

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope everyone had a lovely summer break with family and friends. For those returning, we welcome you back and for those just joining our school, we welcome you to our wonderful school community. It is a pleasure being back at school, seeing children working hard and playing with their peers.

Children have settled into routine quickly, and are enjoying their new curriculum topics. Newsletters, detailing your child's learning for the term ahead will be with you shortly, please take time to discuss what exciting things we have planned with your child.

Kindest regards,
Mrs. S. Hawes

DROP OFF - SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT FOR KS1/2

Please can all parents and carers of children in classes 2, 3 and 4 say goodbye to their children at the main school gate.

Due to congestion on the steps, leading to class 2 and class 4, we have had to take this difficult decision to minimise the risk of any falling on the steps. The gate is staffed every day, often by both Mrs Henry and Mrs Hawes, who will see the children safely into class. If you have a message for the teacher, please pass it on to them or to Mrs Robinson in the school office.

Thank you for your support in this new procedure.

HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE

Wednesday 9th October - 9am

St Peter's Church
Wolviston



We look forward to meeting parents and carers at church

HARVEST DONATIONS

This year we are continuing to support the great, and necessary work of our local Foodbank. Since January '24 your kind donations helped to provide food to **1560 adults and 2879 children** in our local community. With demand growing year on year in the foodbank, our help and assistance will be invaluable in providing support to people that need it.

If you are able to help the Foodbank would very much appreciate the following donations:

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| Long Life UHT Milk | Washing up liquid |
| Bottles of squash | Washing capsules |
| Tinned Fish | Toilet Roll |
| Tinned Fruit | Deodorants |
| Tinned Tomatoes | Shampoo |
| Tinned Rice pudding | Shower gel |
| Custard | Coffee |



The foodbank has stressed that they have ample: beans, soup, pasta, tinned meat & cereal. Thank you.

HEAD BOY & HEAD GIRL

The positions of Head Boy and Head Girl are sought after leadership roles within our small school. The majority of our Y6 children took the brave decision to put themselves forward, and applied for one of the positions. Children, and staff, were super impressed with all presentations. Only children are allowed to cast their vote, specially prepared ballot papers are used for the elections.

With votes counted, children excitedly assembled to hear the results. I am delighted to announce that that **Joseph** and **Everly** have been appointed Head Boy and Head Girl and **Edward** and **Robyn** were elected as their deputies. I'm sure that all members of our school community will wish them well in their new leadership roles.



Congratulations, and well done to all children who took part in the election process. Ideas from all presentations were noted, and will be discussed in School Council.

PUPIL LEADER ROLES IN SCHOOL

Other important pupil roles have also been elected by pupils including **School Councillors, Librarians, School Champions, STEM Ambassadors** and our newly named **Wolf Pack** (Playground Buddies). Children who have been selected for a leadership role in school will meet with a nominated member of staff who will support them with their new role.

BAGS AND KEY RINGS/CHARMS

Unfortunately, we have limited space in our classrooms and corridors to store backpacks, rucksacks, or hand bags. Children just need to bring their book bag into school every day. Other bags, including pencil cases, are not needed.

We understand that for identification purposes a named key ring or small charm is a handy method for your child to recognise their school book bag quickly. However, due to the excessive number of key rings and charms on some bags, we must ask all parents to remove any additional key rings and charms. Staff will remove key rings and charms if necessary, which will need to be collected from the school office.

WELCOME ASSEMBLIES FOR PARENTS & CARERS

We were delighted to invite all parents/carers into school to look at your child's workbooks and to hear information about the year ahead. Information shared, by your child's teacher, included details of learning topics, ways to support your child at home and end of year expectations.

If you were unable to join us presentation slides are available on our website

INITIAL TEACHER TRAINING STUDENT

We welcome Miss Grainger to Wolviston Primary. Miss Grainger will be working in Early Years during Autumn and Summer Term in her journey to become a qualified teacher.

Y5/6 TEAM BUILDING AT NORTHFIELD SCHOOL

Class 4 attended a team building event at Northfield that was organised by their Sports Leaders. Completing five different activities, the children worked with real enthusiasm and brilliant cooperation to complete the tasks. Whilst each event was competitive, everyone demonstrated real sportsmanship and was really proud of themselves. The events included passing a hula hoop around a circle without letting go of each other's hands; a version of the floor is lava which involved using hoops as stepping stones, ensuring no one was left behind and carrying a ball with a partner without using your hands. It was a really fun morning and everyone left with a smile on their face.



SWIMMING SUCCESS

Congratulations go to all our Y3/Y4 children who have completed a two-week course of swimming lessons this month. From confidence in water to swimming in shorts and T-shirts, our children exceeded the expectation of the instructors. Certificates were awarded and success celebrated during our celebration assemblies each week.



OUR SCHOOL DAY

A reminder that the school gate opens at **8.30am** and will close at **8.40am**.

Any child arriving at this time will be late for school and will need to be escorted to the school office by their parent or carer so that the reason for lateness can be recorded. Arrival time will be noted, and a late code will be marked into the register. Number of minutes lost to learning will be reported to our Education Welfare officer and presented to parents/carers at the end of each half termly.

VACANCIES IN SCHOOL

We are looking to appoint two part time positions in school. The first is for a **WRAP AROUND CARE ASSISTANT** who will work two 3 x hour shifts per week. Monday and Tuesday afternoons (3pm - 6pm) The successful candidate will work alongside an experienced team member to care for children in our After-School Club. Training will be given.

The second position is for a **LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR** who is able to work full time or part time depending on availability. Please speak to Mrs Robinson if you are interested.

Both positions are subject to enhanced safeguarding checks.

CROSS COUNTY FINALS

Children from across Key Stage 2 represented the school in the Stockton Cross Country finals at Norton Sports Complex. Everyone did brilliantly and it was great to see all the children running with such determination. All the children should be really proud of their finishing places, especially Everly who qualified for the Tees Valley finals.



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to all children celebrating their special day!

We hope you have a lovely day with family and friends.



Nursery	Roman, Freya, Ella, Ruby, Eva and Beatrice
Class 1	Cole and Primrose
Class 2	Lena, William and George
Class 3	William

