Parents with KS1 Staff

Friday 16 November 2018

Children in Need Day (Spotacular clothes, biscuits and penny Pudsey!)
2.30pm - Mercury Performance Poetry in Achievers Assembly (Mercury parents invited to attend).

Friday 23 November 2018

2.30pm – Mars Performance Poetry in Achievers Assembly (Mars parents invited to attend)

Thursday 29 November 2018

Afternoon – Year 6 Transition Event at Whickham School (IT)

Thursday 6 December 2018

Reception and Year 1 Visit to Wharton Park (separate letter yet to be issued).

Friday 7 December 2018

3.00 – 5.00pm - Washingwell FUNdraisers Christmas Fair

Tuesday 11 December 2018

Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 12 December 2018

9.15am and 2.15pm – KS2 Christmas Performances

Thursday 13 December 2018

9.15am and 2.30pm – KS1 Christmas Performances

Friday 14 December 2018

Afternoon – Saturn Christmas Party

Monday 17 December 2018

Afternoon – Neptune Christmas Party

Tuesday 18 December 2018

Afternoon – Venus Christmas Party

Wednesday 19 December 2018

Morning – Earth and Mars Christmas Party
Afternoon – Mercury Christmas Party

Thursday 20 December 2018

Morning – FUNdraisers Sweet Tuck Shop
Afternoon – Whole School Pantomime Visit (separate letter yet to be issued)