

# What's On at West

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## This Week in School:

**Online Parent Survey:** You will have received an email yesterday containing a link to our latest parent survey. Please take the time to complete this – it should only take 5-10 minutes - and we always appreciate feedback that can help us in improving what we do. If any parent or carer is unable to access the survey online please contact the school office and we will give you a paper copy. Thank you to those of you who have already taken the time to complete the survey and for the helpful comments you have included in your responses.

**Share and Stay Writing:** We hope you have enjoyed attending school this week to share a writing lesson with your child/children. The staff enjoy having the opportunity to work with parents in this way, and the children love the opportunity to show off how much they know and how well they work in school.

We would appreciate any feedback from these sessions. The final session will take place tomorrow:

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017

9.00am – 10.00am Year 3 Share and Stay (Classes 7 & 8)

**Fire Engine Visit to Nursery:** We are sorry to say that due to unforeseen circumstances the fire brigade was unable to attend Prudhoe West yesterday. We have arranged another date for tomorrow morning, but due to the nature of their job it is possible that this could be postponed too – we will keep you updated.

**Internet and Digital Technology Event Final Reminder: Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2017, Highfield Middle School, Main Hall, 5.00pm:** You will have received a letter about this event last week. I cannot stress enough how valuable each and every one of you will find this meeting and I urge as many of you as possible to attend. There have been very recent online safety concerns regarding children in our own school (incidents that happened while the children were on IT equipment at home). As well as information sharing, there will be an opportunity for parents to ask any questions they may have. Please let us know if you would like to reserve a place.

## Coming Up:



**Nursery 2 Year Old Provision:** Due to the reduction of Early Years provision at other settings in Prudhoe, we are currently looking into the possibility of extending our own Early Years provision to include those children who are eligible for early education funding at the age of 2. This will mean these children can start with us here at Prudhoe West at 2 years of age and then continue through our school up to Year 4, or move to another local school at age 3 or age 4 if this is more local for parents. If you have a child who will turn two before September 2017, or during the

twelve months between September 2017 and August 2018, and you believe you will be eligible for a funded place, please get in touch with the school office to give your details. Please pass this message on to other parents you know who may be eligible.

2-year-olds can get free early education and childcare if parents get one of the following: Income Support, income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA), income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA), Universal Credit, tax credits and you have an annual income of under £16,190 before tax, the guaranteed element of State Pension Credit, support through part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act, the Working Tax Credit 4-week run on (the payment you get when you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit). A child can also get free early education and childcare if any of the following apply: they're looked after by a local council, they have a current statement of [special education needs \(SEN\)](#) or an education, health and care (EHC) plan, they get [Disability Living Allowance](#), they've left care under a special guardianship order, child arrangements order or adoption order.

**Football Festival at Adderlane Academy:** Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2017. Please note: due to the large number of children who have attended football club this term there will only be a limited number going to the football festival next week. Your child will be told if they have been selected – **there will be no football club at Prudhoe West next Tuesday (4<sup>th</sup> April 2017).**

**Prudhoe West Academy:** Things are moving forward with our conversion and I can confirm that our conversion event will take place on the afternoon of Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2017. This will take the form of an assembly, featuring a performance from our school choir, and a celebration “Street Party” for children (fingers crossed for good weather). We will confirm the timings for this asap. We are looking for as many photographs as possible to show the history of Prudhoe West First School to be shown in the Assembly. If you are a former pupil and have any photographs from your time here (class/individual formal photos, school trips, Christmas performances, sports days etc.), please email these to us asap.

We have also now agreed our new logo. We will let you know as soon as our new merchandise can be ordered from our suppliers.



### School Clubs:

**Rounders Club:** Following the football festival on Tuesday next week, this new club will begin after Easter. It will take place every Tuesday afternoon, 3.00 – 4.00pm beginning on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2017. The club will be open to all children in Years 3 and 4 and there will be 25 spaces, first come first served. Please contact the school office if you would like your child to take part. The sessions will lead to a ‘rounders festival’ at the end of the half term for selected children. More details to follow nearer the time.

### PTA:

**Easter Egg Raffle:** We would be very grateful for more donations of Easter eggs - big or small - for our raffle. The eggs will be on display in the final week of term and children will be able to buy ‘tickets’ priced at 20p each from Monday. Please send money into school with your child. (Tickets will be held in school for the draw on Thursday) The winners will be announced in class on the last day of term, Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2017. Thank you to all of you who have already donated.

**PTA Cinema Night:** Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2017; film tbc. The children will enjoy a drink, snack and popcorn, and will receive a special gift at the end. Entry costs £5.00 per child; please send the money to school in order to add your child’s name to the list. This event is for Prudhoe West children only (including nursery) and they will be supervised by school staff and PTA volunteers. The finishing time will be 5.15pm and the children will exit school at this time from their **usual classroom exit points. Please note:** There will be no rounders club on that afternoon.

### Talk Homework:

We are currently planning a ‘Street Party’ to celebrate the school becoming Prudhoe West Academy. Do you have any ideas for the street party? What things would you like to happen on this day?

### Congratulations to Class 7 who had 100% attendance last week!

Well done to all the classes who achieved our 95% target.

Last week our overall attendance was **96.8%**.

Please make every effort to ensure your child gets to school each day to help us improve even more this year.

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| <b>% Attendance</b> | <b>96.5</b> | <b>97.7</b> | <b>98.6</b> | <b>95.8</b> | <b>92.6</b> | <b>98.2</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>99.2</b> | <b>96.1</b> | <b>94.3</b> |

Poor punctuality means your child misses valuable learning time and that lessons are disrupted for all other pupils.

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### Week 2 Menu

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