


Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to share some **fantastic news** with you all... our recent inspection report has been published. The report highlights many of our strengths, including our commitment to providing a high-quality education, the dedication of our staff, and the positive and nurturing environment we create for our children.

We are especially proud to share that we were judged **Outstanding** in *Personal Development, Behaviour and Attitudes*, and *Early Years*, and **Good** in *Quality of Education* and *Leadership and Management*.



This achievement would not have been possible without the unwavering dedication of our exceptional staff, who consistently go above and beyond to support and inspire our children. Their commitment, passion, and hard work create an environment where every child can thrive, and I am immensely grateful for their efforts. I'm sure you'll join me in extending heartfelt thanks to them all for their continued dedication.

I would also like to express our sincere thanks to our governors and PRST central team for their invaluable support and guidance, and to **you**, our parents and carers, for the vital role you play in our school community. Your involvement, encouragement and partnership mean so much to us all.

And, of course, a very special mention to our amazing children! Their enthusiasm for learning, kindness towards one another, and eagerness to be the best they can be, makes us incredibly proud. We encourage you to take a moment to read the full Ofsted report, which is available [here](#). It is a celebration of everything that makes Wolviston Primary such a special place.

Kindest regards,
Mrs. S. Hawes

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Nursery	Bluebell
Class 1	Finn
Class 2	Dougie, Posy and Heidi
Class 3	Anya and Ava
Class 4	Adam and Mabel



LEAVERS HOODIES

Our Y6 children were presented with their Leavers Hoodies earlier this month. Although excited, this was a poignant moment for them all as their next step to secondary school becomes that little bit closer. Plans for transition are well underway and we look forward to working with colleagues from our partner secondaries to ensure a smooth transition takes place for each child.



COMIC RELIEF

We will be supporting **Red Nose Day** on 21st March, with more details to follow, closer to the time.



SCHOOL IS CLOSED TO CHILDREN: Friday 21st February '25



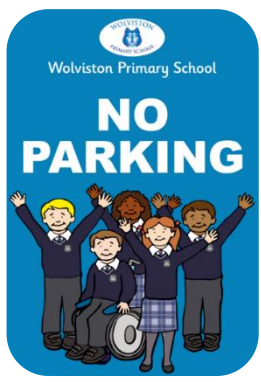
Half Term Break: 24th - 28th February 2025
Spring Term 2: SCHOOL REOPENS Monday 3rd March

EARLY YEARS CELEBRATE CHINESE NEW YEAR

Children in Early Years have been celebrating and learning about the Chinese Lunar New Year through a range of engaging activities centred around the traditions and customs of this special event. They explored the significance of the celebration, taking part in crafts and music inspired by Chinese culture. A highlight of the festivities was the magnificent dragon, created by the children, which proudly paraded through the school, bringing joy and excitement to all.

It was a great opportunity for the children to deepen their understanding of different cultures and take part in a vibrant and meaningful celebration.





PARKING OUTSIDE SCHOOL

To address ongoing issues with vehicles being illegally parked and obstructing residential access on the roads leading onto The Green, we have purchased **No Parking** signs, approved by the council.

Children have written to our closest neighbours to let them know that we are actively working to resolve the issue.

The local enforcement team will be regularly monitoring the area after receiving multiple complaints. **Please share this information with family members who drive to school for drop-off and or pick-up.** Thank you for your co-operation.

CLASS 2 - MOVING ROBOTS

This half term, children in Class 2 have been exploring coding and programming, learning how to give clear instructions to control a robot. They have discovered how commands tell a robot what to do and the importance of direction when moving. The children have learned the difference between forwards and backwards movement and how these commands affect the robot's motion.



Through hands-on activities, children explored different ways a robot can move and predicted what a program will do before running it.

LIBRARY BOOKS - PLEASE RETURN

We kindly ask parents and carers to check at home for any forgotten library books that may need to be returned. Ensuring these books are returned will allow other children the chance to borrow and enjoy them. Thank you!

SAFEGUARDING REMINDERS

If you have worries or 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. **Mrs. J. Whitehill** and **Mrs S. Gunston** are the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads. **Mrs. V. Morrow** is the Safeguarding Governor.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE - JANUARY 2025

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

Nursery	98.28%
Reception	97.50%
Year 1	92.17%
Year 2	95.71%
Year 3	95.94%
Year 4	96.25%
Year 5	95.50%
Year 6	93.39%
Whole School	95.83%

We monitor statutory attendance & categorise as follows:

Blue 100% **Green** 96.1% - 99%
Amber 93.1% - 96% **Red** below 93%

MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

KNOW YOURSELF, GROW YOURSELF



We have been working closely with Alliance Psychology to support our pupils' well-being. With support from Tracey, our support worker, we have been able to deliver engaging sessions across school.

This has helped children to explore their emotions, build self-awareness, and develop strategies for personal growth. Tracey also led a whole-school assembly, encouraging everyone to reflect on their mental well-being and the importance of understanding themselves to achieve personal growth. Our ongoing work to support mental well-being will empower our pupils with tools to support their emotional resilience.



VILLAGE PEN PALS

We are delighted to share that our pupils have begun a heart-warming Pen Pal Scheme, writing letters to elderly residents in the village. This initiative aims to strengthen community ties, foster meaningful friendships, and provide children with the opportunity to connect with different generations. Through their letters, the children are not only developing their writing skills but also bringing joy and companionship to residents who truly appreciate the interaction.

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A huge thank you to everyone involved in making this a success, it's wonderful to see our KS2 children engaging in writing with purpose and making a real difference in our community.



RAIL SAFETY

To help children understand the dangers of rail travel, our school recently joined a rail safety webinar led by industry experts. The session focused on the importance of staying safe near train tracks, highlighting key risks such as trespassing, level crossings, and platform awareness. Through engaging discussions, videos, and real-life scenarios, children learned about the speed and power of trains, the dangers of distractions, and the importance of using designated crossings. They were also encouraged to always follow safety rules when traveling by train. This vital session aimed to equip children with the knowledge to stay safe and make responsible choices around railways.



WORLD BOOK DAY 2025 - 6th MARCH 2025



We are excited to celebrate World Book Day in school, a special occasion to showcase the children's hard work and enthusiasm for literature. We are delighted to invite parents and carers into school to hear the children recite rhymes and poetry and to share a story together. Early Years children will perform their poem during their Family Read sessions.

Poetry Recital Times

Class 2 - 2.10pm, Class 3 - 2.20pm, Class 4 - 2.30pm

SAFER INTERNET DAY



Safer Internet Day in school is a valuable opportunity for all children to learn about staying safe online. Through our assembly, led by our **STEM AMBASSADORS**, children

explored topics like privacy, cyberbullying, and responsible internet use. Encouraging digital awareness empowers children to navigate the online world safely and make smart, informed choices.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

We're excited to announce a fantastic lineup of after-school club activities for next half term. Children can get creative with Arts and Crafts, stay active on **Mondays** and **Thursdays** with Miss Robson. Or try something new with our partners...

[Yarm Martial Arts Academy.](#)

MARTIAL ARTS CLUB: Additional Sessions Due to Popular Demand

We have received overwhelming interest in our Martial Arts After-School Club, and due to its popularity, we will be running additional sessions in the Summer term. To ensure as many children as possible can take part, sessions will be split by age:

- **Children in Class 1 and Class 2** can now book sessions running from **Wednesday 5th March to 9th April, 3:10pm - 4:10pm.** (Full payment (£33) is required to secure the booking)
- **Children in Class 3 and Class 4** will have the opportunity to attend after May half term. Further details will be shared nearer the time.



The club will be led by Yarm Martial Arts Academy, and we must adhere to their guidelines. Therefore, children must be in Class 1 or above to attend. Qualified instructors will lead the sessions, supported by Mrs Henry. Ms Hosie will supervise children who are not taking part, ensuring they engage in age-appropriate activities.

Thank you for your understanding. These fun and engaging clubs are a great way for children to try new skills and enjoy their time.

EARLY YEARS - FAMILY READ

We are pleased to offer Family Read Sessions every fortnight for parents and carers of children in Reception and Nursery. These sessions provide a wonderful opportunity for families to come together and enjoy reading in a relaxed environment.



Parents, carers and children can explore a variety of stories, and there's also time to meet other families in the school community. During these sessions, we model effective reading techniques, helping parents to engage with their children and build their confidence in reading at home.

MUSIC PROVISION



This term the children in Y3/4 are receiving keyboard tuition from a specialist teacher, Mrs Clatworthy, from Tees Valley Music Service (TVMS). This exciting opportunity allows children to learn a new instrument under expert guidance, helping them develop musical skills, coordination and confidence. The sessions are engaging and enjoyable, and the children are making great progress. This additional provision is fully funded by the school to enrich our music curriculum and provide valuable learning experiences.



Coffee Mornings

Come along and enjoy a warm cuppa and slice of cake!

It's the perfect opportunity to get together, have a chat with our friendly team, and make new friends. We can't wait to see you there!

- **Billingham** – Wednesdays 9:30am to 11am, 8 January, 12 February, 19 March
- **Redhill** – Tuesdays 1:30pm to 3pm, 14 January, 18 February, 18 March
- **Stockton** – Tuesdays 9am to 10:30am, 14 January, 18 February, 18 March
- **Thornaby** – Thursdays 10am to 11:30am, 16 January, 20 February, 20 March

Call or chat to the team for more information.

