



Wolsingham Primary Newsletter

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Year 6 Handball Festival

Class 6 attended a handball festival at Parkside Academy this week. The aim of this fast paced game was to pass the ball and shoot into the goal but you are only allowed 3 steps and 3 seconds with the ball. Class 6 entered four teams of seven players, two competing in an "A" league and two in a "B" league. Our yellow team in the "A" league comfortably won all 6 of their matches, winning their league overall. It was a great competition for Wolsingham as one of our teams triumphed overall in the "B" league too. Well done Class 6!

Recorder Lessons

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Unwin back in school this year. Class 5 have already had their first lesson learning the basics of holding the recorder and developing their rhythm skills. If any of Class 5 have their own recorder at home, we would be grateful if they could be brought into school for the lessons which will be held on Tuesday afternoons.

Music Lessons

Music lessons are available for Key Stage 2 pupils from Durham Music Service. Lessons take place during school time. If your child would like to learn an instrument such as the violin or clarinet, find out more about how the lessons work, prices and how to sign up at www.durhammusic.org.uk/signup.

Meet the Teacher Night – including information about Statutory Assessments

Parents and carers of children in Years 1-6 are warmly invited to our 'Meet the Teacher Night' on **Monday 18th September at 5.00pm**. Teachers will be explaining class procedures and providing important information where appropriate about statutory assessments such as the Year 1 phonics check, Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check, KS2 SATs and the Accelerated Reader programme for Year 2. The meeting should last no longer than half an hour and is for **parents and carers only**; please try and attend if you can. We look forward to seeing you!



Cauliflower Cards

Friends of the School are taking part in the Cauliflower Christmas Project fundraising event again this year. The children have been busy creating their Christmas card designs and these will be sent home in the next week or so if you haven't already received them. All of

the instructions to order Christmas cards, wrapping paper, gift tags, mugs etc. are on the piece of paper that comes along with your child's design. If you would like to place an order, please make sure that you have ordered your cards online before returning the design back to the class teacher by **Friday 13th October**. Thank you.

Applying for a school place for next year

Applications for primary and secondary places opened on Tuesday 5th September. Applications close at midnight on 15th January 2024 (primary) and 31st October 2023 (secondary). Find out more: <https://www.durham.gov.uk/schooladmissions>. We will be holding an Open Event for any parents of children due to start primary school in September 2024 later in the half term. Please keep an eye out for more details and encourage anyone you know with children of Nursery age to come along to have a look around and find out more about our school.

Baby Massage Classes 0-12 Months

Wildflower Therapies are running a 5 week course starting on Wednesday 1st November on baby massage at the St. Anne's Centre in Wolsingham. Sessions take place from 10am until 11am. Pre-booking is required by emailing wildflowertherapies1@gmail.com.

Dates for your diary...

Year 1-Year 6 Meet the Teacher Evening	Monday 18 th September
RWInc. Meeting for Reception Parents	Thursday 21 st September
Year 5 Bikeability	Mon 2 nd – Thurs 5 th October
Year 4 Bikeability	Friday 6 th October
Year 2 Kurling and Boccia Festival	Tuesday 3 rd October
Class 6 Assembly	Wednesday 11 th October 10.30am
EYFS Halloween Craft Sessions	Thursday 26 th October Nurs am / Rec pm
Halloween Dress Up Day	Friday 27 th October
School Closes	Friday 27 th October
School Opens	Monday 6 th November

S. Kitching

Headteacher

This Week's Winners

Star of the Week

Class 1 – Charlie
Class 2 – Charlotte
Class 3 – Cora
Class 4 – Alexandra
Class 5 – Rafe
Class 6 – Carlton

Class Dojo VIP

Class 2 – Ted
Class 3 – Sophia
Class 4 – Emmi
Class 5 – Bentley
Class 6 – Drew

Top Spellers

Class 3 – Alyssa R
Class 4 – Dillan G
Class 5 – Bea A
Class 6 – Zach A

Shed Score League

1st – Class 6 – 258,302,794
2nd – Class 4 – 63,883,857
3rd – Class 5 – 29,961,855
4th – Class 3 – 3,908,934

Highest Earners

1st – Ben E Year 5
2nd – Xander B Year 5
3rd – Morgan S Year 5

Most Improved

1st – Rafe B Year 4
2nd – Freya M Year 5
3rd – Oliver A Year 5

Highest Earners

1st – Jaxsyn W Year 2
2nd – Joshua LH Year 1
3rd – Freya S Year 1

Highest Accuracy

1st – Tom CW Year 2 & Evelyn AG Year 1
2nd – Freya S Year 1
3rd – Mollie B Year 2