



# Whitley News



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## Letting Our Light Shine – A Glorious Spring Term at The Whitley!

As we come to the end of a remarkable term, it's the perfect time to pause, reflect and celebrate all the unforgettable moments that have helped our children shine so brightly.

From the start of term to this final week, The Whitley has been alive with laughter, learning and discovery. We've journeyed through a term full of adventure—from British Science Week, where curiosity soared and experiments inspired, to our magical Forest School Days, where nature became our classroom.

We've travelled far and wide—both in learning and in person! Our visits to the mosque, the cathedral, the synagogue and the Hindu temple have broadened our spiritual and cultural horizons, and our trip to London was truly unforgettable—a chance for many to see the capital for the first time. World Book Day was a celebration of imagination, made even more special by the opportunity to work with a local author. The stories that blossomed from our children were nothing short of magical. Our EYFS Superhero Day brought out capes and masks, while their 'Sow a Seed' project showed us how care and love can help something small grow into something beautiful.

We've raced pancake and we will roll eggs and send them flying across fields in our traditional Easter celebrations. Once again our egg decorating competition this week was a showcase of sheer talent and imagination.

Choosing winners was no easy task, as every single entry was eggstraordinary!

We have some sporting success with our bowling competition, showcasing teamwork, determination and fair play. Meanwhile, some of our pupils had the honour of completing their course at the local Fire Station, ending with a proud and well-deserved award ceremony. Throughout the term, we've seen so much personal growth. The progress our children have made—academically, emotionally and socially—has been phenomenal. Every class has demonstrated hard work, resilience and a true Whitley spirit. We are immensely proud of each and every one of them.

As we head into the holidays, I would love for everyone to take a moment and reflect on their achievements – looking in and appreciating just how far they have come. Looking out—celebrating the successes of our friends and peers. Looking up—to the awe and wonder that surrounds us, particularly in the story and spirit of Easter. The message of hope, renewal and light resonates deeply as we close the term.

As always, the children have shown us what it truly means to **Let Their Light Shine**. A heartfelt thank you to our families, staff and wider community for your unwavering support and partnership. We are so excited for what lies ahead in the summer term.

Wishing you all a joyful, restful, and truly blessed Easter break.

Mrs. Roome

# UPCOMING EVENTS

Please remember all dates are subject to change and events may be added as the term goes on.

Date	Event
11/04/25	Easter Service at St Cuthbert's Church 9:15 – EYFS – Y3 10:15 – Y4 – Y6 Parents are welcome and can walk to and from church with school.
11/04/25	Annual Egg Rolling Race
11/04/25	End of Term – Easter Holidays
28/04/25	Teacher Training Day
29/04/25	Pupils return to school after Easter
05/05/25	Bank Holiday Monday – School Closed
06/05/25	Year 1 Parents' Evening – Letters to be sent home on the first week of term.
07/05/25	Year 1 Parents' Evening - Letters to be sent home on the first week of term.
12/05/25 – 15/05/25	Y6 SATs Week
16/05/25	Y6 End of SATs treat – La Torre and Water Fight
19/05/25	EYFS Twiddlywinks visit in school
21/05/25 and 22/05/25	Quad Kid Trials – letters to follow next term
22/05/25	End of Half Term – May Holidays



PE days for Summer 1 are:  
 Reception - Tuesday (NUFC)  
 Year 1 - Tuesday (NUFC)  
 Year 2 - Tuesday (NUFC)  
 Year 3 - Tuesday (NUFC)  
 Year 4 - Monday  
 Year 5 - Friday (Kielder swimming)  
 Year 6 - Wednesday



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## Easter Church Services

Thank you to the Parents who attended our services this morning. The children enjoyed re-enacting the Easter story and singing the Easter songs.

On Good Friday there will be a re-enactment at 11am in Bedlington Market Place where families are invited to come along.



Biggest improvement in accuracy:

1. Aiden H
2. Frankie G
3. Maisey P

Most Correct Answers:

1. Aiden H
2. Maisey P
3. Frankie G

Biggest improvement in accuracy:

1. Aiden H
2. Maisey P
3. Alfie W

Most correct answers

1. Joseph H
2. Stanley S
3. Lolah W



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Well done to our pupils who completed the Phoenix Project at West Hartford Fire Station. The whole experience has been incredible and the ceremony at the end of the course was a great way to celebrate their achievements.





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Although Year 2 have tried desperately to persuade us to build a pond and keep the ducks in school, today we have had to wave goodbye to them. They have been the highlight of school these past two weeks and they have grown so much. A big thank you to Miss Smith who sourced a ethical company to provide the ducks, picked them up, cared for them on the weekend and provided this opportunity for most of the school to enjoy.





Our Easter Egg  
Competition winners



