



What's On at West

growing future stars

This Week in School

'Little Stars' Baby and Toddler Group: Thank you to all who came to the group last week. We had 16 Little Stars who all had great fun, and lots of smiling mums and dads too. If you have friends with little ones, please let them know about the group. We open the doors about 8.40am for healthy snacks before the session which starts properly at 9am. Everyone welcome, £2 per child.

Thank you to all who have donated toys and equipment. This is very much appreciated.

Robinwood: Thank you to those parents who are continuing to make payments towards this visit or who have already paid for the trip in full. We now need to pay the final balance to Robinwood Activity Centre; if you still have an outstanding balance to pay; please make this payment by the end of this month – 31st January 2018 to ensure your child does not lose their place on the trip. You can pay by Schoolcomms, cheque payable to **WISE ACADEMIES** or cash. Please contact the school office if you are unsure how much you owe or if you have a problem paying off your balance.

Appointments During School Time: We realise that sometimes it is not possible to schedule hospital appointments for children outside of school hours, however I am concerned at the number of children who are being taken out of school during the day for various reasons and missing lessons as a result. To be very clear, 'routine' GP, dental, and optician appointments should always be made outside of school hours. Where an appointment is needed in an emergency, this will be recorded as unauthorised unless the school receives proof of the appointment in the form of a signed letter or appointment card. Parents should be aware that our attendance and safeguarding policies require us to keep a record of all instances of absence from school, including who notified the school of the appointment and when, what the appointment was for and the evidence seen. Thank you in advance for your support with this matter.

Holiday Dates: A list of holiday dates and teacher training dates for years 2017-18 and 2018-19 is attached. Please note, these holiday dates apply only to our own school and parents with children at other local schools should seek clarification of dates from them.

Class 4: Miss Gray is still unable to teach the children due to her knee injury. Our risk assessment processes will not allow her into the classroom, or to be responsible for her class whilst she is still on crutches. She has an appointment next week with specialists who we hope will be able to advise us further. During this time the class will continue to be taught by Mr Swan.

Coming Up

Good Luck to our Sports Teams: Good luck to our gymnastics team who are competing tomorrow afternoon at Wentworth. Unfortunately, parents are unable to attend this event. Good luck also to the Football Team for their match on Monday.

Harry Potter Book Day: Get ready to share the magic! Harry Potter Book Day is coming to Prudhoe West on **Thursday 1st February 2018**. Fans of all ages will be celebrating J.K Rowling's wonderful series – and passing the magic on to young readers who are yet to discover these unforgettable books. For 2018, the thrilling theme is Fantastic Beasts and the children are invited to dress up as their favourite wizard or beast for a day of literacy based magic.

Sponsored Spellarama: In order to raise money to buy some more fantastic books for our reading scheme, the children will also be encouraged to take part in our Harry Potter sponsored Spellarama. Each year group will be given a list of spells for them to learn and a sponsorship form to keep a record of their donations. Correctly cast spells can be rewarded with a small donation and brought into school on **Thursday 1st February 2018.**

We understand that some parents may not want their child to participate in the above activities for personal reasons. If this is the case, please simply inform your child's teacher and they will ensure that other activities are available for your child.

School Clubs

Multisports Club: Mr Mullick has kindly agreed to run this club whilst Miss Gray is injured.

Congratulations to Class 7 who had 99.26% attendance last week.										
Well done to all the classes who achieved our 95% target.										
Last week our overall attendance was 97.3% .										
Please make every effort to ensure your child gets to school each day to help us improve even more.										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
% Attendance	97.92	94.78	96.36	95.45	98.57	97.5	99.26	98.46	96.8	98.4
Poor punctuality means your child misses valuable learning time and that lessons are disrupted for all other pupils.										

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School Meals Menu
 Next week will be the
Week 3 Menu.
 Please see the school website for more details

Lost Property:

Jake in Nursery and Zakk in Class 5 have both lost their named school jumpers. Please check that your children are wearing the correct jumper.

Will in Class 7 has lost one brown hiking boot.

Jamie in Class 5 lost his black trainer type shoe after multi-sports club on Tuesday.