



Welcome to our April newsletter 2024

## Headteacher Message

Welcome back, I hope you have all had a wonderful Easter holiday with your families. It has been lovely watching the children play outside in the sunshine today. Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped with our Geography field trips this week. We really appreciate you giving your time. 'That History Bloke' has been in visiting Year 3 today and it was our Year 4 last drumming session earlier in the week.

During this liturgical season of Eastertime, please keep Deacon John Hawthorne who died in the holidays and his family in your prayers.

Have a lovely weekend with your families. Mrs Nealings



### St Charles' is ranked top school in North East

Well done to all of the children and staff. This year we were the top school in the North East and 31<sup>st</sup> in the country in the Times Parent Power top 500 schools. This is a huge achievement and although we have been in the top 500 many times, this is our first time as number 1 in the North East.

We are delighted at the academic achievement the children make in our school. Our curriculum is designed to prepare children for the next stage in their education but to also provide a wide range of experiences and opportunities for our children.



### Year 6 SATS information for parents

Children in Key Stage 2 are assessed using NFER assessments throughout the Key Stage and in May they complete the national curriculum tests.

[Information for parents: 2024 national curriculum tests at the end of key stage 2 \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://www.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/100000/information-for-parents-2024-national-curriculum-tests-at-the-end-of-key-stage-2)

### Year 2 Assessment information for parents

Children in Key Stage 1 are assessed regularly using the NFER assessments and the optional national curriculum assessments SATS at the end of Year 2.

[Information for parents: optional national curriculum tests at the end of key stage 1 from 2024 \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://www.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/100000/information-for-parents-optional-national-curriculum-tests-at-the-end-of-key-stage-1-from-2024)

*"Together we follow Jesus in our living and learning"*

*"Jesus is alive! We know he is alive for we have seen him" (based on Acts 2:32)*