



Wolsingham Primary Newsletter

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The end of another school year...

We have had a lovely end to our school year, being joined by family and friends in our end of year celebrations – it was wonderful that so many of you were able to join us! All of our pupils have once again made good progress and done very well. As always, they have displayed great resilience and we are incredibly proud of each and every one of them. On behalf of the pupils, parents and governors of the school, I would like to say a massive thank you to all of the staff at Wolsingham Primary, who have all worked incredibly hard this year. We would like to also say a huge thank you to parents and families for their continued support. On a very emotional day, we say goodbye to our Year 6 pupils, Miss Cook and Mrs Thompson. We send them all our best wishes for the future.



Congratulations Miss Newman!

We are delighted to announce that Miss Newman's baby, Daisy, arrived safely on Thursday afternoon. We are sure that you will join us in congratulating her and her partner on their new arrival.

Celebration Assembly

We were delighted that the children could come together for our Celebration and Leavers' Assembly. It was lovely to see all of the children, family and friends together in one place - it was a lovely way to end the year. Congratulations to all of our award winners this year, they were very well deserved!

Nursery Star of the Year Award	Reggie Fearn Leonard Bardsley
Progress Awards	Jacob Bromley Orla Megahy Mia Armstrong Frankie Fearn Finlay Sriwiang Jakson Salmon Leon Dixon
Achievement Awards	Olivia Bowron Noah Armstrong Tom Stockwell Ruby Hodgson Georgia Ashton Chloe-Ann Bell Oliver Ayre
Sporting Award	Morgan Sriwiang
Mrs Meek Arts Award sponsored by The Angel Trust	Logan Saunter
Residential Award	Karmen Scott
Attendance Award	Aoife Padmore Tamzin Brabin-Hawes George Sanderson Willow Saunter Holly Wilson
Contribution to School Life Award	Evelyn Alliston-Godding Corinne Palombella
The Mrs Davis Star Award	George Scown Pippa Marshall
The Gladys Holliday Centenary Shield for Progress	Mason Thompson
The Gladys Holliday Centenary Shield for Achievement	James McAlister
Pupil Overall Performance Award	Bentley Britton

Year 6 Residential Visit to Robinwood

A fantastic time was had by all those who went to Robinwood this week. They all demonstrated some excellent teamwork and resilience skills and our Year 6 children supported each other extremely well. A big thank you to Mr Paterson and Mrs Fletcher for taking them.

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.

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 Parish Church – Teddy Bears' Picnic

If you go down to the church today you're sure of a big surprise. For every bear that ever there was will gather there for certain because **Wednesday 13th August** from 10.30am – 12pm is the day that the teddy bears will have their picnic. So go along with your teddy bear, Paddington Bear, Winnie the Pooh, in fact any bear and take an adult with you for a family session with story and crafts in the church, led by Francine and Carole. Bring a picnic for you, the bear and your grown-up to share. Tea, Coffee and squash will be provided,

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...

School Closes	Friday 18 th July
School Opens	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