



# Winlaton West Lane Community Primary School Newsletter

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'We reach for the stars'



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after the long summer break! It's great to see everyone again and hear about some of the exciting things that you have all been getting up to. Everyone is getting used to their new classrooms and staff, very well it seems! We attach the topic webs so that you can see what your children are learning this term.

**ASPARATIONS, JOBS AND THE LGBT AGENDA** We are having a focus year on aspirations and thinking about what jobs the children are interested in doing. The first discussion has opened up a really interesting gender issue ie children thinking certain jobs can only be done by men, certain jobs can only be done by women. So we are going to try and crack this myth and would ask for your help with this at home! Later on in the term will be tackling different types of families ...what does the word family mean. Today families have lots of different make ups and of course this touches on the Lesbian and Gay agenda. As an open and inclusive school we will be discussing the very important LGBT agenda through assemblies and Personal Health Social and Emotional lessons in school. We are aiming to have a career fayre later in the term so please, if you would be willing to come and talk about your job, let me know!

**NEW PARENT GOVERNOR** We welcome Mr ManN on to our Governing Body as a Parent Governor. It was a worthy contest between two very strong applicants, both of whom were great candidates for the job. Mr Mann pipped Ms English to the post. Other Parent Governors are Lorrain McCann (mum of Jessica, Luke and Jake and our Vice Chair), Claire Dixon (mum of Sam and Luke Garwood), Carl Appleton (dad of Rebecca and Matthew).

**HOMEWORK** Thank you to parents who responded to my plea last year asking for your thoughts on homework. The majority of parents who replied said that too much homework was a nightmare and played havoc with their family lives (I have to say I remember that well myself!). Our homework policy which will be sent out to you once Governors have seen it is very much about reading, spelling and basic number skills (tables etc). These are the skills that underpin every aspect of our curriculum and are important to carry on at home. So children will be getting weekly spellings, weekly basic Maths skills and we expect reading 5 nights a week at least! If individual parents want more homework, please ask your child's teacher.

**OUR AIMS FOR THIS YEAR**— following our Ofsted target to IMPROVE TEACHING AND LEARNING FURTHER

What does the school need to do to improve further?

See that leaders take action to improve the quality of teaching further so that all pupils reach the highest standards of which they are capable, by:

— ensuring that all pupils are set consistently challenging tasks to extend their learning and progress, especially for the most able pupils

— further developing the monitoring of pupils' progress in subjects other than English and mathematics, so that all subjects are monitored as rigorously, for individuals and groups of pupils.

Two other targets that we will be working on this year

Ensure we are a truly inclusive school that reflects our current society and world. Tackling racism, sexism, genderism, LGBT agenda.

Curriculum to be creative and diverse, evidenced by excellent writing showing skills and knowledge. New buzz words displayed and constantly talked about ie the skills we want our children to have.

**WELL DONE TO THE CHILDREN WHO GOT 100% ATTENDANCE LAST YEAR** – 29 OF YOU! Miss Little and I are looking forward to taking you bowling. If your child isn't invited and you think that they did get 100% give Miss Little a call and we'll check attendance records.

**FACEBOOK** – We are using Facebook to get extra information across. Obviously with over 400 parents and children in our lovely school it is a fantastic way of sending out messages etc so do follow us for everyday catch ups and messages. If you don't have facebook find a friend who does and neb theirs! We don't have time to monitor it constantly so please contact us directly via phone or email if you need to get in touch.

**STAFFING** – Please see attached the full staffing for our lovely school.

Here's to a fabulous 2017/18!

*Mrs Tetley*

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**Year 5 swim-  
ming starts**



**Wednesday**

**13th Sep. Swimming  
kits needed in, full  
bathers needed for  
girls please.**

**Catering staff**

**Gateshead Council are  
looking to employ ca-  
tering staff in the Win-  
laton and Blaydon ar-  
ea. If you are interest-  
ed please call  
Elise on 07919  
110980 or call  
into the school  
or further de-  
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## Other News

**PARKING** – I know we have a difficult site for dropping off and picking up, but please can I ask you to have the ultimate respect for our neighbours who are getting a little fed up of cars/vans being parked badly in their roads. Please don't park on the yellow lines outside school – they are there for a reason – to stop our children being hurt. We don't want an accident to happen to make sure this is enforced. SAFETY AND RESPECT of neighbours first please! Thank you in advance.

### Key Dates

14<sup>th</sup> September 9am Phonics meeting for Reception  
 19<sup>th</sup> September School photographs  
 21st September McMillan coffee morning  
 22<sup>nd</sup> September 9AM -10AM Drop-in Literacy lesson for parents and carers  
 28<sup>th</sup> September Anti-Bullying Parent Workshop 3.30 – 5.00 Creche provided. You need to sign up for this  
 28th September McMillan coffee morning time to be confirmed.  
 5<sup>th</sup> October 2.30 Yr 4 assembly for parents and carers  
 12<sup>th</sup> October 2.30 Yr 2 assembly for parents and carers  
 13<sup>th</sup> October 8.15 Family Breakfast  
 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> October PARENTS EVENING N, R, Yr 1 Lower School Hall. Years 2–6 in Upper School Hall

**SPORT** We now have a qualified football/sports coach who is working with our children at lunch times. He is also going to run a Yr 5/6 football team on Thursdays and run an open football club on Friday after school. We really want to encourage our girls to join in and not be intimidated by our wonderful but sometimes rather over-zealous boys!! Can we remind everyone that children shouldn't bring footballs or penny floaters into school. Each class has a play-time and a lunch time when it is their turn to play football and the yard is just not big enough for random games of football to happen safely. We have sports equipment coming for our yard from all the fantastic money raised from the sponsored sports day with Peter Bakare, so there will be plenty of other equipment for the children to play with. Many thanks!

**Word of the week** Carpe Diem  
 Do you know what this is Latin for?



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### Top Class Dojos

**W/E 08.09.17**

Nursey Berries  
 Jenson & Bobby  
 Rec Willow (JT)

Luke

Reception Hazel (JR)

Ellie

Y1 Chestnut (ZC/JG)

Dylan & Tom

Y1 Holly (RJ)

Jacob

Y2 Poplar (LP)

Lauren

Y2 Elder (JeT)

Jacob

Y3 Elm (KS)

Bella

Y3 Rowan (VN)

Owen H

Y4 Beech (JS)

Ty

Y4 Aspen (CC)

Eleanor

Y5 Birch (EMc)

Theo

Y5 Lime (AP)

Adam

Y6 Ash (KB)

Ben

Y6 Oak (LY)

Sophie R



### Weekly Class Percentage Attendance 04.09.17–08.09.17

Our attendance target is 96%.

*Congratulations to Hazel, Holly, Elder and Elm for 100% attendance.*

Rec Hazel	Rec Willow	Y1 Chestnut	Y1 Holly	Y2 Poplar	Y2 Elder	Y3 Elm	Y3 Rowan	Y4 Beech	Y4 Aspen	Y5 Birch	Y5 Lime	Y6 Ash	Y6 Oak
100	96	99	100	97	100	100	96	99	93	96	98	98	96

## Star of the week

**Nursery Berries**

Maacaulay for settling really well into Nursery.

**Rec Willow**

Harriot for settling into her new school really well.

**Rec Hazel**

Ellie for excellent work and being a great role model.

**Y1 Chestnut**

Dylan for being an excellent friend.

**Y1 Holly**

Lily-Mae for trying her hardest this week.

**Y2 Poplar**

Freddie for being great.

**Y2 Elder**

Isabella for showing her amazing work.

**Y3 Elm**

Brandon for being a super star.

**Y3 Rowan**

Lucas for always being keen to answer questions.

**Y4 Beech**

Finley S for persevering with his work and working hard.

**Y4 Aspen**

Jack R for being a super role model.

**Y5 Birch**

Dylan for being on time and writing a big piece of work.

**Y5 Lime**

Kayleigh for Carpe Diem.

**Y6 Ash**

Jay for brilliant behaviour this year.

**Y6 Oak**

Erin G for making a great start to year 6.





## Staffing for WWLCP for 2017/18



**Mrs C Tetley** Head Teacher

**Mrs J Tones** Deputy Head Teacher, EYFS Leader and SENCo Creative Curriculum Assessment Reception Teacher Willow

**Mrs K Bell** Year 4, 5 and 6 leader. Literacy Leader Creative Curriculum Assessment teaches Year 6 Ash

**Mrs J Traynor** Year 1, 2 and 3 leader. Numeracy Leader Creative Curriculum Assessment teaches Year 2 Elder.

### **EYFS and KS1 Teaching Staff**

**Miss L Summers and Miss A Patterson** Nursery, Creative curriculum, Assessment Art/DT, Leader Creative curriculum Assessment

**Miss A Grayson** Reception Hazel RE Leader

**Ms J Greaves** Year 1 Chestnut, NQT, Creative Curriculum

**Miss R Jackson** Year 1 Holly, PE Leader, Creative curriculum, Assessment

**Miss K Sergison** Year 2 Poplar, Music Leader, Creative curriculum, Assessment

### **KS2 Teaching Staff**

**Miss A Rowland** Year 3 Elm, NQT, Creative Curriculum

**Mrs V Nugent** Year 3 Rowan, Science and PSHE Leader, Creative curriculum, Assessment

**Miss K McClure** Year 4 Aspen, History and Geography Leader, Creative Curriculum

**Miss A Bell** Year 4 Beech, Science Leader, Creative curriculum, Assessment

**Miss Critchlow** Year 5 Lime, NQT, Creative Curriculum

**Miss McRoberts** Year 6 Oak, History and Geography Leader, Creative curriculum, Assessment

**Mrs Young** Year 5 Birch, IT Leader, Pupil Premium/More Able champion, Art DT Leader, Creative curriculum, Assessment

### **Support Staff**

**Miss J Little** Family Support Worker

**Miss S Westgarth** Higher Level Teaching Assistant based in KS1 and LKS2, UNICEF Rights, School Council

**Mrs J Richardson** Higher Level Teaching Assistant, PPA cover

**Mr J Oliver-Elliott** Higher Level Teaching Assistant, Forest School

**Miss G Lowes** TA EY **Mrs V Wheatley** TA EY **Miss J Warmsley** TA EY SEN **Miss S Purkins** TA SEN

**Miss J Sowerby** TA KS 1 **Miss McGough** TA 1 -1 Yr 1

**Mrs H Herworth** TA KS 1 **Miss L Roddam** TA KS2 **Miss R Edgar** TA KS2 **Mrs S Walton** TA KS 2

### **Administration**

**Mr P Boyd** Business Manager **Mrs Hutchinson** Administration Officer **Mrs E Gormanley** Administrator

**Mr P Hendry** Caretaker

**Midday Supervisory Staff** Mrs A Cuthbertson, Mrs J Gardner, Miss S Purkins, Mrs S McGough, Mrs D Robinson, Mrs L Swan, Mrs A Whitfield, Mrs A Wiszniewski

**Kitchen Staff** **Mrs A Beverley** School Cook **Mrs M McQuiggan** Assistant Cook **Mrs T Prior** **Mrs T Smith** **Mrs D Dawson** **Miss R Surrey**

For information on our Governors please click on the following link <http://winlatonwestlane.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/Govs-info-Spr17-1-e1487250387229.jpg>