



What's On at West

growing future stars

This Week in School

Grandparents' Afternoon – In recognition of Grandparents' Day, we are inviting grandparents to come and work with their grandchild in class tomorrow Friday 29th September 2017.

The arrangements are as follows:

Year 1 Celebration of Grandparents Assembly at 9.00am – anyone is welcome to join us for this assembly. There is no restriction on how many adults per child, and even those without a child in Year 1 may attend if they so wish.

Year 1 Grandparents in Class – for an hour after the assembly (from approximately 9.20am-10.20am) – **Grandparents only** are invited to join their grandchild in class. For safety reasons we will only be able to admit a maximum of 2 grandparents per child in the classroom at a time. If a child has more than 2 Grandparents wishing to participate then they may swap over part way through. Tea and coffee will be available in the main hall before and after the Year 1 assembly for those grandparents waiting to go into class, or for any parents or other family members who are who are waiting for the in class session to finish.

Reception, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 Grandparents in Class - **Grandparents only** are invited to join their grandchild in class. For safety reasons we will only be able to admit a maximum of 2 grandparents per child in the classroom at a time. If a child has more than 2 Grandparents wishing to participate then they may swap over part way through. Tea and coffee will be available in the main hall during the session for those grandparents waiting to go into class. Grandparents who have more than one grandchild in school can split the time across the children's classes. All grandparents need to come to the main entrance to sign in.

Coming Up

Share and Stay sessions for Parents/Carers

Share and Stay Sessions – **READING** - these sessions give a parent or carer the opportunity to come into class to work alongside their child and their child's teacher, gaining knowledge about how subjects are taught and how you can help your child at home. See below for your child's sessions.

Mon 2 nd October	8.45am – 9.45am Year 4 Share and Stay (Classes 9 & 10)
Tues 3 rd October	8.45am – 9.45am Year 1 Share and Stay (Classes 3 & 4)
Wed 4 th October	8.45am – 9.45am Year 2 Share and Stay (Classes 5 & 6)
Thurs 5 th October	8.45am – 9.45am Year 3 Share and Stay (Classes 7 & 8)
Fri 6 th October	8.45am – 9.45am Year Rec Share and Stay (Classes 1 & 2)

Tea and coffee will be available in the main hall before the session starts.

Football Team Trials: All children in Years 3 and 4 are welcome to come along to Class 4 for football team trials at lunchtime next Thursday, 5th October 2017. Ten children will then be selected to represent the school in fixtures throughout the year. Both boys and girls are encouraged to attend.

List of Events: A list of school events up to the end of July 2018 is at the end of this newsletter.

Reception Photograph in the Courant: A photographer from the Courant will be coming to school to take the yearly class photograph of Reception children. Thank you to those parents who have returned their photograph permission form. If you have not returned it and you do not want your child to be included in the photograph please inform your child's class teacher.

Middle School Admissions: The portal for online admissions for Year 4 children moving up to Highfield next September (2018) closes on **31st October 2017**. You should have received a letter from the Local Authority informing you of this. If you are having difficulty accessing the online portal, please contact the school office and we will give you a paper form to complete.

The Online Portal for Admissions to Reception in first and primary school will open on the **1 November 2017** and close on the **15 January 2018**. **Parents need to apply for a place at Prudhoe West Academy even if their children are already at Prudhoe West Nursery.**

Please use the link below for more information:

<http://www.northumberland.gov.uk/Education/Schools/Admissions.aspx#onlineschooladmissionapplication>

School Clubs

KS2 Dance Club: Tuesday afternoons, 3.00 – 4.00pm in the school hall. This club will be run by Miss Gray (Class 4 teacher) and will begin next week on Tuesday 3rd October 2017. The club sessions will lead up to a performance at the Newcastle Eagles Basketball game on Friday 15th December 2017, 6.00 – 9.00pm. All children joining the club must be fully committed to attending all sessions as well as the performance. The club is open to all children in Years 3 and 4 and there are 30 spaces available, first come first served. Please contact the school office if you would like your child to take part.

School Choir Commitment: The school choir will be performing during the interval of the Newcastle Eagles game on Friday 15th December 2017, 6.00 – 9.00pm. This is an extremely exciting opportunity and we ask that all parents of choir members put this in their diaries now. Further details, including how you can purchase tickets to come along and join in the event, will be circulated soon.

In the Community:

The next 'Step Towards Employment' course will take place on Monday mornings at Prudhoe Methodist Church starting next week. We provide friendly, practical support to help you step confidently into employment, whether you have been unemployed for a short time, for years, or have never had a job. This eight session course will walk you through each step of the job hunting process, from identifying your strengths and skills, right through to writing a great CV and learning how to succeed in an interview. The course is run by trained volunteers from the local churches, is free to attend, and bacon butties and drinks are provided! For more information ring CAP (Christians Against Poverty) on 0800 328 0006 or speak to our local Job Club Coach Neill Parker on 07706 035235

Vacancies:

We are currently advertising for Lunchtime Care Assistants to cover on a casual basis when we have staff absences.

Term Time Only 12:00 p.m. – 1:05 p.m. daily

Lunch time supervision offers an ideal opportunity for you to begin working with children in both a formal and informal setting, supporting their social and physical development. This work entails supervising the children during their lunchtime whilst eating their lunch, during play which includes outdoor supervision and to ensure the well-being and safety of pupils, in line with the academy's policies and procedures.

For an application form and further details please contact the school office.

Congratulations to Class 4 who had 100% attendance last week.

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

Last week our overall attendance was **97.43%**.

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	98.33	93.04	97.27	100	97.14	96.9	99.26	97.04	97.6	99.23

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 2 Menu.

Please see the school website for more details

Date	Event
September 2017	
29 th	9.00 – 9.30am Year 1 Grandparents Assembly + craft session
	1.45 – 2.45pm Grandparents Afternoon (R, 2, 3, 4)
October 2017	
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Wed 4 th	8.45am – 9.45am Year 2 Share and Stay (Classes 5 & 6)
Thurs 5 th	8.45am – 9.45am Year 3 Share and Stay (Classes 7 & 8)
Fri 6 th	8.45am – 9.45am Year Rec Share and Stay (Classes 1 & 2)
Thurs 12 th	9.00am Harvest Festival Classes 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 2.00pm Harvest Festival Classes 2, 4, 6, 8, 10
Mon 16 th	3.00 – 5.00pm PTA Disco
Wed 18 th	11.00 – 11.30am Nursery 'Share a Story' 2.30 – 3.00pm Nursery 'Share a Story'
	School closes for half term
Mon 30 th	School Reopens
November 2017	
Wed 1 st	3.30pm – 7.00pm Parents' Evening
Thurs 2 nd	3.30pm – 7.00pm Parents' Evening
Fri 10 th	9.00am – 9.30am - Year 3 Remembrance Assembly for parents
Wed 15 th	Individual Photographs
Wed 22 nd	Class Photographs
Tues 28 th	Afternoon Trip to Theatre Royal Years 1, 2, 3, 4 (return 5.30pm approx.)
December 2017	
Thurs 7 th	3.00 - 5.30pm PTA Cinema Night
Tues 12 th	9.15 -10.15am Christmas Show - Classes 1,3,5,6,7,8,9,10 1.30 – 2.30pm Christmas Show - Class 2,4,5,6,7,8,9,10
Wed 13 th	9.15 -10.15am Christmas Show - Classes Nur A,4,5,6,7,8,9,10 1.30 – 2.30pm Christmas Show - Class Nur B,3,5,6,7,8,9,10
Thurs 14 th	9.15 -10.15am Christmas Show Class 2,3,5,6,7,8,9,10 1.30 – 2.30pm Christmas Show Class 1,4,5,6,7,8,9,10
Tues 19 th	9.15 -10.15am Carol Service 1 2.00 – 3.00pm Carol Service 2
Wed 20 th	EYFS (Nursery and Reception) Party Day
Thurs 21 st	Christmas Party Day Years 1, 2, 3, 4
Fri 22 nd	School closes for Christmas / New Year
January 2018	
Mon 8 th	School Reopens
Share and Stay Sessions – MATHS	
Mon 15 th	9.00am – 10.00am Year 1 Share and Stay (Classes 3 & 4)
Tues 16 th	9.00am – 10.00am Year 2 Share and Stay (Classes 5 & 6)
Wed 17 th	9.00am – 10.00am Year 3 Share and Stay (Classes 7 & 8)
Thurs 18 th	9.00am – 10.00am Year 4 Share and Stay (Classes 9 & 10)
Fri 19 th	2.00am – 3.00pm Rec Share and Stay (Classes 1 & 2)
February 2018	
Wed 7 th Feb	11.00 – 11.30am Nursery Number Rhymes 2.00 – 2.30pm Nursery Number Rhymes

	School closes for Spring Mid-Term
Mon 19 th	School Reopens
March 2018	
Thurs 1 st	World Book Day
Share and Stay Sessions – WRITING	
Mon 5 th	9.00am – 10.00am Year 3 Share and Stay (Classes 7 & 8)
Tues 6 th	9.00am – 10.00am Year 4 Share and Stay (Classes 9 & 10)
Wed 7 th	9.00am – 10.00am Year 1 Share and Stay (Classes 3 & 4)
Thurs 8 th	9.00am – 10.00am Year 2 Share and Stay (Classes 5 & 6)
Fri 9 th	9.00 – 9.30am Reception Mothers' Day Assembly followed by Reception Share and stay 9.30 – 10.30am
Wed 28 th	School closes for Easter Holiday
April 2018	
Mon 16 th	School Reopens
Tues 17 th	4.00pm – 7.00pm Parents' Evening
Wed 18 th	4.00pm – 7.00pm Parents' Evening
May 2018	
During May, our Year 2 pupils carry out assessments that are used to monitor their progress and set future targets. It is vitally important that these children are not taken out of school during this time.	
Mon 7 th	May Day Bank Holiday
Thurs 10 th	3.30 – 6.00pm EYFS Open Day
Wed 16 th – Fri 18 th	Robinwood Residential Visit – Year 4
Wed 23 rd	11.00 – 11.30 Nursery Talk for Writing 2.30 – 3.00pm Nursery Talk for Writing
Fri 25 th	Sports Day
	School closes for Half Term
June 2018	
Mon 4 th	School Reopens
During June, our Year 3 & 4 pupils carry out assessments that are used to monitor their progress and set future targets. It is vitally important that these children are not taken out of school during this time.	
	Phonics Screening Week - Year 1 (and Year 2 resits) During this week our Year 1 pupils carry out an external assessment that is used to monitor their progress and set future targets. It is vitally important that these children are not taken out of school during this time. The week for these assessments is set nationally and cannot be changed. If any children are not in school during the assessment window, they will have to take the assessment the following year.
Wed 6 th – Fri 8 th	Year 3 Residential Visit to Gibside (Class 7 Mon/Tues, Class 8 Tues/Wed)
Wed 13 th	10.30 – 11.30am Nursery Sports Day 2.00 – 3.00pm Nursery Sports Day
	PTA selling Father's Day gifts in school
Fri 15 th	9.00am – 9.30am – Year 2 Fathers' Day Assembly for parents
Thurs 21 st	6.00 – 7.00pm Meeting for Nursery New Starters 7.30 – 8.30pm Meeting for Reception New Starters
July 2018	
Thurs 12 th	6.00pm West Factor Production
Thurs 19 th	3.00pm – 5.00pm Leavers' Disco
Fri 20 th	9.15am – Leaver Assembly for Year 4 parents 3.00pm School closes for Summer 2018

