



Wolsingham Primary Newsletter

10th October 2023

Volume 9

www.wolsingham-pri.durham.sch.uk

Happy Retirement Mrs Crinnion!!

Today we said a fond farewell to Mrs Crinnion. She has worked at the school for over 30 years and supported so many children, parents and staff during her time at Wolsingham Primary School. She has been an incredible asset to our school and will be very much missed. We hope that she takes with her fond memories of us all and enjoys her very well-deserved retirement. We hope that she will pop back into school from time to time to visit us. We'll miss you Mrs Crinnion!

Mrs Crinnion would like to thank everyone for their gifts and kind wishes for her retirement.

Class 4 Stone Age Day

Class 4 thoroughly enjoyed their Stone Age day this week. It was amazing to see lots of the children dressed up and getting into the spirit of the day, Mrs Parsons and Mrs Fletcher were glad not to be the only ones! Our guest Archaeologist, Mark, did a wonderful workshop with the children (lots of artefacts, drama and props!) and he was very impressed with the quality of the questions being asked by the children to further their learning and understanding of the period. They finally managed to finish making their stone axe models which should have come home with the children this week - hopefully in one piece!

Cross Country Competition

A huge well done to all of our cross country runners for their massive efforts today at Staindrop Academy. The course was extremely muddy, had been extended and the competition was fierce with 172 children taking part in each race. All of the children who took part did a fantastic job and we had some individual success with Olivia coming 2nd in the Year 3/4 girls race, Calum coming 1st and George coming 2nd in the Year 3/4 boys race and Xander coming in 3rd place in the Year 5/6 boys race. They will all be going on to compete in the county finals later in the academic year. A massive achievement well done!

Year 1 and 2 Intra-house Multiskills Festival

A huge well done to our Year 1 and 2 children who took part in their colour teams in an intra-house multiskills festival. The children worked extremely hard to work together to earn as many points as they could using their balancing, dribbling, throwing and kicking skills.

1 st	Yellow – 481 points
2 nd	Green – 415 points
3 rd	Blue – 413 points
4 th	Red – 394 points



Odd Sock Day

On Monday 13th November, we are celebrating Anti-Bullying Week by inviting the children to come to school wearing odd socks. It is a great way to celebrate what makes us all unique!!

Nursery Rhyme Week

Next week we will be celebrating Nursery Rhyme Week. Each class from Nursery to Year 6 will be carrying out work in their literacy or English lessons around one particular nursery rhyme. The staff and children will also be working hard to create a display of their work in the school hall.



Children in Need

On Friday 17th November we will be celebrating and raising funds for Children In Need. Children are invited to pay £1 to come to school wearing spotty clothing. Cakes and biscuits will also be on sale during the day. In the afternoon, the school council have organised Pudsey Bear themed table-top games for the children to enjoy. There will be a small charge for each game and the children could win a prize. We would be grateful if children could bring money in small denomination coins (10p, 20p, 50p) to take part. All monies raised will be donated to Children in Need.

New Communications Provider

From Monday 20th November, we will no longer be using Teachers2Parents for our communications. All bulk emails and text messages will come from our Arbor system, so you may notice a change in number that the text message comes from. Emails will come from wolsinghamprimary@durhamlearning.net. We are currently setting up and learning how the system works for the Arbor parent portal and app and when we are confident we can show you how it works, we will provide you with access to it.

School Car Park

We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents that the school car park is for the use of school staff and school visitors only. We would be grateful if parents would not use the car park to drop off or pick up children from school, including for Breakfast Club or from After School Club as this hinders staff entering and exiting the car park.



Mobile Phones

The following website provides useful information for parents and carers about children using mobile phones safely. Click on the following link to find out more: <https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers/phones>

Dates for your diary...

Odd Socks Day	Monday 13 th November
Nursery Rhyme Week	Monday 13 th – Friday 17 th November
Parent Teacher Consultations Class 1, 2, 3 and 6	Monday 13 th and Wednesday 15 th November
Parent Teacher Consultations - Class 4	Mon 13 th and Tues 14 th November
Parent Teacher Consultations - Class 5	Mon 13 th , Tues 14 th and Wed 15 th November
Children In Need	Friday 17 th November
Class 5 Assembly	Wednesday 29 th November
EYFS Pantomime Visit	Tuesday 5 th December
Christmas Lunch / Christmas Jumper Day	Friday 8 th December
EYFS Nativity	Tuesday 12 th December 10.30am
KS1 Christmas Production	Wednesday 13 th December 10am and 5pm
KS2 Carol Service	Thursday 14 th December 2pm
Christmas Fair	Friday 15 th December 3.30pm - 5.30pm
EYFS Christmas Party	Monday 18 th December am
KS1 Christmas Party	Monday 18 th December pm
Y3/4 Christmas Party	Tuesday 19 th December am
Y5/6 Christmas Party	Tuesday 19 th December pm
School Closes for Christmas Break	Tuesday 19 th December
School Reopens	Thursday 4 th January

S. Kitching

Headteacher

This Week's Winners

Star of the Week

Class 1 – Jessica
Class 2 – Taylor
Class 3 – Caroline
Class 4 – Lillie
Class 5 – Bea
Class 6 – Euan

Class Dojo VIP

Class 1 – Alannah
Class 2 – Tom
Class 3 – Mollie
Class 4 – Joe
Class 5 – Karmen
Class 6 – Gabriel

Top Spellers

Class 3 – Jaxsyn
Class 4 – George
Class 5 – James
Class 6 – Drew

Shed Score League

1st – Class 6 – 107,457,808
2nd – Class 4 – 16,881,210
3rd – Class 5 – 5,223,652
4th – Class 3 – 3,213,246

Highest Earners

1st – Libby Year 6
2nd – James Year 5
3rd – Morgan Year 6

Most Improved

1st – Bea Year 4
2nd – Morgan Year 6
3rd – Beau Year 5

Highest Earners

1st – Joshua Year 1
2nd – Freya S Year 1
3rd – Tom Year 1

Highest Accuracy

1st – George R Year 1
2nd – Mollie Year 2
3rd – Evelyn Year 1