

Year 4 Leavers Week

Shaun Simpson Memorial



The annual Wooler vs Belford football match returned after a few years off which was lovely to see! Year 4 showed great determination and teamwork to try and beat the other team. Sadly we lost but we'll get them next year!

Foxlake

Year 4 went to Foxlake for their leavers trip to celebrate their time at Wooler First School. All the children were super brave and tried climbing an obstacle course above water and being pulled along on a ringo.

'I loved climbing above the water at foxfall' - Jenson

'The ringo was pulled along very fast that I nearly fell in!' - Kye

Good bye Year 4 and good luck in Middle school!

Skipping Festival

Maple class have been practicing their skipping over the last few months and finally got to show them off at the skipping festival. They were very successful getting a total of 18 certificates!

'The skipping festival was so much fun. I loved doing the pretzel skip' - Jessica



The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Willow Class Visit to the Library

Willow Class had a great time at the Library celebrating the Queen's Jubilee. We read the story, The Queens Handbag and did some activities. We then chose a book out of the library to take home.



We had our very own Queen at school for the day.

Queen Mrs Ross!

Jubilee Picnic



Trident Soccer

Zach has loved doing Trident Soccer this year. I have loved playing football with Trident Soccer this year. I have scored lots of great goals this season!



Potato Growing Challenge

At the beginning of April each class from Nursery through to Year 4 was given a single potato to plant. It was their responsibility to plant it in the best possible conditions and look after it. This week we dug the potatoes and each class brought along what they had grown to be weighed. The winners received a certificate and trophy in assembly, as well as some crisps to share.

Here are the results:

1st - Cedar Class 1.75kg

2nd - Oak Class 1.5kg

3rd - Little Acorns 1.3kg

4th - Maple Class 1kg

5th - Willow Class 400g

Congratulations to **Cedar Class** on their victory.
Next Spring the challenge



YOGA

On Tuesday 21st June it was International Yoga Day. Rhiannon from Yogi Bairns visited us and the whole school from Nursery to Year 4 did some yoga.

'I loved the crazy monkey dancing!' - Paige

'I liked the meditation game' - Arthur



Oak Class had great fun doing Yoga.

'I liked going in the hole because I liked the bit where the hole was going tiny' - Honor

'I like the feather thing because it was tickling me but I didn't laugh!' - Jude

'I liked when we laid down because I felt relaxed' - Trixie



Circus Skills



We also had a visit from The Bare Toed Circus this term and all the classes in school were able to learn some circus skills. The children had lots of fun!

'I liked standing up and going upside down on the trapeze' - Melissa

'The cocoon was fun because you got to go inside it and spin about, it was like being in an aeroplane' - Isobel

'I liked the balance board, it was like a surfboard and you could do cool tricks on it' - Jack & Alfie



Moon Rock

We had a Borrow the Moon kit in school and we got to touch some Moon Rock!

'I cant believe we touched the moon!' - Jack



Geography Fieldwork

For our geography field work Year 2 and 3 designed a new park. First we visited the park in Wooler and drew a map of it then when we got back to school, after playing in the park, we designed a new park.

'My park was dog friendly, it had a park just for dogs.' - Madeleine

'I had a café in my park.' - Amelie



Beach Trip

Cedar and Willow class had a fun day at the Beach. They enjoyed exploring the rockpools and even found a crab shedding its shell!!



Countryside Day

Year 3 and 4 had a great time at Countryside Day which made a very welcome return this year.

'We looked at how they size eggs using a little machine' - Madeleine

'The calves were only 5 months old, they were really cute' - Ezra

'I loved the hounds' - Kaitlynn

'I enjoyed feeding the bees honey' - Jack



Year 3 and 4 loved their time at Countryside Day. We got to see lots of different aspects of country life and how it works. Seeing the emergency services and spraying the firefighters hose was a favourite activity for everyone!



Sponsored walk

We finally got to do our sponsored walk after missing it for so long. Year 3 and 4 had a great time! Thanks to all the helpers who came along to walk with us, we couldn't have done it without you.



The children raised a whopping £1795.94 for the PTA so far with some sponsor money still to be brought to school. Thank you!

Sports Day

Wooler First school were happy to welcome friends and family to school to watch sports day. It was lovely to see so many of you. The weather was lovely and the children were fantastic.



Coldingham Bay

Oak Class had a wonderful trip to Coldingham Bay. We went rock pooling in the morning with staff from Berwickshire Marine Reserve and found lots of interesting creatures. Then we spent the afternoon paddling in the sea and building sandcastles. We got very wet and sandy but a great time was had by all!



RAIBOW RAFFLE

On Friday 24th June we held a non-school uniform day in return of a raffle prize and each class created these fantastic hampers. Thank you to everyone who bought tickets and donated prizes for the raffle. The PTA raised £600!

Didn't the hampers look fantastic?!

Well done to the lucky winners!





Academic Calendar 2022 – 2023



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| School Holiday | Bank Holiday | Pupil Day | Training Day |
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| September 2022 | | | | | | |
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| Thu | 1 | 8 | 15 | 22 | 29 | |
| Fri | 2 | 9 | 16 | 23 | 30 | |
| Sat | 3 | 10 | 17 | 24 | | |
| Sun | 4 | 11 | 18 | 25 | | |

| October 2022 | | | | | | |
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| November 2022 | | | | | | |
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| December 2022 | | | | | | |
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| January 2023 | | | | | | |
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| February 2023 | | | | | | |
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| May 2023 | | | | | | |
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| June 2023 | | | | | | |
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| July 2023 | | | | | | |
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| August 2023 | | | | | | |
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Forest School

A special **THANK YOU** to our parent helpers and local log bank volunteers who have been busy clearing the Forest School site to enable us to get back out there in September. We had a second clearing day on Saturday 23rd July and one more is planned for August (date to follow- helpers needed!). We are also getting the brash cleared and mulched next week. Following a final safety inspection we will be able to use around one third of the woods (the part around the forest classroom) next term. We plan to continue to clear the woods over the coming months but it is a big job! After that we will be planning for re-planting and developing the site again.



The last academic year has gone by so quickly and it has been great to see school life getting back to normal. The children and staff are working incredibly hard to mitigate the impact on learning which resulted from the disruption caused by the pandemic. The children have also enjoyed lots of trips and visits making up for the lost opportunities of the last two years. We would like to say huge thank you to parents/ carers and helpers for all your continued support towards trips, visits and fundraising. Without you it simply could not happen.

We hope you all enjoy the Summer Holidays and we will see you in September!

Back to School on
Wednesday 7th September



Safeguarding

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. We are committed to safeguarding and have a culture of 'it could happen here' in all aspects of safeguarding and child protection. **Any of our staff can listen and act appropriately on your concerns.** We have specially trained safeguarding leads in our schools - these are our safeguarding team.

Our safeguarding team



Mike Deane-Hall
Headteacher and
Designated
Safeguarding
Lead (DSL)



Victoria Symons
Deputy
Headteacher and
Deputy DSL



Geoff Tong
Deputy
Headteacher and
Deputy DSL



Vicki Grey
Nursery Leader
and Deputy DSL



Jennie Dunn
SENDCo and
Deputy DSL



Rachel Bullen
SENDCo and
Deputy DSL



Sarah Milburn
Designated
Teacher for LAC
and Deputy DSL

If you are worried about a child you can:

- Contact our safeguarding team via the usual school contact channels including our main phone number 01668 281 470
- Talk to the local safeguarding team 01670 622 720 or One Call, the Local Authority's single point of access on 01670 536400
- If you believe a child is in immediate danger you should call 999 and report your concern immediately to the police.

More information and our policy on safeguarding and child protection can be found on our website.

The following organisations websites can also provide information and their helplines can listen if you have concerns:

- NSPCC 0800 800 500
- CEOP
- Childline 0800 1111