



Dear Parents/Carers,

Quite a busy week in school and I know we're all pleased to finally have SATs done and dusted! Y6 have been consistently fabulous this week showing their resilience and determination, arriving each day with smiles on their faces. It's been quite a week for staff as well, as you can imagine, but was lovely to receive some wonderful 'sweet treats' delivered to our staff room yesterday by our Chair of Governors, Ronnie, baked by his own fair hands. Needless to say, we were very grateful! They were delicious.

It was great to hear the success of Hexham Celtic football club who won the cup last night! Champions! We're especially proud as four of their players are our very own Alfie, Liam, Dan and Harry. Well done, boys!

We're hoping Miss Pearson 'breaks a leg' this weekend, and are wishing her the best of luck, as she performs in her role as Mrs Fox at the Queen's Hall in their new performance of, 'Fantastic Mr Fox'!

Think we'll all appreciate a good rest this weekend.

Enjoy!

Lindsay Hamilton



Attendance this week:

91.5%

Thank you! We really appreciate all your efforts in getting to school on time, ready to start our day promptly.

Did you know...?



Attendance	Description	Approx. days lost per year	Approx. weeks lost per year
98 – 100%	Excellent	0 to 4	Less than 1
95 – 98%	Good	5 to 9	1 to 2
93 – 95%	Satisfactory	10 to 13	2 to 3
90 – 93%	Unsatisfactory	14 to 19	4 to 6
>90%	Persistent Absence	More than 19	More than 4

The government expects your child's attendance to be 95% or better.

Schools are held to account for your child's attendance.

Please remember holidays in term time will be unauthorised.



Fabulous Fractions!

Year 5 pupils have been really successful in finding fractions this week. We celebrated by finding chocolate fractions - for some reason the children were particularly motivated in this lesson!



History Workshops



We were pleased to welcome John Sadler into school for the second time this year to deliver his history workshops.

With Year 8 we looked at the history of slavery and the civil rights movement in America. Year 5 looked at the comparison between Anglo-Saxon and Mayan life, while Year 7 looked in greater depth at the notoriety of the Border Reivers.

Pupils definitely left the workshops with greater knowledge and an appreciation of past peoples and civilisations.

Thank you, John!



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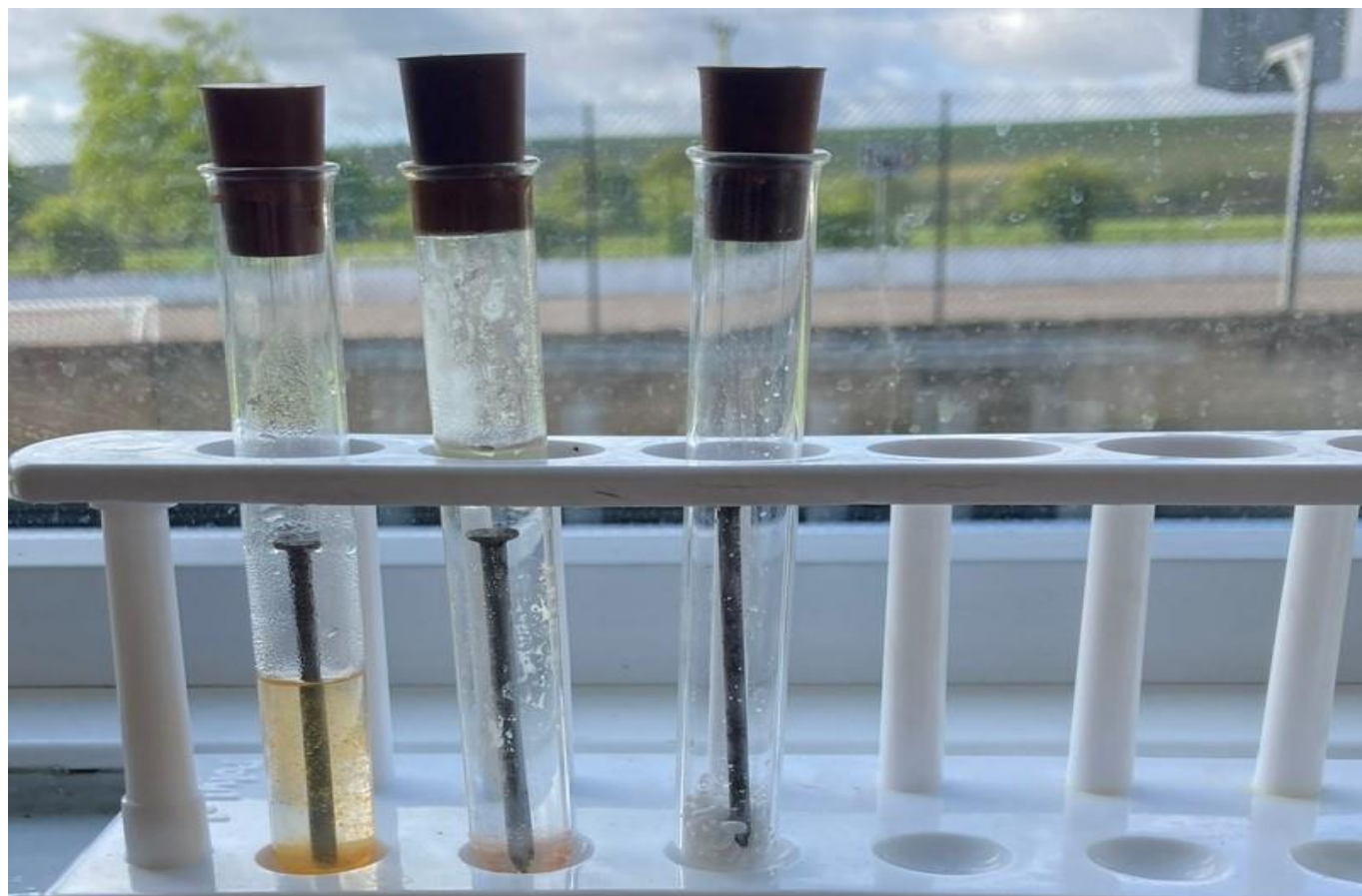


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Chemistry

In Chemistry, Year 8 have been investigating the conditions required for iron nails to rust. Over the next week, they will observe the way each nail reacts to its environment.





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6.15PM - 8PM

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Dates for your diary

Monday 16 th May	Y7 Poetry Day – The Sill
Tuesday 17 th May	Newcastle University STEM workshops – Y6, Y7, Y8
Wednesday 18 th May	Y8 Poetry Day – The Sill
Tuesday 24 th May	KS2 residential visit leaves – 7am
Wednesday 25 th May	KS3 visit – The Sill – Competition awards event
Friday 27 th May	KS2 residential visit returns – 6pm
Friday 27 th May	School closes for half term
Monday 6 th June	School opens
Wednesday 8 th June	Safety Works Visit, Newcastle, Y5 & Y6
Wednesday 8 th June	Newcastle University Science workshop – Y7 & Y8
Thursday 9 th June	Safety Works Visit, Newcastle, Y7 & Y8
Friday 10 th June	Athletics, Wentworth Centre, Hexham