

WEST END PRIMARY SCHOOL

Yes I Can!



Our School

**January
2025**

Happy New Year and welcome back!

We hope you had a wonderful break. The children have all come back enthusiastically and have made a great start to the new year.

We have lots of lovely things planned for the Spring term and we look forward to sharing them with you.

We are working in partnership with Bedlington Family Hub. Look out for more information coming to you soon on what they offer.

Mrs J Dey
Headteacher



Northern Lights host a coffee morning at 9:30 on a Monday at Weatherspoons for parents of children with SEN. All welcome.

Shout outs!

Celebrating excellence across school

Top table (children showing lovely manners at lunchtime): **tables 10, 7 and 1**

Attendance (the class with the best attendance that week): **Hazel, Beech & Rowan.**

Staff (the staff member who deserves recognition): **Miss Maddison for going above and beyond to ensure the wrap around provision is exciting and nurturing for all children.**

Safeguarding

Social Media Age Restrictions

Under 13 (with parental consent)	13 +	16+	18+	18 (13 with parental permission)
 GoBubble	 Facebook	 WhatsApp	 Meow Chat	 flickr
 PopJam	 Instagram	 Telegram	 Meet Me	 YouTube
 GRAM SOCIAL	 Tumbler		 Tinder	 Spotify
	 Twitter			
	 skype			
	 iTunes			
	 Pinterest			
	 MyLOL			
	 Wink			
	 Snapchat			
	 TikTok			
	 reddit			
	 askfm			
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Safeguarding message



Mrs Waters
DDSL



Mrs McLeod
DDSL



Mrs Dey
DSL



Miss Maddison
DDSL



Mr Chapman
Safeguarding
Governor

Child neglect is the most common form of child abuse in the UK and robs children of their childhood. As [Action for Children](#) note, "When an adult doesn't support them it means they can be unsafe, unhealthy, unloved and uncared for."

If you have concerns, contact one of the team above or Northumberland Social Services: 01670 536400.

Domestic Abuse

Every day, children and young people experience domestic abuse at home and can suffer a wide range of severe and long-lasting effects. Witnessing domestic violence can have a profound direct and/or indirect impact on children and young people. In some cases, a child may blame themselves for the abuse or may have had to leave the family home as a result.

What is your child witnessing?

Attendance Target 96% +

Beech	Sycamore	Hazel	Oak
93%	93%	96%	93%
Chestnut	Elm	Rowan	Cedar
95%	94%	97%	93%
Whole school			
94%			

Being in school is important to your child's academic achievement, wellbeing, and wider development.

There is evidence to suggest that regular school attendance is a key mechanism to support children and young people's educational, economic and social outcomes.

Well done Rowan class – our best attenders!

Important Upcoming Events to Note:

Wellbeing week – week beginning 10th February

Parents evenings – 2nd & 9th April

Reception Stay and Play:

Thursday 20th February @ 9am

Thursday 10th April @ 9am

Thursday 22nd May @ 9am

Thursday 12th June @9am

Class assemblies:

Y2 – March 21st @ 9am

Y4 – April 10th @ 9am

Y3 – May 22nd @ 9am

Y5 – May 23rd @ 9am

Reception – June 26th @ 9am

Nursery – July 2nd @ 9am

Y1 – July 4th @ 9am

Y6 – July 16th @ 2pm

Clothes Bank

We are working in partnership with the Clothes Bank at Hope Church Bedlington. They accept children's uniform, fancy dress, Christmas jumpers and clothing in good condition.



Opening hours

Friday 25 October – school closes for Autumn half term

Monday 4 November – school opens for all

Thursday 19 December – school closes for End of Autumn

Tuesday 7 January – school opens for children

Friday 21 February – school closes for Spring half term

Monday 3 March – school opens for all

Friday 11 April – school closes for Spring end of term

Monday 28 April – school opens for all

Monday 5 May – closed for bank holiday

Friday 23 May – school closes for Summer half term

Monday 2 June – school opens for all

Friday 6 June – school closed to children for teacher training

Friday 18 July – school closes for Summer end of term

Diary Dates

Monday 10 February – wellbeing week

Friday 14 February – Y4 trip to Stephenson Steam Railway

Tuesday 18- February Y4 local walk

Wednesday 19 February – PTFA Bake sale

Thursday 20 February – Y1 jobs day

Monday 3 March – Writing week

Friday 7 March – Parents in for writing week event

Wednesday 12 March – Y6 Lego League competition

Friday 21 March - Y2 class assembly @ 9am

Wednesday 26 March – Y4 residential to Robinwood

Wednesday 2 & 9 April – Parents evenings

Thursday 10 April – Y4 class assembly @ 9am

Monday 12 May – Y6 SATs week

Monday 19 May – Y1 Alnwick Castle trip

Wednesday 21 May – Y6 residential to Edinburgh

Thursday 22 May – Y3 class assembly @ 9am & Egyptian day

Friday 23 May – Y5 class assembly @ 9am

Friday 20 June – Whole school Big Gig – sounds of the 70s day

Monday 23 June – wellbeing week

Thursday 26 June – Reception class assembly @ 9am

Wednesday 2 July – Nursery class assembly @ 9am

Friday 4 July – Y1 class assembly @ 9am

Wednesday 9 July – Y6 leavers' play to parents @5pm

Wednesday 16 July – Y6 leavers assembly to parents @2pm

Apple class Nursery

Nursery children
have enjoyed
celebrating
Chinese New
Year and
exploring Winter.



Beech class Reception

Reception have enjoyed being detectives when they discovered a wolf had been in their classroom. They have really enjoyed PE too.



Sycamore class

Y1

Year 1 children have enjoyed making fruit sprinkles, going on a local walk with parents and helpers for Geography and they love their friendly alien Beegu.



Hazel class Y2

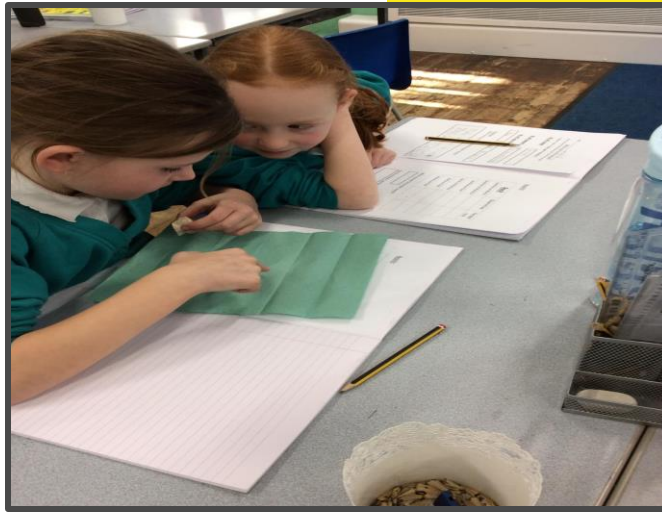


Year 2 children have enjoyed exploring materials that change and learning about verbs using puppets.



Oak class Y3

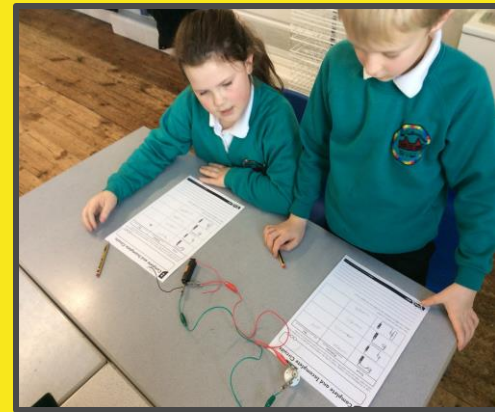
Year 3 have enjoyed being scientists to discover the best rock for Fred Flintstone's steps. They have also enjoyed gymnastics.



Chestnut & Elm class

Y4

Chestnut and Elm class have enjoyed an introduction to Lego Engineering, division in maths, electricity in Science and creating art work in the style of William Morris.



Rowan class

Y5

Rowan class have enjoyed their marble in the jar reward, learning about the features of newspapers and PE.



Cedar class

Y6

Year 6 have enjoyed making blood smoothies, PE and a great trip to Safety Works to learn some important out of school safety lessons.



Wrap Around Care The Den!

Our wrap around provision continues to grow. There are so many lovely things for your child to do with us. The children loved Chinese New Year and their Dragon project and they always enjoy the crafts and weekly cooking club. The children love coming!

Open from 7:30am to 6pm.
Please book through the school office



Voice of the School Council

The school council continue to work on organising playground games and equipment for playtimes.

They are thinking about how they can raise money to make playtime and lunchtime even better with even more equipment.

All things PTFA

A very big thank you to the parents who volunteer to support the PTFA as well as the PTFA members. Because of you and the kind donations from our lovely parents the Year 5 & 6 children are going to watch the Station Academy perform Mary Poppins.

The PTFA need volunteers in order to continue their great work. If you can spare any time at all please get in touch. Each year the money raised goes back into school to provide extra special things for your children.

Thanks to your generosity at events the PTFA are on the way to raising the £3000 needed for the whole school to attend a pantomime and for early years to have a pantomime visit them in 2025.

Bake Sale coming soon Thank you for all your kind donations – every bit helps!
