



Wolsingham Primary Newsletter

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Attendance

Our average attendance so far this year is **95.9%**. Well done to Class 6 who are our Awesome Attenders this week!

Attendance this week	
Class 1	93.53%
Class 2	96.47%
Class 3	95.0%
Class 4	95.15%
Class 5	96.76%
Class 6	99.2%

How Are We Performing?

We are absolutely 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, 88% 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.

Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check Results

This year, our mean average score was 22.03 and 34.4% achieved full marks.

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	88%	75%	106	106
Writing	84%	72%	N/A	N/A
English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling	84%	73%	106	105
Maths	88%	74%	105	105
Reading, Writing and Maths	76%	62%	N/A	N/A

Sports Day

It was lovely to see so many parents and relatives at our sports day events. Thank you so much for braving the hot weather! The results of sports day were as follows:

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

2025 House Team Winners

This week was the last week for our children to earn team points. We have added all of the points each team has received across the year and are delighted to announce that this year's overall house team winners are the **Yellow Team** – a huge congratulations to them! Hopefully, the weather will be fine next week and they can enjoy their time on Thursday afternoon with a trip to the park and a delicious ice cream.

1 st	Yellow Team
2 nd	Green Team
3 rd	Blue Team
4 th	Red Team

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 14th 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.

Outstanding Payments

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 21st July**. Thank you.

Mrs Redfern Memorial Competition

This week, each child should have come home with a competition entry form for our Mrs Redfern Memorial Competition to win a £125 voucher for Stockeld Park, Wetherby. Where's Nigel? – the children need to find Nigel in the Where's Wally style picture and put a circle around him. Entries need to be completed and returned to their class teacher by Thursday 18th July. All of the correct entries will be put into a draw and the winner will be announced at our end of year Celebration Assembly at St. Mary and St. Stephen's Church on Friday 18th July.

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 18th July. Parents of award winners will have been 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 **2.15pm** on Friday 18th 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.



Your feedback from our parental questionnaire informs our school development plans and future initiatives. We would be very grateful if you could take the time to complete it using the QR code.

Uniform and PE Kit

Before the holiday and before parents go out to buy new school uniform, we would like to remind parents of our expectation of school uniform and PE kit.

The Wolsingham Primary School Uniform is as follows:

- Grey or black school trousers (**NOT** jogging trousers or leggings)/ tailored shorts/ skirt/ pinafore dress
- White shirt or polo shirt
- Burgundy sweatshirt or cardigan, preferably with the school logo
- Black shoes (**NOT** trainers or boots)

Boots may be worn to come to school in the winter months, however children must change into their black school shoes whilst in school.

For indoor and summer outdoor PE, our PE kit is as follows:

- White or plain team colour Tee Shirt
- Black / Navy / Burgundy shorts
- Trainers

Please note: Colourful sportswear and football kits are **NOT** allowed.

For winter outdoor PE only, our PE kit is as follows:

- Black or Navy Tracksuits and trainers

Please note that all children must have their PE kit in school and we suggest that children bring it into school at the beginning of a half term and take it home at the end of the half term. Please can we also remind parents that all children **MUST** have a water bottle in school every day. We will contact parents where children are not wearing the correct uniform or PE kit to request that this be rectified.

Jewellery

A reminder that for health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exception to this rule are earring studs in pierced ears and wrist watches. Parents should note that if they intend to have a child's ears pierced this needs to be carried out at the beginning of the summer holidays to allow time for ears to heal.

Hair Accessories

This year we have updated our Uniform Policy to include information about hair accessories. Please see the extract from our policy below:

All hair accessories should be for the sole purpose of tying long hair away from the face to enable pupils to see clearly, concentrate on their learning in the classroom and for health and safety reasons during PE activities. Hair accessories are deemed to be items such as hair bobbles, hair clips and headbands. All hair accessories should be red, maroon or black in colour and should coordinate with the school uniform. Staff may ask pupils to remove any items which are worn on the head or in the hair which are not specifically for the purpose of keeping long hair away from the face; do not compliment the school uniform and/or are causing pupils to be distracted from their learning.

Wolsingham Show 2025

Arts & Crafts – Saturday September 6th

Horticultural – Sunday September 7th

Your child should have come home with the advanced juvenile schedule for both the **Arts & Crafts** and **Horticultural** sections of the show. Hopefully this gives you plenty of time to decide what to enter and collect any materials you may need. The full schedule for adults and juveniles is available on the show website. Children who attend Wolsingham Primary School will be entitled to a Free Entrance Wristband for the Saturday of the show. If your child enters either Arts & Crafts or Horticulture, then the adult bringing them can purchase up to 2 tickets for £7 per person (to be ordered when returning entry form). Please note that the First Aid charge is per family / per section. More information regarding Family Ticket packages can be found at www.wolsinghamshow.co.uk

Dates for your diary...

Year 6 Residential Visit to Robinwood	Monday 14 th – Wednesday 16 th July
End of Year Celebration Assembly	Friday 18 th July 10.00am
Year 6 Leavers' Assembly	Friday 18 th July 2.15pm
School Closes	Friday 18 th July
School Reopens	Wednesday 3 rd September

S. Kitching

Headteacher

School Holiday and Term Dates 2025/26

Holiday	Closing Date	School Opens
Summer Break	Friday 18 th July 2025	Wednesday 3 rd September 2025
Autumn Half-Term	Friday 24 th October 2025	Monday 3 rd November 2025
PD Day	Thursday 27 th November 2025	Monday 1 st December 2025
Christmas Break	Friday 19 th December 2025	Monday 5 th January 2026
Spring Half-Term	Friday 20 th February 2026	Monday 2 nd March 2026
Easter Break	Thursday 2 nd April 2026	Monday 20 th April 2026
May Day	Friday 1 st May 2026	Tuesday 5 th May 2026
Summer Half-Term	Friday 22 nd May 2026	Monday 1 st June 2026
Summer Break	Friday 17 th July 2026	Wednesday 2 nd September 2026

This Week's Winners

Star of the Week

Class 1 – Scarlett
Class 2 – George
Class 3 – Charlotte
Class 4 – Summer
Class 5 – Euan
Class 6 – Everyone

Class Dojo VIP

Class 1 – Scarlett
Class 2 – Tamzin
Class 3 – Freya
Class 4 – Maverick
Class 5 – Matilda
Class 6 – Beau

Top Spellers

Class 3 – Joshua
Class 4 – Cooper
Class 5 – Zac
Class 6 – Bentley

Shed Score League

1st – Class 5 – 90,931,497
2nd – Class 4 – 49,894,148
3rd – Class 6 – 33,179,040
4th – Class 3 – 24,234,891

Highest Earners

1st – Finlay Year 4
2nd – Maverick Year 4
3rd – Zac Year 4

Most Improved

1st – Falyn Year 4
2nd – Lily-Rose Year 5
3rd – Isaac Year 4

Highest Earners

1st – Mia Year 2
2nd – Tom Year 2
3rd – Ted Year 2

Highest Accuracy

1st – Oban, Logan, Freya S
& India Year 2
2nd – Evie Year 1
3rd – Tom Year 2