



Whitley News



22nd May 2026

As we come to the end of another fantastic half term, we can all reflect on how much of a successful term and final week it has been. Our school vision reminds us all to “let your light shine,” and this week our children have certainly done exactly that.

Firstly, a huge well done to our Year 6 children who represented the school brilliantly at Quad Kids. They demonstrated excellent perseverance and teamwork throughout the athletics events, showing great sportsmanship. We are incredibly proud that they achieved success across many of the events and represented the school so positively.

This morning also gave us another wonderful opportunity to celebrate the talents of our children through music. Many of our pupils who take part in instrumental and music lessons performed confidently in front of the whole school and their families.. It was lovely to see so many proud parents and carers enjoying the performances and supporting the children as they let their talents shine.

Across the rest of the school, it has been wonderful to see children embracing their learning so enthusiastically. Our Reception children especially brightened everyone’s day by coming into school dressed as their shadows, inspired by the beautiful book *My Shadow is Pink*.

In every year group, children have continued to let their light shine through their hard work, creativity, kindness and positive attitudes. Whether through excellent work in lessons, acts of friendship, sporting achievements or creative talents, we are incredibly proud of everything our pupils continue to achieve.

We would also like to apologise for the cancellation of Sports Day. Unfortunately, due to the weather, we had to make the difficult decision to postpone the event. Thank you for your understanding and continued support. The rearranged dates can now be found on our events calendar.

Finally, thank you to all of our families for your ongoing encouragement and partnership this half term. We are so proud of all our children and everything they have achieved.

We wish you all a wonderful, restful and enjoyable half term break.



Attendance continues to improve – well done everyone.

Year Group	Percentage
Reception	94.2
Year 1	95.2
Year 2	86.9
Year 3	92.5
Year 4	93.1
Year 5	96.5
Year 6	93
Overall	93

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Date	Event
01.06.26	First Day back to School
01.06.26 – 12.06.24	Y4 Multiplication Check Administration Period
04.06.26	Y3 and 4 Glendale Show Visit
08.06.26 – 12.06.26	Phonics Screening Check Administration Period
16.06.26	Y5/6 Police Workshops
17.06.26	Y6 Leavers' Service at Newcastle Cathedral – Children only
17.06.26	Whitley Friends Summer Fair
23.06.26	Y2 Tynemouth Aquarium Visit
24.06.26	Y1 Whitehouse Farm Visit
24.06.26	Y5 and 6 Tag Rugby Tournament – St Benet Biscops – information to follow
25.06.26	Y4 Parent Share
26.06.26	Reception Rising Sun Country Park Visit Y5 Centre of Life visit
30.06.26	Y6 Transition Visit to Bedlington Academy Y6 Transition Day 1 to St Benet Biscop Whole School Transition morning
01.07.26	Y6 Transition Day 2 to St Benet Biscop
02.07.26	EYFS and KS1 Sports Day – Morning Year 3 Parent Share – Afternoon
03.07.26	Y6 Performance – information to follow
08.07.26	Y3 visit to Great North Museum Y1 Parent Share Y6 Prom in the evening
09.07.26	KS2 Sports Day
14.07.26	Y6 Flamingoland Visit
17.07.26	Last Day of Term

PE Days Summer 2

Monday	Y5 and 6 Tag Rugby
Tuesday	Year 3, 4 and 6 NUFC
Thursday	Reception and Y3 – Gymnastics
Friday	Reception, Y1, Y2 and Y5 NUFC Year 4 Swimming



Reception will have Forest School on Thursday afternoon this term.



The year 6 leaver's hoodies arrived this week and they all look great! The children can wear these for the rest of the academic year.





Music Worship





Y1 Computing





Y3 Paper Making



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Y6 Quad Kids



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