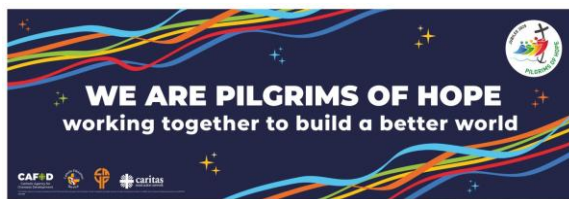




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Friday 7th February 2025

Dear Parents, Carers and Governors,

Thanks to everyone in our school community for your continued care and dedication as we all aim to 'live life to the full'.

Next week, Y6 have 4 days of Bikeability training and Y4 will take part in a friendship workshop with the school nursing team. Some of our Y6 children will meet a representative from Nexus travel because they have heard about the metro on our wall mural and want to see it in real life.



Looking ahead to Friday 21st February it will be a non-uniform day for a £1 donation to school funds. I invite all the children (and parents too) to 'express yourself in dress'. This will be a chance to celebrate your individual style as well as your cultural heritage. It will be a lovely to celebrate the rich diversity in our school family.

Parent Governor: Here is a message from Susan Mulholland who has held the role of parent governor:

My time as a parent governor was very rewarding. It gave me an insight into the decisions that were being made, how targets are set and the plan to meet them, and the pressures that the headteacher and her staff are under. Your role as a parent governor is like that of the other governors, you are there to support, advise and to challenge. It's important to remember that you're not there as a spokesperson for all of the other parents (that would be too much for anyone!) but you can offer your perspective as a parent, which is a very valuable voice around that table. The governing board is made up of people with a range of different skills and you are part of that so you might find that your work or life experience can make a meaningful contribution; for me it was about my expertise around creativity and writing and looking out for ways I could bring new opportunities for the children into school. It will be different for everyone. Like any voluntary role, this is an opportunity to give something back, and there are perks too! I've been on trips to Nissan, Newcastle Cathedral, Hancock Museum, Custom's House as well as getting a chance to spend time in school with every year group and feeling like a celebrity when you walk across the yard because the children all know who you are. That's the bit I'll miss most, being part of this community; I hope whoever is next enjoys it as much as I have.

All interested parents can collect a Nomination Form from the school office or print the attached letter.



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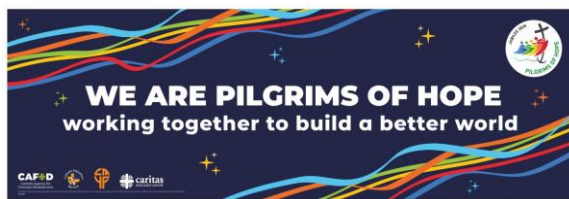


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Attendance: Our class attendance figures for this week are:

YN	YR	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
95.1%	97.6%	95.7%	100%	98.5%	96.9%	92.4%	94.1%

A message from the Poverty Proofing, Communities, Early Years, Arts & Culture team: They are working with Gateshead Libraries to understand how communities access and engage with Gateshead libraries. They would like to hear from parents so may visit school at home time to meet you and have a chat. They also ask if you would complete [this survey](#). Thank you.

WhatsApp: Please see the attached information with handy hints on how to get the best out of class group chats on WhatsApp.

Have a good weekend everyone and see you on Monday.

With kind regards,

M Robinson

Headteacher

Your Eco Committee says: Take a trip to the local library rather than buying new books each time.



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