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Weekly Information / Reminder Email - Wednesday 15th October 2025

Dear parents and carers,
I have collated some information / reminders below

National Online Safety

Please find attached the latest 'Wake Up Wednesday' guide for parents and schools.

These weekly guides are also available on our website [click here](#)

Puffin Books - Safeguarding alert

All schools have received the following alert regarding some of the books that your children may be reading at home.

As a school, we have taken steps to remove these books and we are asking that you check the books that you have at home by the author Andy Cope.

The children's publisher Puffin has issued an alert regarding books authored by Andy Cope including those in the Spy Dogs, Spy Cats, and Spy Pup series.

Within the books, there is a link which encourages children to find out about additional information told during the story. The link is intended to take children to Mr Cope's webpage, however the domain is no longer owned by him and instead the link will direct children to a webpage now owned by a third party. This third party is publishing pornographic content. There is no suggestion that Puffin or Mr Cope are responsible for the pornographic materials, and the content of the actual stories are fine to read, however if any children access the link with the intent to learn more about the story online they will be exposed to highly inappropriate materials.

Puffin has paused sales, and libraries and retailers have removed these books from their shelves until further notice.

Harvest Festival Donations

Please bring donations for our Harvest Appeal to the school office by the morning of Friday 17th October.

Hipsburn PTA Event - Festival of Light - Fri 24th Oct

Please see poster attached

Hipsburn PTA Raffle

Members of the PTA will be selling raffle tickets for the Christmas Jolly at the Harvest Festivals next week, tickets are £1, cash only please'.

Alnwick Class Only



Please letter attached from Northumberland Gazette regarding their special supplement 'School Starters'

Trident Soccer- If your child would like to join Trident soccer club next half term, please see the attached form which includes all of the relevant details.

Signposting

- 15% discount School Uniform - My Clothing, please see flyer attached
- Northumberland Parent Carer Forum - Local offer live event for parents of children with SEND
- U6 football - Longhoughton Rangers - poster attached

Kind regards,
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