



KEY DATES



Summer Term Two

24th June: Y6 Induction evening at Seaham High School

23rd June: KS2 am, KS1 pm SPORTS DAY

24th June: Maths Café- Year 2 Parents/carers welcome

25th June: Big debate held at County Hall

30th June: Shorts and Shades Disco 3:45-5:15pm

1st July: Maths Café- Year 1 Parents/carers welcome

2nd July: Y1/Y2 and Y3/4 athletics teams at Athletics event

3rd July: Year 6 Enterprise day for whole school and whole school real-life maths day.

4th July: Year 6 transition day at Seaham High

4th July: All students spend time in next year's classroom with their next teacher and other support staff.

7th July – Welcome to Class 3 parents meeting

7th July – Welcome to Class 2 parents meeting

8th July Year 1 Classes trip: Teddy Bear's Picnic Park trip and activity day

8th July: Maths Café- Reception Parents/carers welcome

8th, 9th and 11th July: Students from US to visit and complete workshops with pupils.

10th July: School video Day

10th of July – Welcome to Class 4 parents meeting

11th July Year 6 special farewell service at Christ Church

16th July: Y6 Trip

17th July: Year 6 leavers event and awards assembly

18th July: Whole school sing-a-long

September 2025

3rd September – Children return to school

9th September – Welcome to year 3 parents meeting

10th September – Welcome to year 6 parents meeting

11th September – Welcome to year 3 parents meeting

16th September – Welcome to year 4 parents meeting

Summer term CARE values:

Every term we focused on 4 of our CARE values across school. I mention these in assemblies and the children and staff try to use these values throughout the term.

Our new CARE values are;

COOPERATION, ACHIEVEMENT, RESILIENCE AND EMPOWERMENT

Message from Mrs Scothern...

Why do we always mention sport? What's the big deal?

Physical education is one of the many subjects we teach at Westlea but being physically active and knowing the benefits of physical activity is something that is so important to be exposed to from a young age. Children love moving and find enjoyment through physical activity. The fun shack to your child is the best place to be... to us adults... well perhaps not.

We believe that by providing a rich variety of sports and experiences to the children, we will support them to become fitter, healthier and make a positive contribution to society in general. They learn how to win and lose gracefully. They understand rules in a game and can follow the instructions. They develop team skills and communication, problem solving and increase self-esteem. They become body confident and we teach them to embrace all body shapes into sport. Everyone of all shapes, sizes and abilities can take part in some form of physical activity.

Sport gives children positive role models and opens up discussion on many levels.

Activity week is not just physical activity, we do this, but so much more.

At school on a daily basis we aim to provide 60minutes of physical activity for every child. This includes play times and the daily walk/run on our purpose-built track.

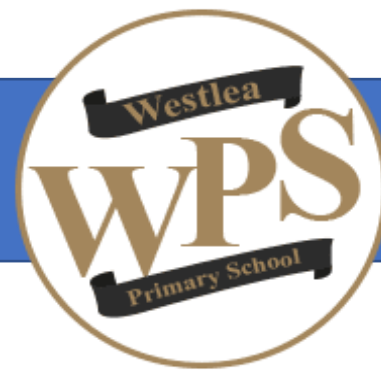
The children in school also have 2 hours of PE per week, this is in the form of PE lessons, forest school and swimming lessons, depending on the age and stage of education your child is in. In an era where education is becoming more focused on sitting still, we are taking the opposite approach. We move around and try to make as many lessons as possible active with movement involved. Not every lesson can be like this but we certainly aim to try and have this focus.

Well done everyone on a fantastic activity week and a wonderful EYFS sports morning and afternoon.

We are now looking forward to Key Stage 1 and Key stage 2 sports days on Monday.



THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE



	WE 20.06.25
Class 1	94.8%
Class 2	90.0%
Class 3	95.2%
Class 4	90.0%
Class 5	88.0%
Class 6	89.5%
Class 7	90.8%
Class 8/9	100%

Attendance Update

We will continue to use our Attendopoly board with the classes to encourage great class attendance. Your child's class rolls the dice if they collectively have an attendance over 96% (which is our school target).

The pupils really enjoy participating with the game and finding out what space they will land on and what extra treat that might be for the class!

This week **1** class reached 96% or above.

Keep up the great work!

Our whole school attendance for WE 20.06.25 is 91.0%

Our attendance for the year to date is 94%

Our target for this half term is **96%** we are currently at 93.6%

Well done to Y6 for **2 wins** from the Attendopoly board.

They have a Just Dance session and an ART experience.

Well done to Class 1 for rolling and winning a class bingo game or quiz.

Well done for Class 2 for winning a Just Dance session.

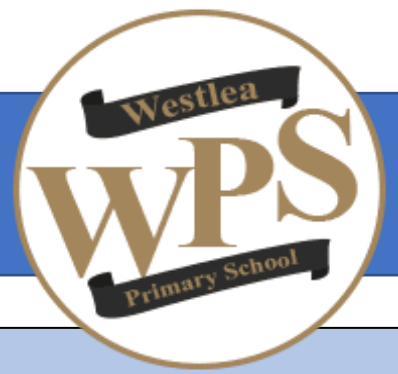


SAFE GUARDING AND ATTENDANCE TEAM:

Mrs Scothern is our Designated Safe Guarding Lead with Mrs Davey and Mrs Simmons as Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads. Please get in touch with any queries or concerns.



THIS WEEK'S AWARDS



Head Teacher's Award

Sporting certificates were given out to the Y5/6 Netball squad.

INDIVIDUAL CLASS STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS

	WE 20.06.25
Class 1	Albie
Class 2	Arthur
Class 3	Charlie
Class 4	Dakota
Class 5	Winter
Class 6	Cleo
Class 7	Kenzi
Class 8 and 9	n/a

RIGHTS RESPECTING AWARDS

	WE 20.06.25
Class 1	Reuben
Class 2	Holly
Class 3	Cayde
Class 4	Maleko
Class 5	Ijaz
Class 6	Jacob
Class 7	Carson
Class 8 and 9	n/a

Right of the week- Article 6

We have the right to be healthy.

We enjoyed a healthy activity week with dance, tennis, hula hoops and volleyball.

Character values: CARE		
Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Community	Compassion	Cooperation
Ambition	Actions	Achievement
Respect	Responsibility	Resilience
Enjoyment	Endeavor	Empowerment



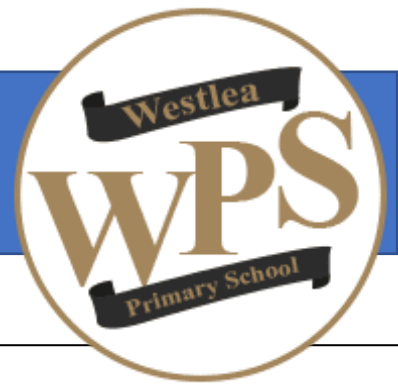
Pupil discussions: This week I held pupil discussion in the lunch hall during Class 5 and 6 lunch time. They were enjoying the special menu and we discussed school dinners. The pupils were able to speak to me about Sports week and what they had enjoyed so far.



Head teachers awards: Our CARE values this term are...Cooperation, Achievement, Resilience and Empowerment

These are given to pupils in school who have shone outside of the classroom. It maybe they have shown excellent manners and held a door for a visitor or a friend or have shown our WESTLEA CARE values in some way. Perhaps they have cooperated with each other to play a game or complete a group activity or shown resilience to keep going when a task or a learning activity has been a challenge. Visitors and other members of staff can nominate these students so it is very special if you are recognised for your efforts or for just being you!

In other news...



Activity week at Westlea Primary School.

What a fabulous activity week experienced by everyone! The whole school took part in many activities, with our Year 6 pupils also going to Newby Wiske for a 3-day outward bound residential (more about this next week).

Meanwhile, back at school we enjoyed many new activities. The focus of this year's activity week was accessibility in sport. Sport being for all and that everyone can access sport and enjoy its benefits. Here is a sample of some of the activities from the week.



"Just wanted to say thank you for another fantastic day in your school. The children were outstanding once again, they are always a pleasure to teach and a credit to your school. Please pass on my thanks to all staff and pupils who always make me feel so welcome."

Mrs Davison from Hoopstarz





Every class had a go of seated volley ball. This is a very competitive and fun activity to take part in and the pupils really enjoyed trying a new and exciting sport.

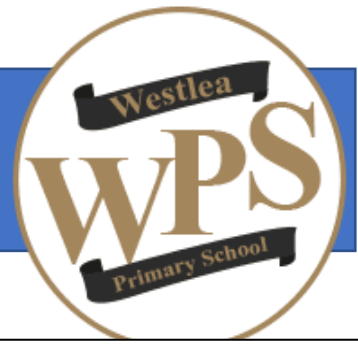




Year 4 and Year 1 showing how to dance and move to the music in a Silent Disco experience. What a way to put a smile on everyone's faces and bring energy into a room.



In other news...



Y5 Netball tournament

On Tuesday evening, we took two talented netball teams (Blue Team and Red Team) to Dene Academy for a Y5 netball tournament. There were 14 schools involved with some very tough opposition.

Both teams were amazing. They showed determination, team work and fantastic athletic skills, both teams did not give up.

Blue team came second in their group and got through to the next round. Whilst the Red Team qualified for the final after winning their group and then winning a competitive semi-final match against Ribbon. In the final, unfortunately they lost to a very strong netballing team from Easington Village C of E and came second overall!



WPS CARE VALUES: SPRING TERM:

Cooperation, Achievement, Resilience and Empowerment

We have a range of free extra-curricular activities in school. They are available for all pupils to attend and can be booked on Parent Pay. Each week there will be a spotlight on a club so that the pupils can get to know a little more about them. These clubs are offered so that the pupils gain further enrichment experiences, try new skills and make new friends.

Extra-Curricular club spotlight

Name of club	Cross Country
What day is club?	Monday
What time?	After school until 4pm
Where is it held?	School field
Who can go?	Year 2 to year 6 with a passion for running
Description of the club and activities?	We are training to improve our fitness and our long distance times. We attend a cross country competition in the Autumn so are getting as much practice as we can.



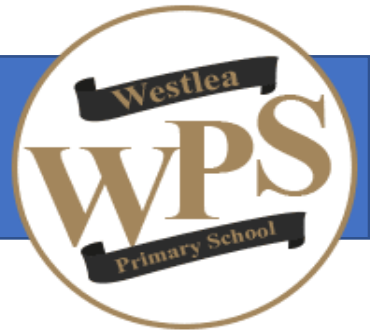
Did you know about Junior Park run?

See the link to a free weekly run that your child can take part in.

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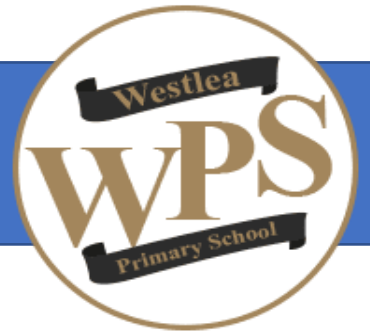


Here is a sample of some excellent shape work in Class 1. The children have been learning the names of 2d shapes and then as part of their provision they have been using the shapes to create picture and repeated designs. They have learnt the vocabulary of rotation and position.

Super learning in action.



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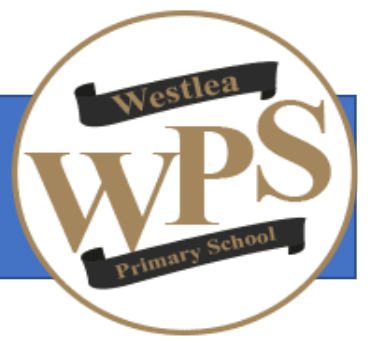
Early Years had their Sports Day on Wednesday and what a wonderful day it was! Thank you to all of the families who came to support us.

The children showcased their running, balancing, throwing and teamwork skills and had lots of fun.





In other news...



Seaham Pit Disaster

Year 3, as part of their history learning, visited Christ Church to look at objects and listen to the events linked to the Seaham Pit disaster. The read the names of all of the people who lost their lives and reflected on how dangerous it was to work as a miner.

