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FRIDAY LETTER

Dear Parents and carers,

Year 4 Open Afternoon

Thank you to parents and grandparents for attending the Year 4 Open Afternoon on Tuesday, it was a great turnout. We hope you enjoyed helping the children with their design and technology project of vehicle building, there were certainly some excellent models on show.

80th Anniversary of VE Day Celebrations

Yesterday was the 80th Anniversary of VE Day, when the nation united in rejoicing the end of the war in Europe. We celebrated the day at Crookhill by remembering the fallen and learning about life during World War 2. Mrs Parker and her team prepared a lovely picnic lunch which we enjoyed outside and the children made paper chains, and tried out some war time recipes, making the best of use of available ingredients during rationing. Mrs Mary Harrison came into Year 5 to chat about what it was like to be evacuated, the children asked lots of questions, and were particularly interested in her air raid shelter and what food was like during the war. Mrs Harrison said the children were engaged throughout, wonderfully polite and were a credit to Crookhill Primary.

Year 2 Trip to Safetyworks

Year 2 visited the Safetyworks Centre in Newcastle this morning. This is a Crookhill favourite and as always, the pupils, staff and parent helpers had a fantastic time. Safetyworks is a multi-agency interactive centre serving the community of Tyne & Wear. It provides an innovative, enjoyable learning experience enabling visitors to participate safely in realistic situations, illustrating everyday hazards and how to prevent them. From road and rail safety to fire hazards, dangerous dogs to water safety, the children took everything on board, bringing lots of important messages back to school with them.

After School Trips

Thank you to everyone who has signed up for After School Clubs, as usual the take up was excellent and most activities are now full. The clubs start next week with all of them finishing at 4.15pm

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Year 6 SATs

Next week is SATs week and everyone is delighted by how hard our Year 6 pupils have worked this year. There will be a free breakfast club in the dining hall at 8.20am Monday to Thursday, with a variety of cereals, toast and juice to fortify them for the day ahead. We know each and every one of them will do their very best, we can't ask any more of them than that.

Summer Term 2025 Diary Dates

W/C 12th May		Afterschool Clubs Start this week
		SATs week for Year 6, Year 6 Breakfast Club Mon to Thu at 8.20am
W/C 19th May	Wed 21 st May	Year 6 Health and Wellbeing Trip to Gibside
	Fri 23 rd May	Break up for Half Term, 2 nd June is INSET day, pupils return Tue 3 rd June
W/C 2nd June		Year 4 Multiplication Check
W/C 9th June		Year 1 Phonics Screening
	Thu 12 th June	Year 5 trip to Hancock Museum
W/C 16th June	Thu 19 th June	Team of Year 5 pupils to visit Nissan in Sunderland
W/C 23rd June		Last week for Afterschool Clubs
W/C 30th June	1 st & 2 nd of July	Year 6 Transition Days
	Tue 1 st July	Class Swap Day
	Wed 2 nd July	Whole School Summer Music Workshop
	Thu 3 rd July	Year 1 trip to Beamish Museum Celebration Afternoon for Reception Class
	Fri 4 th July	Celebration Afternoon for Key Stage One
W/C 7th July		Sport and Health Week
	Mon 7 th July	Reception Class Trip to Hall Hill Farm
	Tue 8 th July	Whole School Orienteering Event
	Wed 9 th July	Team Rubicon scooter and skateboard day
	Fri 11 th July	Celebration Afternoon for Key Stage 2
W/C 14th July	Mon 14 th July	Sports Day – Parents welcome from 1.30pm
	Wed 16 th July	Year 6 Prom, Tyneside Golf Club, Ryton Village 7-9pm
	Thu 17 th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.15am School breaks up for Summer Holidays
	Fri 18 th July	Occasional Day – School reopens Monday 1 st September 2025

Enjoy the sunshine over the weekend and remember sun cream and hats for next week. We'll see you all on Monday.

Yours sincerely,
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Head Teacher

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