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Attendance

	Jupiter	Venus	Neptune	Saturn	Mercury
Weekly Attendance %	99.2%	98.1%	97.2%	90.8%	98.1%
Number of late marks	0	0	0	0	0
Number of children late marks equate to	0	0	0	0	0



Well done to Jupiter who have the best attendance this week!

News

A reminder that school closes today for Spring half term. Monday 25 February is an INSET Day so we look forward to seeing you back on Tuesday 26 February 2019.

Bagel Bar

Our Bagel Bar opens at 8.45am on Tuesday 26 February 2019 in the KS1 Dragons Den and will be open daily from then providing a healthy accessible breakfast for all. Hope to see you there!

Parent Survey

It is important to us to regularly gain parental feedback and opinions to ensure continuous improvement. If you haven't already done so, we would therefore be grateful if you could take some time to complete the questions in our parent survey by copying and pasting the link below in to your web browser before Friday 1 March 2019.

<https://goo.gl/forms/eutKtyWP5azuN63>

Thank you for your support.

Police Horses Visit Washingwell

A huge thank you to Northumbria Mounted Police Officers and Pluto and Patronus for visiting us yesterday. The children (and staff) had a fantastic time learning about the role of the police horses and we are lucky to have such amazing animals protecting us - they are a credit to our Police force. The Police Officers were very enthusiastic and answered all of the questions asked by the children (there were lots!).



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Forthcoming Events and Key Dates

Planned Staff Training and Arranged Class Cover for the week ahead.			
Staff Member	Class	Date	Cover
Mrs Evered	Venus	Tuesday 26 February 2019 - Morning	Mrs Brewis
Mr Barnes	Jupiter	Tuesday 26 February 2019 – Full Day	Mrs Hall
Mrs Evered	Venus	Wednesday 27 February 2019 – Full Day	Mrs Brewis
Mrs McCue	Saturn	Thursday 28 February 2019 – Full Day	Miss Tempest
Miss Weatherburn	Mercury	Thursday 28 February 2019 - Morning	Mr Walker

Monday 25 February 2019

INSET Day – School closed to pupils

Tuesday 26 February 2019

8.45am – Breakfast Bagel Bar opens

8.55am – School re-opens

Thursday 28 February 2019

9.30am – FUNdraisers Meeting (all welcome)

Friday 1 March 2019

9.15am – Mercury Showcase Event (Mercury Parents invited to attend)

Monday 4 March 2019

Afternoon – Venus Visit to Waterstones, Metro Centre. Separate letter yet to be issued.

Tuesday 5 March 2019

Venus visit to York Chocolate Story – separate letter already issued.

Jupiter visit to Whitehouse Farm – separate letter already issued.

Thursday 7 March 2019

World Book Day – come to school dressed as your favourite 'Good, Bad or Cuddly' book character!

Friday 8 March 2019

Afternoon – Jupiter visit to Waterstones, Metro Centre. Separate letter yet to be issued.

Monday 11 and Tuesday 12 March 2019 – Parent Consultations – separate letter already issued.

Wednesday 13 March 2019

Afternoon – Class Neptune Spring Sing at Sage Gateshead – separate letter yet to be issued.

Thursday 14 March 2019

9.15am – Jupiter Showcase Event (Jupiter Parents invited to attend)

Thursday 21 March 2019

9.15am – Neptune Showcase Event (Neptune Parents invited to attend)

Tuesday 26 March 2019

9.15am – Venus Showcase Event (Venus Parents invited to attend)

Wednesday 27 March 2019

Saturn visit to Centre for Life. Separate letter yet to be issued.

Neptune visit to Great North Museum. Separate letter yet to be issued.

Thursday 28 March 2019

9.15am – Saturn Showcase Event (Saturn Parents invited to attend)

Tuesday 2 April 2019

9.15am – Spring Assembly (all welcome to attend)

Wednesday 3 April 2019

6.30 – 8.30pm – Dance Club perform at Dance Festival at Sage Gateshead.

Friday 5 April 2019

3.20pm – School closes for Easter break.

A reminder that we are a Safeguarding School and we have a duty to pass on any concerns to Children's Services

USING SOCIAL MEDIA



STAYING SAFE

- ✔ Abide by age limits – for Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, Twitter, ASKfm and WhatsApp you must be 13-years-old
- ✔ Think about what you're posting and who you want to be able to see it.
- ✔ Only use websites you know are safe.
- ✔ Put your privacy settings on high.
- ✔ Report anything you think is inappropriate or makes you feel uncomfortable.
- ✔ Set Snap Map to 'ghost mode' or don't allow Snapchat to access your device's location.
- ✔ Be careful when choosing which friends can see your location on Snap Map.
- ✘ Don't give out personal information.
- ✘ Don't talk to people you don't know.
- ✘ Don't open unusual pop-ups or links.
- ✘ Even if you are using 'ghost mode' on Snapchat, don't post to 'Our Story' unless you want your location to be visible.



CYBER BULLYING

Cyber bullying includes sending nasty messages,

posting things with the aim of upsetting someone, purposely leaving someone out of an online group, passing on messages and posts with the aim of causing offence, and posting anonymously with the aim of causing someone harm. It can have a serious effect on people, making them feel worthless, decreasing their self-confidence and isolating them. If you are bullied online, you should take the following actions:

- Report it to an adult or to a staff member at school
- Save the messages you received
- Make a note of the user's name
- Block the user giving you the abuse
- Not reply to the messages



SEE IT, REPORT IT

If you have a concern about something online, it's important you speak to an adult you trust about it, or inform the app you're using by clicking on 'Report'.



GEMARTS



WINTER

Thursday 21st February 2019
11:30am – 3:30pm*
Caedmon Hall, Gateshead Central Library, NE8 4LN
FREE EVENT, just drop in!

Come and try out arts and crafts from around the world at GemArts family arts event.

Take part in Origami, Chinese Block Printing, Persian Calligraphy, Bollywood Dancing, Steel Pan Drumming and lots, lots more.

*A relaxed session will run between 10-11am for visitors who may benefit from a quieter environment (booking required for this session only, call 0191 4404124)

Presented by GemArts with Gateshead Council Culture Team.

For more information visit www.gemarts.org

