

Willow Class Visit the Hirsell

Willow Class had great fun at the Hirsell. We made healthy Pizzas and found out about the crops they grow and what food we would find in them.

'I make my own bread at home so I'm good at kneading' - Brodie

'It was great fun making the healthy pizza' said all of Willow class!!

'We found out that Maltesers have barley in them' - Isobel

'We saw some highland cows, you can tell how old they are by the size of their horns' - Madeleine



Cedar class enjoyed a trip to the Hirsell with Willow class where they enjoyed doing some map work and making pizza's.



The History Bloke

Willow class had a great morning when Richard The History Bloke came in to tell us all about the Romans. He brought in lots of artefacts like a Roman helmet, a shield and even armour that Miss Matthews had to put on - it was very heavy!! We had to pretend we were in a Roman army and marched, stood to attention and even saluted. He showed us lots of other things from Roman times too.



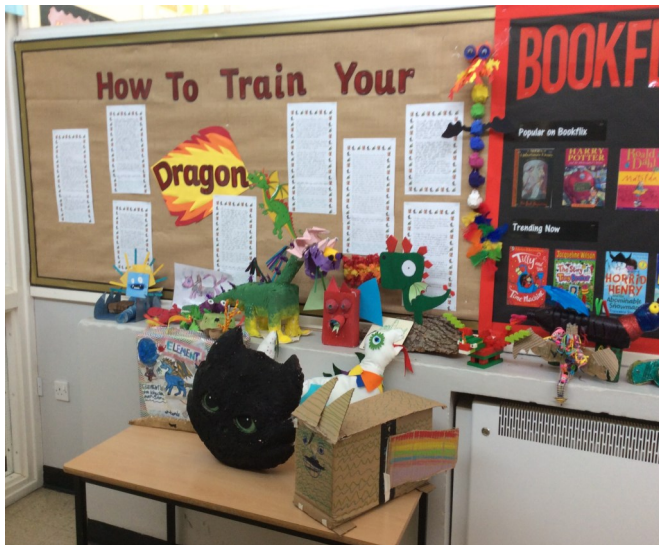
Ask your child about the stick with the sponge on the end!! We looked at the Roman alphabet and used ink and a Roman pen to write our names. We even played a game called Rota which was great fun. In music we sang a Roman song called Just Like a Roman. Also have a look at the mosaics we made, they are amazing!



Cedar class thoroughly enjoyed our history workshop earlier this term. We got to try on some Victorian clothes and we really enjoyed playing with the different old toys that he brought in to share with us.

How To Train Your Dragon

The children in Maple class have been reading *How To Train Your Dragon* and have put a lot of effort into writing a story opening.



To celebrate their brilliant pieces of writing we decided to create our own dragons at home. All of these eye-catching dragons have been on show in the corridor and Sophie won the prize for best dragon!

Ad Gefrin

On a lovely sunny spring day in mid-March children from both of our schools were invited to join the community event to welcome the new stills to Ad Gefrin in Wooler. Year 4 and Year 8 were chosen as our two oldest year groups to attend and we all enjoyed the spectacle of the stills arriving and making their way along the high street and down to Ad Gefrin. The high street was packed with members of the community old and young and it was lovely to get our children back out to a community event after the last 2 years where we have not been able to do so. Thank you to the parents and family members who were able to join us for this event and to Curtis and Dan, our local police officers, for their assistance getting us safely across the A697.



The Human Body

In science, Willow class have been learning about the human body. We carried out an investigation to see if the person with the longest femur could jump the furthest. Ask your child what we found out.



World Maths Day

On Wednesday 23rd March we celebrated World Maths Day. In Oak, cherry and cedar class we did this by applying our maths skills to play games. While Willow and Maple class created their own maths based board games for others to play.



"I made an odd and even game" - Melissa

"I made a cats and ladders game, you had to go up the ladders and if you land on a cat you had to go back down" - Isobel

"My game was all about maths dares!" - Amelie

Shrove Tuesday, Holi and Norooz

This half term we have learnt about different festivals, who celebrates them and about some of the traditions.

On shrove Tuesday we made pancakes and added toppings we had written on our list. Then we talked about what Christian people do at Lent and about what we could give up for Lent and how difficult this could be. Miss Symons and Mrs Cockroft agreed with the children that they would try to give up chocolate - so far so good!

We also learnt about the Hindu festival of Holi, the festival of colour. We made colourful pictures by blowing paint and also tried some traditional dancing.

Norooz is the celebration of the arrival of spring Equinox. This festival is celebrated by one of the families in Oak Class and it was very interesting to find out about. Felix shared how his family celebrated with the class and we painted eggs like those that would be included on the Haft-sin table.



Sponsored Bunny Hop

Little Acorns and Oak class have completed their sponsored Bunny Hop to raise money to help replace the playhouse in the shared outdoor area. Thank you all who have sponsored, we have raised £790. We would also like to thank The Traybake Fairy for a generous donation of £75 which has taken our total to £1530.50 so far!! Thank you everyone.



Science Week in Oak Class

During science week we explored floating and sinking. The children tested objects by placing them in a tub of water and recorded their results.

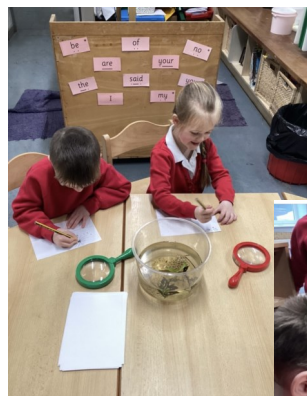


We also had fun with colour using skittles and hot water. The children predicted what they thought would happen before the hot water was added. They were amazed when a rainbow appeared.



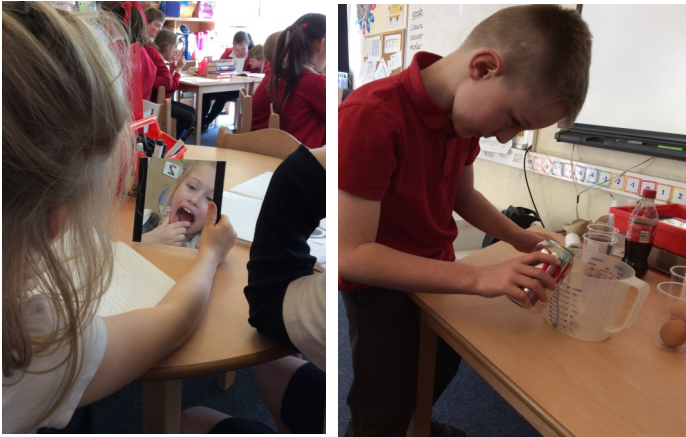
New Life

We have Caterpillars and Frogspawn in Oak Class this half term. We have looked closely at them and drawn and labelled what we could see. We talked about the life cycle of these creatures and have looked at books and information about them together. Fingers crossed they change before the Easter holidays arrive!



Science

We have had some super scientists in Maple class this half term. We have been checking our own teeth and finding out what happens when we drink sugary drinks! We couldn't believe the damage they caused! Luke says, "I can't believe how bad orange juice is for your teeth!"



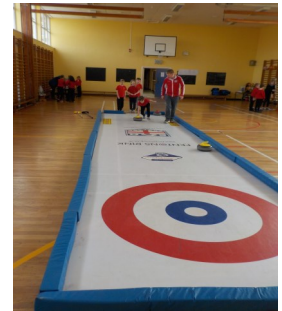
Curling

Glendale Curling Club brought curling to Wooler First School and shared the history of the sport in an assembly with us and we got to take part in some curling in the gym. Willow class thought it was great fun!

"The stones were really heavy" *Amelie*

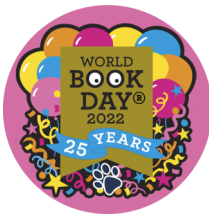
"You had to run then push the stone" *Kieran*

"The mini curling was hard, I kept pushing it too far"
- *Melissa*



World Book Day

The whole school took part in a World Book Day masked reader challenge. Cherry class enjoyed sharing their favourite stories with each other on World Book Day



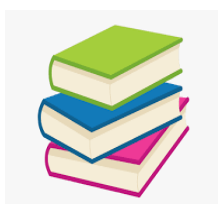
Cedar Class enjoyed their Curling taster session and made models of the Curling rink.

COMIC RELIEF

Little Acorns, Wooler First School and Glendale Middle School held a non school uniform day to raise money for Comic Relief. We raised £222.50. Thank you! The school council thought it would be a good idea to create a habitat for their red noses. They were great!



Congratulations to winners. They all received a book token to buy a new book.



Easter Assembly

It was wonderful to finally be able to welcome our families in to school to watch the Easter assembly. The children sang beautifully and year 4 did some lovely readings. Thank you to everyone who came to watch.



Cross Country

On Wednesday 23rd March we were invited to Longridge Towers to take part in cross country. It was very wet but we had a brilliant time.

"I loved doing cross country. The rain and mud made it more fun!" *James*

"Cross country was really fun but also really hard!" *Izzy*



Rugby

Willow class have had a great time this term playing rugby with Dougie from Berwick rugby club. He was very impressed with them all and was eager to recruit some new players!!



Easter Egg Competition



...and the **WINNERS** are...

The Children's Easter Eggs were fantastic this year. It was so difficult to pick the Winners!

Little Acorns - Brodie & Heidi

Oak - Alexander & Cooper

Cherry - Abi & Todd

Cedar - Gabrielius & William

Willow - Melissa & Kaitlynn

Maple - Zach & Eden





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

Information and Activities

Northumberland Needs You!

Would you be interested in becoming a
Childminder for your local area?

What are the benefits?

- You can be your own boss, running your own business from your own home
- Flexible working patterns
- Rewarding work - helping children to flourish into happy, confident young people
- Financially rewarding

You could be eligible to access the
Childminder Recruitment Package and
receive all your introductory training for just
£100!

If you would like to find out more, contact
the Northumberland Early Years Team at:
earlyyearsteam@northumberland.gov.uk



highlights

rural touring scheme

Pinocchio Norwich Puppet Theatre



Tue 12 Apr 2022 - 2:00 pm
Haltwhistle Library

[Book](#)

Free entry

Telephone **01434 321863**

Wed 13 Apr 2022 - 2:00 pm
The Community Hub at Cramlington

[Book](#)

Free entry

Telephone **01670 620394**

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How to join

It could not be easier. Simply visit
www.northumbriaconnected.co.uk
and sign up by clicking on the 'Join Now' button.
We will email you a link to the app to download.
It's that simple!



Why join?

- Northumbria Connected allows you to share your priorities, concerns and views with us directly
- You will receive information that you want to receive from us on those matters that affect you and your communities most
- Northumbria Connected makes Northumbria Police more accessible to you
- Northumbria Connected allows you to share your feedback with Northumbria Police on how you think we have tackled the problem
- Northumbria Connected allows you to create groups with other people in your area with the same interests

MORPETH BOOK FESTIVAL 2022

SATURDAY 9TH APRIL

- 11am to Noon A Conversation with Ann Charters
Pleasant to Meet You—Tickets £10*
- 1pm to 2.30pm
With Bridget Gubbins, Barbara Fox,
Mike Havert, Scott Wrightman
Pleasant to Meet You—Tickets £10*
- 2.30pm to 4.30pm
Murder & Mayhem
Helen Bridgett, Trevor Wood, Fiona
Erdine, Robert Strong
Fiona Vitch Smith,
Pleasant to Meet You—Tickets £10*
- 7pm to 9pm
An Evening with Neil Hannah
Pleasant to Meet You—Tickets £10*
- 9pm to 11.30pm
Session 1 Our Solar System/Building
telescopes
Session 2 Deep Space (looking for
aliens)
Pleasant to Meet You—Tickets £5*
- 12 Noon
Poetry Afternoon
With Catherine Arves, Edna Beer
(12.30 pm), Roy Heath (12.40pm)
Pleasant to Meet You—Tickets £5*
- 1.45pm
Barbara Frangle
Ellen Peckham (2.05pm)
Catherine Graham (2.30pm)
Pleasant to Meet You—Tickets £5*
- 3.20pm
Elaine Cunick, David Roe, (3.40pm)
Harry Gallagher (4pm) Jan Clark
(4.25pm)
Pleasant to Meet You—Tickets £5*

SUNDAY 10TH APRIL

- 11.15am to Noon Adventure Babies with Ashleigh Dale
Pleasant to Meet You—Tickets £5*
- 1pm to 3pm
RSPB & Burren Box
Pleasant to Meet You—Free Drop In
- 2.30pm to 3.30pm The Adventures of Penelope
With Penny Clare McAndrews
Pleasant to Meet You—Free
- 3.30pm to 4.30pm
Biography:
With Greg Christie
Pleasant to Meet You—Tickets £10*
- 4.30pm to 5.30pm
Historical Fiction
With Alice Wilkinson
Pleasant to Meet You—Tickets £10*
- 5.30pm to 6.30pm
A Conversation with Gilda Young
Pleasant to Meet You—Tickets £10*
- 6.30pm to 7.30pm
Dystopian Fiction
With Chuck Hogan (recorded interview)
Mark Evans, Amy Lord & Sarah Elliott
Pleasant to Meet You—Tickets £10*
- 12 Noon
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Tickets Available Now From www.guideevents.eventbrite.co.uk * excludes booking fee

WOOLER TENNIS ACTIVITY

Games - Competitions - Matches - Coaching - Prizes

Wooler tennis club is running a variety of fun tennis coaching and competitions during the spring & summer including Easter, June 1st term & summer holidays.

Easter Holiday Tennis Camps

- Wednesday's 13th & 20th of April 2022
- 7yrs+
- 2pm-4pm
- £5 per player
- All players MUST BOOK their place



June 1st term (including Tennis Camps)

- Wednesday 1st of June 2022
- 7yrs+
- 2pm-4pm
- £5 per player
- All players MUST BOOK their place

Wooler Junior Club Term

- Saturday's starting 11th of June 2022
- 7yrs+
- 2pm-4pm
- Free to Wooler TC members
- Beth runs these sessions her contact is 07538237332 for further information

Summer Holiday Tennis

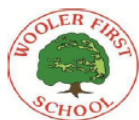
- These sessions will be during the 6-week school holidays
- Days/dates/times TBC
- Most likely Tuesday mornings or Wednesday afternoons
- Confirmation will be in June

Key player information

All players MUST BOOK THEIR PLACE - contact Phil on 0771479026 to book or for further information
All camps have a minimum and maximum number of players required to go ahead
Rackets can be provided
Players should bring a drink and clothes suitable for the weather conditions and playing tennis.
If the weather makes it not suitable to play - all players who have booked can be notified if we have to cancel.
Payment can be made on the day or ideally via bank transfer to Wooler TC.
Account number 10961868 - Sort code 20-58-17 please add your surname as reference.

Easter Family Activities

Join us at Berwick Museum & Art Gallery and Paxton House for a fun-filled Easter. Take part in creative problem-solving activities, botanical painting, edible construction, music, and more.



Academic Calendar 2021 – 2022



 School Holiday	 Bank Holiday	 Pupil Day	 Training Day
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September 2021							October 2021							November 2021							December 2021						
Mon		6	13	20	27		Mon		4	11	18	25		Mon		1	8	15	22	29	Mon		6	13	20	27	
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January 2022							February 2022							March 2022							April 2022						
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May 2022							June 2022							July 2022							August 2022						
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Payment policy reminder: school dinners are payable in advance on Mondays for the full week ahead, or on the first day of the week your child attends. The school will not provide more than 3 meals without payment being received. If there are arrears, the service will be suspended and we will ask you to send your child to school with a packed lunch until the arrears are cleared. A soup with bread and a choice of fruit for dessert will be served if your child is sent to school without a packed lunch. This will be charged at the usual school meal price. Daily reminders are sent from the cashless system to update parents on any outstanding arrears and a link is available to make payment. Should you have issues using the system, please ring the school immediately so that we can help you or bring cash to the school office.

Thank you



Parent Governor Vacancy

We have one more vacancy for a Parent Governor. If you would like any information please contact school office.

Quiz Night

The Easter Quiz night has been rescheduled until 20th May.

Bring a bottle and some nibbles to enjoy!

There are some Super Prizes to be won!

Email preschool@woolerandglendale.co.uk to book

- School Re - opens on Monday 25th April.
- Class Photographs on Monday 25th April - please send your child to school in uniform.

Thank you

