



## Winlaton West Lane Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a week it's been! Our children have returned for the summer term ready and raring to go – healthy, happy, and full of energy. We're so pleased to see them settling back into school life, and we're equally delighted that the weather has finally started to change and bring us some much-needed sunshine.

Of course, no week in school ever runs entirely to plan! Wednesday morning presented us with quite the unexpected challenge when the water supply decided to take an unscheduled day off. I have to say, your patience and understanding with this was admirable. On Thursday morning on our return, we were already joking about whether we'd need to come into school on Saturday to make up the time! On a serious note though, we are reassured that the problem has been fixed and we shouldn't experience further disruption moving forward.



Due to the cancellation of class photographs this week, we now have a new date rescheduled to **next Tuesday, 28th April**. I know many of you have already worked your magic – curling hair, creating beautiful plaits, and taming those flyaway bits – so we're asking you to go through the process one more time. We do appreciate your patience with this change, and we're looking forward to capturing some lovely images of our children.

We're also excited to share that Winlaton West Lane Primary School has been selected for the Tesco Stronger Starts in-store vote! Our project, Outdoor Forest School Clothing, aims to provide waterproof suits and wellington boots so children can stay warm and dry during outdoor learning in all weathers. You can support us by voting in Tesco Rowlands Gill Express or Tesco Wickham Front Street Express from Tuesday 28th April until the end of July. Simply make any purchase in store to receive a voting token and drop it into our slot. Every vote counts—thank you for helping us give our children the best outdoor learning experiences!

This week, we welcomed a visitor from the National Foundation for Educational Research (NFER), who came into Year 6 Oak to complete some trial assessments. I am absolutely delighted to share that the visitor was extremely complimentary about the behaviour and attitude of our children. In fact, he commented that in his ten years of visiting schools in this role, he has never encountered such an exceptional class.

We are incredibly proud of all of our children here at West Lane, and this is a wonderful reflection of the high standards they demonstrate every day. Well done to Year 6 Oak – and to all our pupils – for being such brilliant ambassadors for our school.



**'Showing up today plants the seeds for tomorrow's success'.**

Our whole school attendance this week is 95.8 % which is just above the national average of 94.6%. Thank you for your continued efforts to support our children coming to school.



N: Emmy	Rec: Charlie	Y1 C: Rosie	Y1 H: Harper	Y2 E: James	Y3 E: Evie M	
Y3 R: Noah	Y4 A: Mason	Y4 B: Belle	Y5 B: Harry F	Y5 L: Maya B	Y6 A: Isla	Y6 O: Tia



Eagles	Hawks	Owls	Red Kites
328	427	426	383

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and understanding.

Colette Bell  
Head Teacher

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