



# Wolsingham Primary Newsletter

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## Class 6 Visit to Weardale Railway

Class 6 were lucky enough to have a trip on the Weardale Heritage Railway on a 1950s train this week. They were accompanied by the local PCSOs, Jamie and Cameron, who discussed rail safety with the children. The class also completed a task set by Durham Wildlife Trust - identifying a buzzard and a jackdaw while en route from Wolsingham to Stanhope.



## Handball Team Event

Our House Team event this half term was Handball. On Thursday, all of the children from Year 1 to Year 6 played in an intra-house event. All of the children did a super job and worked hard in their house teams to score as many goals as possible. The results of the event were as follows:

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|-------------------------------|-------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> – 1000 points | Blue Team   |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 750 points  | Yellow Team |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 500 points  | Red Team    |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> – 250 points  | Green Team  |

All of the children have worked hard over the half term to earn points for their house team and this half terms winners were the **Yellow Team**!



## Class Dojo 100% Awards

Congratulations to the **154** pupils who received their 100% Green Dojo Award for consistently behaving in line with the school code of conduct and working hard this half term! Each child has earned 5 points for their team

## Extra-Curricular Activities

The email regarding our extra-curricular activities taking place in the second half of the autumn term will go out at the beginning of the next half term. We would like to remind parents that these are extra-curricular activities providing experiences to broaden our children's experiences and not childcare. We would also like to express the importance of ensuring that the activity is something that your child would like to attend as we have a lot of children who do not attend each week. We would also be grateful if parents would contact the school directly if your child no longer wishes to attend an extra-curricular activity or is unable to attend for any reason so that we can make the adult running the club aware.

## Autumn 2 Swimming

After the half term, Class 5 will continue to go swimming on Tuesday afternoons and Class 4 will be swimming on a Friday morning. As they will set off at 8.50am for their swimming session, please ensure that children in Class 4 are in school promptly on that day along with their kit (swimming costume, towel and swimming hat). We also need some help walking the children to and from their swimming lesson on a Friday morning. If you are able to help, please contact the school office - we would be very grateful for the help.

## Halloween Dress Up Day

As the first Monday back after the half term break is Halloween, we are inviting all of our children to come to school on that day in their Halloween costumes.

## Flu Immunisation Programme

Earlier this week, parents of children from Reception to Year 6 should have received an email with a letter attached regarding the Flu Immunisation Programme. The immunisation team will be in school on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November. We would be grateful if you could log on to the online form and complete the relevant information before Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November, even if you do not wish your child to be immunised.

## Free Swimming Sessions

Free swimming is once again available in the October Half Term and further information is available here: <https://www.durham.gov.uk/freeswimming>

Ahead of the school holidays, DCC want to remind everyone about good hygiene at their swimming pools and leisure venues. Please make sure you wash your hands and shower before using the pools. If you have been unwell, particularly with a tummy bug, please don't use the pool for at least 48 hours. If you have been diagnosed with cryptosporidiosis you should not use swimming pools for **14 days** after symptoms have resolved.

## Parent Governor Vacancy

We currently have vacancies for two parent governors.

All parents other than those employed at the school for more than 500 hours per year or who are elected members of the Local Authority (LA) are eligible to stand for election. This includes:

- parents of children attending nursery either full-time or part-time
- any person who is not the natural parent but has parental responsibility for or who has care of a pupil registered at the school (Education Act 1996, Section 576)

If you are interested in becoming a Governor please complete the nomination form attached to this email.

The completed and duly signed nomination form should be returned to school by **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2022**.

Where the number of nominations is equal to, or fewer than, the places available, no ballot will be necessary. Any remaining vacancies will be appointed by our Governing Body. Should a ballot be required each parent will be sent a voting form. When the process has been finalised school will inform the parent body via email. School and Governor Support Service will write formally to all nominees confirming the outcome of the ballot.

## Dates for your diary...

|                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| School Closes for Half Term  | Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October                        |
| School Opens                 | Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October                        |
| Halloween Dress Up Day       | Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October                        |
| Nursery Halloween Party      | Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October                        |
| Y3-4 Cross Country Festival  | Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> November                       |
| Nursery Rhyme Week           | Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> November   |
| Nursery Rhyme Dress Up Day   | Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> November                       |
| Parent Teacher Consultations | Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> and Wed 16 <sup>th</sup> November |
| Children in Need             | Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November                       |
| Class 4 Assembly             | Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> November                     |
| Flu Immunisations            | Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> November                       |
| Odd Sock Day                 | Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> November                       |
| Christmas Jumper Day         | Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December                        |

*S. Kitching*

Headteacher

# This Week's Winners

## Star of the Week

- Class 1 – Arthur
- Class 2 – Emmi-Leigh
- Class 3 – Matilda
- Class 4 – Karmen
- Class 5 – Rory
- Class 6 – Amie

## Class Dojo VIP

- Class 1 – George S
- Class 2 – Tom CW
- Class 3 – William B
- Class 4 – Lara
- Class 5 – Poppy
- Class 6 – Ginny

## Top Spellers

- Class 2 – Finlay
- Class 3 – George
- Class 4 – Mason
- Class 5 – Morgan S
- Class 6 – Ricky

## Shed Score League

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Class 6 – 329,837,834
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Class 5 – 104,099,834
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Class 3 – 81,447,623
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Class 4 – 39,588,682
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Class 2 - 3,383,664

## Highest Earners

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Mason Year 4
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Lilly Year 6
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Ricky Year 6

## Most Improved

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Poppy Year 5
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Rory Year 5
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Xander Year 4

## Highest Earners

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Summer Year 3
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Jaxsyn Year 1
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Matilda Year 2

## Highest Accuracy

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Frankie Year 1
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Roman Year 3
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Mollie Year 1