



WEST END PRIMARY SCHOOL

Yes I Can!



Our School

**November
2024**

We have had another great month here at West End!

We had a special rather large bear visitor this month and the children were overjoyed at meeting him. Our wonderful PTFA organised a fabulous Fun Day which everyone enjoyed. Bolam House enjoyed their party and the children thoroughly enjoyed wellbeing week. Anti-bullying week was a great success and the children went all out with their odd socks.

A big thank you to everyone who joined us at the Remembrance Parade in Bedlington. As always it was a great turn out.

Thank you for all the Children in Need donations. We raised £213.83 in total.

Miss Ward
Headteacher



In order to avoid any confusion, over whether the headteacher has changed, the next newsletter will be the last signed off as Miss Ward. I am getting married at the end of December so in the new year I will be Mrs Dey.

Shout outs!
























Celebrating excellence across school

Top table (children showing lovely manners at lunchtime): **tables 4,1 and 7**
Attendance (the class with the best attendance that week): **Rowan, Chestnut,
Hazel & Beech.**

Staff (the staff member who deserves recognition): ***Mrs Michelle Waters, Mrs Brenda Wilson & Mrs Claire Peacock who gave up time with their families on a weekend to support the children in the Remembrance parade.***

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	 Twitter		 Tinder	 Spotify
	 skype			
	 iTunes			
	 Pinterest			
	 MyLOL			
	 Wink			
	 Snapchat			
	 TikTok			
	 reddit			
	 ASKfm			
		17+		

Safeguarding message



Mrs Waters
DSL



Mrs McLeod
DSL



Miss Ward
DSL



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
92.2%	92.8%	96.1%	93%
Chestnut	Elm	Rowan	Cedar
95.8%	94.3%	96.8%	93.5%
Whole school			
94.3%			

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:

Walking Nativity on our school yard

Nativity performances across school

Christmas parties across school

Christmas Jumper and dinner day

Visits to see Pantomimes – KS1 & KS2

Tiddlywinks visits into school for EYFS

A visit from the man in red

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 2 December – EYFS Winter Wonderland visit to school

Monday 9 December – Walking Nativity visiting school

Wednesday 11 December – Y1 & 2 Nativity @ 9:15am /11am

Wednesday 11 December – Y5 & 6 Carols by Candlelight @ 4pm

Thursday 12 December – Y1 & 2 Nativity @ 9:15am

Thursday 12 December – Christmas Jumper and dinner day

Friday 13 December Y1 & 2 Panto

Friday 13 December Y3 & Y4 Nativity performance @ 9:15 and 2pm

Monday 16 December – Man in red visiting school

Tuesday 17 December – Reception Nativity @ 9:30/ 2pm

Tuesday 17 December – Y5 & 6 Christmas Party

Wednesday 18 December – Y3, 4 & 5 Panto

Wednesday 18 December – Nursey Nativity @ 9:15

Wednesday 18 December - Reception, Y1, Y2 & Y4 Christmas Party

Wednesday 18 December – Y6 Panto

Thursday 19 December – Y3 Christmas party

Thursday 19 December – Nursery Christmas party

Monday 6 January – school closed for training day

Monday 3 March – Writing week

Wednesday 26 March – Y4 residential to Robinwood

Monday 31 March – wellbeing week

Wednesday 21 May – Y6 residential to Edinburgh

Apple class Nursery

Nursery children have enjoyed making firework pictures using different materials. Learning all about Divali and practising pouring.



Beech class Reception

Reception have enjoyed a visit from Pudsey, making Pudsey related pictures and learning all about Children in Need.



Sycamore class

Y1

Year 1 children have enjoyed the visit from Pudsey and wearing odd socks for anti bullying week.



Hazel class

Y2

Year 2 children have enjoyed Children in Need day and all the lovely activities. They were excellent at the Remembrance service and really represented the school well.



Oak class Y3

Year 3 have enjoyed the skipping festival, a visit from Pudsey and learning to country dance.



Chestnut & Elm class

Y4

Chestnut and Elm class have enjoyed a visit from Pudsey and they really loved the Winter Fun Day that the PTFA organised.



Rowan class

Y5

Rowan class have enjoyed a visit from Pudsey and doing Children in Need activities.



Cedar class Y6

Year 6 have enjoyed having a visit from Pudsey, wearing odd socks for anti-bullying week and were a real asset to the school at the Remembrance Service in Bedlington.



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 the fabulous Spa night and they always enjoy the weekly cooking and craft 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 have been working on organising playground games and equipment for playtimes.

They have decided on which equipment will be used which day and have made posters to inform the whole school.

They have also been looking at creating a questions and suggestions book for each class so the they really can get the whole class views to take to meetings.

What a great start!

All things PTFA

A very big thank you to the parents who volunteered to work the Winter Fun Day. It was a wonderful event and the children thoroughly enjoyed it as always!

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.

Thank you for all your kind donations – every bit helps!

