

# Newsletter

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#### **Dear Parents and Carers**

On behalf of all the staff I would like to wish children, parents, carers, grandparents, volunteers and extended members of our school community a restful, and safe, summer break. We have had another very successful, busy year and we hope to have created more happy, lifelong memories for our wonderful children.

We look forward to welcoming you back to school on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024**. Gate will open at 8.30am.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kindest Regards,

Mrs Hawes



#### **JULY BIRTHDAYS**

Happy Birthday to all children celebrating their special day! We hope you have a lovely day with family and friends.

Class 2	Emelia	
Class 3	Jace, Evie	
Class 4	Joey, Ollie, Ruby, Toby and Max	

### **AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

Nursery	Olive and Charlie	
Class 1	Daniel, Eddie and Sam	
Class 2	Amelie and Indy	
Class 3	Maya	
Class 4	Beatrice, Jessica and Oliver	





# **TERM DATES - END OF TERM**

SCHOOL CLOSES AT 3.10PM ON TUESDAY 23<sup>TH</sup> JULY

Please remember there is no Night Owls on this date.

After School Club for <u>all</u> children will end at 4.10pm.

Late fees will apply for late pick up.

#### SAFEGUARDING REMINDERS

If you have worries/concerns about a pupil, please don't hesitate to speak to one of the people named below, in confidence.

Mrs. S. Hawes is the Designated Safeguarding Lead. (DSL)
Mrs. J. Whitehill and Mrs S. Gunston are the Deputy DSLs
Mrs. V. Morrow is our Safeguarding Governor.

#### PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

Thank you to all parents and carers who registered their interest in becoming a parent governor. The diversity of skills and experience offered was phenomenal. After votes were independently verified, we are pleased to announce that Mrs Jacques, mum of Elise and Morgan, was duly elected.

Mrs Jacques will begin her governor induction in September.

# **ALADDIN PERFORMANCE**

A huge thank you to all the parents, carers and grandparents who attended Class 4's performance of Aladdin. The children worked so hard putting the performance together; learning their lines, practising songs, making props and arranging their costumes.



We are so proud of how well the children did and hope you thoroughly enjoyed the show too. A special thank you must go to Mr Wilcox and Mrs Robson who supported the children in a short time frame to produce such a wonderful show which was thoroughly enjoyed by all.



#### **NURSERY GRADUATION**

On Wednesday we held our Nursery Graduation. We spent time celebrating all the children's achievements in Nursery.





We would like to thank all parents/carers for your continued support. We wish all pupils the very best as they move into their reception classes and continue their education journey. Good luck to those children leaving Wolviston and starting their new school, we will miss you.

#### **PRINCE REGENT STREET TRUST - SPORTS**



Y6 pupils really enjoyed taking part in the second annual Trust Games. Children participated in teams consisting of children from different schools. Events included relay, howler, hurdles, egg and spoon and long jump.

We were even fortunate to have a visit, and receive some words of encouragement, from Olympians Richard Kilty and Dovilé Kilty.

We wish them both the best of luck at the summer Olympics.



#### SCHOOL ATTENDANCE - June 2024

Attendance and punctuality are **really** important. Children who attend school **on time** and **every day** are far more likely to achieve their maximum potential.

We monitor statutory attendance and categorise as follows:

Blue - 100% Green - 96.1% - 99%

Amber - 93.1% - 96% Red - below 93%

Class 1 - YR 95.44%

Class 2 - Y1/2 94.12%

Class 3 - Y3/4 94.1%

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Class 4 - Y5/6 95.95%
Whole School 94.36%

The school gate is opened from 8.30 – 8.40am. This is to reduce congestion entering school. Children are expected to be in school, seated at their desk, ready for learning by 8.40am, not arriving.

Children have told us that they do not like arriving late to school.

We closely monitor children who are late to school. Where necessary, the Educational Welfare officer will contact parents/carers to support punctuality and attendance.

Reminder: Holidays in Term Time will not be authorised Fines will be issued. School does not receive money raised from fines, money goes directly to the local authority.

#### **SUMMER FAYRE**

A huge thank you to all who supported our Annual Summer Fayre. Through your generosity we raised a staggering £1200.22 As a small school, with a small budget, your kind and generous support will make such a difference to the children. Thank you to all who came.

# **CLASS ORGANISATION FOR 2024-25**

	Mrs Salvin	Nursery
Reception (PE: Mon/Wed)	Mrs Gunston	Class 1
Year 1/2 (PE: Mon/Wed)	Miss Robson	Class 2
Year 3/4 (PE: Tues/Thur)	Mrs Whitehill	Class 3
Year 5/6 (PE: Tues/Thur)	Mr Wilcox	Class 4

#### **TRANSITION**

All children have taken part in a range of transition activities. This includes visits to their new class, meeting class mates and spending time with staff who will teach & support them next year.

# STAFF WELLBEING GARDEN PROJECT



# TESCO

We are excited to announce that we are partnering with Tesco on a special project to create a staff well-being garden. I'm sure all parents and carers would agree that collectively, the staff at Wolviston Primary go above and beyond and play a crucial role in shaping our children's futures. Their well-being is essential for maintaining a positive and

productive learning environment.

A well-being garden will provide our teachers with a serene space to relax and recharge, promoting their mental and physical health. This initiative aims to support our dedicated staff, ensuring they have the necessary resources to continue

Our project will be put forward to a customer vote. (Tesco: Billingham, Stockton Extra, Norton and Billingham Bypass)

delivering the best education for our children.

Voting has begun and the campaign will run until the end of Sept '24. The winning project will receive funding, up to £1000, which we will use to buy seating, plants and bird feeders.

Your support in this project is greatly appreciated!

# **OUTDOOR DEFRIBRILLATOR**

With enormous thanks to our very generous parents, carers and extended school community, we have managed to raise enough funds to purchase and install an outdoor defibrillator.



A proportion of the Summer Fair total has made this possible.

# **EXTENDED WRAP AROUND CARE OFFER**

From September 2024, we will be able to offer extended child care to all Wolviston Pupils. 7.40am to 6pm.

We have listened carefully to parent and carer feedback and we are changing how places are booked. We have a new system which will allow parents to make their own bookings in advance. We appreciate that many of our parents work shifts and block booking has not always worked for them. A detailed letter, explaining the new system and charges will be emailed to parents shortly.

Mrs Henry and Miss Hosie will continue to lead Breakfast Club and Miss Dodds and Mrs Henry will continue to lead After School Club.

# **Y6 LEAVERS ASSEMBLY**



On Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July we said 'goodbye' to the Class of 2024 with their Leavers' Assembly. The children shared memories and photographs from their journey throughout Wolviston Primary. They gave out their own set of awards and the special Learning, Caring and Succeeding awards were presented by Mrs Hawes and Mr Thirlaway to worthy winners.

Small School Big Dreams: Learning, Caring, Succeeding... Together

We wish all our Year 6 children well as they move on to Northfield.







# **Y3/4 LEARNING TOGETHER - FRENCH CAFÉ**



We enjoyed planning for our French cafe. We shared some of the French we have learned to speak this year and some of the songs we have learned to sing. We enjoyed taking orders, serving food and getting some tips! Merci



















#### **EARRINGS - A POLITE REMINDER**

Please remember that earrings are **not** permitted to be worn at school. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in adhering to this policy which aims to keep children safe.

# **ORIENTEERING & OUTDOOR LEARNING**

Parents and carers may have noticed some signs around the school site. These 'markers' have recently been installed to provide orienteering and additional outdoor learning opportunities for children across school. Staff have worked and trained with Enrich Education recently and already children have accessed the resources and maps provided.





# **SCHOOL GAMES - GOLD AWARD ACHIEVED**



With thanks to Mr Wilcox and Miss Robson (PE Coach) Wolviston Primary School has achieved the

Schools Games Award for another year. Not only have they successfully met all criteria, we have reached

GOLD standard!!

Thank you for all your hard work on this undertaking.

# **CHILDREN'S LIBRARIAN VISIT**

Angela Foster our local librarian came into school earlier this month to introduce the **Summer Reading Challenge** to all the children. This year's theme is **Marvellous Makers**.





Angela will be back in school in September to present certificates to those children who complete the challenge.