



Winlaton West Lane Community Primary School Newsletter

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'We reach for the stars'



Dear Parents and Carers,

A very HAPPY EASTER to everyone from all of us! I hope you have a good break over the holidays and we return to more Spring/Summer-like weather! It's been another busy term, made even more hectic by the school being shut for three days! Much learning has taken place, there have been many trips and lots of sporting and music events!

SPORT RELIEF – Scooting, tennis, gymnastics, football with a tennis ball, running – it's all been happening at WEST LANE today! We are a sporty lot and there is some real talent in our school. Thank you for supporting SPORT RELIEF at West Lane. The money that Sport Relief raised last year has made a massive impact – **It has treated over 900,000 people across Africa with anti-malarial drugs; helped over 3.4 million people in Africa through maternal, neonatal and child health funding; helped more than 50,000 people, in the UK, living with a mental health problem.** So a worthy cause.

FR. TOM – It was with real sadness that we said goodbye to Fr Tom at our Easter assembly. He is moving to the Durham diocese next week. He has been a tremendous support to our school as our local Vicar and as a Governor. We wish him and his family well, he will definitely be a big miss.

TIMES TABLES – nothing to do over the holidays? **LEARN YOUR TABLES INSIDE OUT AND BACKWARDS WITH YOUR CHILDREN!** We are having a massive push on tables next half term. So much of Maths is based around knowledge of tables! Use **TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS**, children should know their logins. Plus a reminder to Year 6s, get onto **READING PLUS!** It's making a huge difference!



SATS for both Year 2 and Year 6 will take place next half term. KS2 timetable:

Monday 14th May English Paper 1: Spag Short Answer Questions and spelling

Tuesday 15th May English Paper 2 READING

Weds 16th May Maths Paper 1: Arithmetic Maths Paper 1 Reasoning Maths Paper 2

Thursday 17th May Reasoning Maths Paper 3

Friday 18th May BEAMISH trip for Year 6!!!

Year 2s SATs will also take place in late May early June but they are not timetabled like Year 6. Obviously this coming term is extremely important for all children for new learning and embedding and consolidating old learning so that they have the best possible chance to do well in the tests.

TERM TIME HOLIDAYS – I cannot authorise term time holidays and our school strongly advises parents about the negative effects of missing school, not just on the child but on the teacher and the rest of the class. I was teaching Year 3 division the other day and one child had to go out to read for literally 10 minutes, by the time he came back the rest of the class had got it, but he didn't have a clue (obviously I explained it to him!). It really showed me (and the class) just what you can miss and never catch up on, if you're away for a long period of time. 96% attendance is based on giving children leeway to be ill it doesn't allow for holidays. Please think twice about taking your child out of school for holidays.

ATTENDANCE – WELL DONE Year 2 Elder, you won attendance again! Fantastic! Also thank you to the 100-plus children who have been in school everyday since September. There has been much determination in this not luck, with so many of you! Well done to **Ella Mae H, Kara L, Mason W, Josh R, Lilly Mae B and Mikaela H** who were on the 29 day attendance challenge and have been in 100%, your teachers can see a massive difference! Keep it up. Also well done to **Connor W, Layla S and Amelia C** who only missed one day.

Have an Egg-cellent Easter holiday everyone!

Mrs Tetley



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REMINDERS.

Year 6 leavers hoodies to be ordered by Wed 18th April.

KS2 SATs are week commencing 14th May 2018.

Year 6 trip to Beamish has been rearranged to Friday 18th May.

Year 6 boosters will be back after school on Monday 16th April running until Tuesday 8th May.

There are **NO After School Clubs** the week we return to school. A text message will be sent confirming your child's place by Friday 20th April.

For the summer term Year 5 will no longer have swimming on a Wednesday. Children must bring their PE kits in on Wednesdays.

Year 6 will now have swimming on a Wednesday. Please remember swim kits including towel and goggles.

Nursery & Reception. Consent forms and payment must be handed in before their trip to Hall Hill Farm on Wednesday 18th April.

Toddler group will not be open on Wednesday 18th April.

Other News

Branches Out of School

@ The Winlaton Centre

Are holding an

Easter Holiday Club

Tuesday 3rd April 2018 to Friday 6th April 2018

↳ Monday 9th April to Friday 13th April 2018

8.30am to 4.30pm

Only £12.00 per child per day

Huge selection of Toys + Games
 Easter Egg Hunt
 Arts + Crafts
 Sports + Outdoor play
 Chocolate treats + Sweets
 Plus Lots, Lots More!

Open to all children aged 3 to 11 years inclusive

A packed lunch is required each day

Snacks, Juice and Fresh Fruit is available

Places are limited, Booking is essential.

Please contact Branches Out of School on 07486 990419 or call in



Easter Egg Competition Winners!

Year 1 Holly Jayden Emma Bobby	Year 1 Chestnut Raine Riley S Isaiah
Year 2 Elder Naomi Lexie Georgia	Year 2 Poplar Millie Harry Millie
Year 3 Elm Ava Charley Summer	Year 3 Rowan Olivia Owen Jessica W
Year 4 Beech Tiffany Lauren Charlisa	Year 4 Aspen Isabel M Elaina Jack
Year 5 Birch Alice Layla Rebecca	Year 5 Lime Hannah Sarah Mia
Year 6 Oak Laia Layna Molly	Year 6 Ash George Mia Chloe



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Weekly Class Percentage Attendance 26.03.18–29.03.18

Congratulations to Chestnut & Elder for 100% attendance
 Our attendance target is 96%.

Rec Hazel	98
Rec Willow	93
Y1 Chestnut	100
Y1 Holly	96
Y2 Poplar	99
Y2 Elder	100
Y3 Elm	83
Y3 Rowan	95
Y4 Beech	96
Y4 Aspen	99
Y5 Birch	91
Y5 Lime	98
Y6 Ash	99
Y6 Oak	97

Our longest journey



Star of the week

Nursery Berries	Lloyd for being kind to his friends and for improved behaviour.
Rec Willow	Tyler for independent sentence writing.
Rec Hazel	James for enthusiasm in reading & writing & making great progress.
Y1 Chestnut	Isabella for great improvement in attitude to work.
Y1 Holly	Bobby for his huge improvement in attitude in class.
Y2 Poplar	Evie for wonderful progress and improved writing.
Y2 Elder	Patrick for improving in all areas and being kind to his friends.
Y3 Elm	Harry for being a fantastic friend. Good luck in your new school.
Y3 Rowan	Owen for challenging himself and working hard.
Y4 Beech	Jayden for brilliant progress in maths!
Y4 Aspen	Ryan for great transformation in work and becoming more mature.
Y5 Birch	Bailey for always using initiative and outstanding progress!
Y5 Lime	Libby for great progress and smashing assessments.
Y6 Ash	Alisha for growing independence skills.
Y6 Oak	Owen for huge increase in confidence!