



# Whitley News



5<sup>th</sup> December 2025

What a wonderful week it has been at The Whitley - a true celebration of our school community and how our children continue to let their light shine. This week, we have all been working incredibly hard on our assessments and we could not be prouder of the resilience and perseverance shown by every single pupil.

We were also overwhelmed with gratitude for the generous donation of selection boxes from West Bedlington Town Council. These will be a real treat for the children and we know they will absolutely love receiving them at their Christmas parties.

A huge highlight of the week was our fantastic PTA Christmas Fair. It was a wonderful event filled with festive cheer and crammed classrooms. We are so grateful to our brilliant PTA for organising it year after year. So far, an amazing £885 has been raised and that's before any further raffle ticket sales! Thank you to everyone who supported the fair; your efforts make such a difference.

Today, our Year 4 children enjoyed a truly special visit to the Sikh Temple. Their behaviour, interest and respect were exemplary and the visit sparked thoughtful conversations about spirituality, understanding others and celebrating differences.

One child captured the experience perfectly, saying: *"Thank you for bringing us here, Mrs Teasdale. This is really cool and I think it is a really special place."*

Moments like this remind us why these opportunities are so important.

Year 5 have also been shining brightly this week with their incredible Titanic creations. Their imagination, craftsmanship and enthusiasm have been a joy to see - what talented pupils we have!

This morning's Out of School Achievements assembly was another highlight, filled with awe and wonder as we celebrated some remarkable accomplishments, including a jaw-dropping new "World Record" of swimming one million metres! Well done to every pupil, staff member and family - your positivity, kindness and dedication continue to make The Whitley a truly special place. Each week brings something new to celebrate and this one has been no exception.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Roome



Year Group	Percentage
Reception	95
Year 1	96.2
Year 2	86.6
Year 3	99.4
Year 4	92.1
Year 5	97.4
Year 6	92.7
Overall	94.9

# UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Date	Event
09/12/25	Y3 and 4 Christmas Performance 1:45pm
10/12/25	EYFS Christmas Performance 9:30am
	Y5 and 6 Christmas Carol Service at St Cuthbert's Church 1:30pm
11/12/25	Christmas Jumper Day
	Christmas Dinner Day
	Y1 and 2 Christmas Performance 1:45pm
12/12/25	Y2- 6 Panto at Whitley Bay Playhouse
15/12/25	Y1 and Y2 Christmas Party
16/12/25	Y3 and Y4 Christmas Party
16/12/25	EYFS & Y1 Northern Stage Christmas Performance
17/12/25	EYFS Christmas Party (am)
	Y5 Christmas Party
18/12/25	Y6 Christmas Party
19/12/25	Christingle at St Cuthbert's 9:30am.
20/12/25	Family Carol Singalong at 1:15pm



## Singing at St Cuthbert's Church – Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December

We would be really grateful if some of our children would come and join us at St Cuthbert's Church to sing some Christmas Songs. We will be meeting at the church at 10:15am, ready to sing at 10:30am.

## Y2-Y6 Panto

Children can bring ONE small, individual sized packet of sweets and ONE small bottle of water or juice (not fizzy pop or energy drinks) to the performance. Sweets should not be crunchy.



## Christmas Parties

Children can wear party clothes and should bring an individual plate of food for themselves. Please avoid foods requiring refrigeration and anything containing nuts, as we have allergies in school.





# Sikh Temple







# Titanic Creations

