



# Wolsingham Primary Newsletter

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## How Are We Performing?

We are delighted with our results this year. On behalf of the governors of the school, we would like to say thank you to both the pupils and staff for their hard work and dedication to teaching and learning.

### EYFS

This year, 65% of our Reception children achieved a Good Level of Development.

### Year 1 Phonics Check Results

This year, 100% of our Year 1 children passed the phonics check.

### Key Stage 1 SATs Results

This year's Key Stage 1 results were as follows:

	School
Reading	85%
Writing	70%
Maths	93%

### Key Stage 2 SATs Results

This year's Key Stage 2 results were as follows:

	Met the expected standard		Average Scaled Score	
	School	National	School	National
Reading	89%	73%	108	105
Writing	79%	71%	N/A	N/A
English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling	84%	72%	109	105
Maths	79%	73%	107	104
Reading, Writing and Maths	79%	59%	N/A	N/A

## Sports Day

It was lovely to see so many parents and relatives at our sports day events this week. Luckily, we only had a short shower during the Key Stage 2 event and all of the children put in a tremendous effort. The results of sports day were as follows:

Key Stage 1	Yellow Team
Key Stage 2	Yellow Team
Overall	Yellow Team

## Class 5 Visit to Killhope Lead Mining Museum

This year, Class 5 have been working with different artists to produce some artwork to be displayed at Killhope Lead Mining Museum. In the spring term, they worked closely with Richard Bliss, who is a textile artist, and Sylvan Skills, who worked with the children to create willow pieces which would contribute to a giant squirrel structure. On Monday, the class were invited to Killhope to see the artwork which had been installed in the museum. They were also lucky enough to venture into the mine and have a go on the Washer Floor to find their own galena which was what was mined at Killhope. A huge thank you to the Killhope Arts Project for allowing us to participate in the project this year and for Killhope for hosting us. The children had a fantastic time.

## Class 3 Visit to Raby Deer Park

Class 3 had a wonderful time this week on their visit to Raby Deer Park and The Plotters' Forest. They were lucky enough to see the deer including some of the babies and one of the stags. They had a great time racing around the adventure playground and completing a scavenger hunt in the forest.

## EYFS Pirate Day

On Friday we had a pirate fun day in our early years. Reception and Nursery children joined together, dressed in their finest pirate costumes and beach wear. They took part in lots of activities including walk the plank, splat the pirate, build a pirate ship, pin the patch on the pirate, making telescopes, drawing jolly roger flags and a treasure hunt to find the hidden treasure. They finished off the morning with a pirate feast and a water balloon cannon shoot.

## Thank You Friends of the School

We would like to say a huge thank you to Friends of the School who have donated £4,000 to the school to purchase a new interactive panel for the Reception classroom. They have also funded copies of the Class 6 photograph for our Year 6 leavers and the Stockeld Park gift voucher as the prize for our Memorial Competition.

## End of Year Celebration Assembly

Once again we will be holding our end of year celebration assembly at St. Mary and St. Stephen's Church on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July. Parents of award winners will be informed prior to the event so that they can be there to see the presentation if they wish. We do ask parents not to tell their child prior to the event that they have won an award as we like it to be a surprise. In between the awards being given out, each class will perform their end of year song. The assembly will begin at 10am and last approximately 1 -1 ½ hours. Parents are very welcome to join us, however seats in the church are limited.

## Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

Our Year 6 Leavers' Assembly will take place at 2pm on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July in the school hall. Year 6 pupils are able to invite up to two members of their family to join us for this assembly which is also attended by the whole school. During this assembly, we say goodbye to our Year 6 pupils, present our alternative awards 'Paterson's Prefects', watch a film of memories and ask the children to sing their leavers' song one last time.

## Reading Books

Ready for the end of the school year and so that we can audit our school reading books, we would like to request that all reading books are returned to school by **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July**. We would also like to take this opportunity to ask parents to have a good look at home for **any** books belonging to school and ask that these also be returned.

## Lunch Charges and Outstanding Payments

From September the cost of a school lunch will rise to £2.50 for children in Nursery and from Year 3 – Year 6. School meals will remain free for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. As it is approaching the end of the school year, please can any outstanding payments to school for lunches and wrap around care be settled by **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July**. Thank you.

## Free Cricket Summer Camp

Darren Brown who often comes into school to run cricket coaching with our children is running a free cricket camp at Stanhope Barrington primary school during the summer holidays for children in Year 3 to Year 6. The sessions will run on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> August 9.30am-12.30pm and food will be provided. Please find the booking link below. The free voucher code is AA9ERB.

<https://ecb.clubspark.uk/Dynamos/BookCourse/8e58f54d-dba4-4e4c-a83e-7571c55b71a7>

## Dates for your diary...

Move Up Morning	Wednesday 19th July
End of Year Celebration Assembly	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July – 10am
Year 6 Leavers' Assembly	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July – 2pm
School Closes	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July

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Headteacher

## School Holiday and Term Dates 2023/24

<b>Holiday</b>	<b>Closing Date</b>	<b>School Opens</b>
Summer Break	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2023	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2023
Autumn Half-Term	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November 2023
Christmas Break	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2024
Spring Half-Term	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2024
Easter Break	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
May Day	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2024	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2024
Summer Half-Term	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2024
Summer Break	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	To be confirmed

# This Week's Winners

## Star of the Week

Class 1 – George R.  
Class 2 – Thomas E.  
Class 3 – Calum  
Class 4 – Karmen  
Class 5 – Francesca  
Class 6 – Hubert

## Class Dojo VIP

Class 1 – Freya S.  
Class 2 – Mollie  
Class 3 – William R.  
Class 4 – Harry P.  
Class 5 – James  
Class 6 – Phoebe

## Top Spellers

Class 2 – Edward  
Class 3 – Calum  
Class 4 – Bentley  
Class 5 – Jack  
Class 6 – Ricky

## Shed Score League

1<sup>st</sup> – Class 6 – 219,807,951  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Class 3 – 156,520,396  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Class 5 – 95,361,794  
4<sup>th</sup> – Class 4 – 16,844,498  
5<sup>th</sup> – Class 2 – 7,792,318

## Highest Earners

1<sup>st</sup> – Jack Year 5  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Ben Year 5  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Xander Year 4

## Most Improved

1<sup>st</sup> – Chester Year 4  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Beau Year 4  
3<sup>rd</sup> – James Year 4

## Highest Earners

1<sup>st</sup> – Jaxsyn Year 1  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Edward Year 2  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Tom CW Year 1

## Highest Accuracy

1<sup>st</sup> – Jaxsyn Year 1 & Evelyn Reception  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Tom CW Year 1  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Edward Year 2