



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been such a busy October here in Wolviston Primary. This month has included a visit to [Segedunum Roman Fort](#) for Class 3, a new timeline installation in the hall, sporting events for Y5/6's and a learning together session for Early Years. I hope everyone has a restful half term break as we look forward to what next term has in store!

Kindest regards, **Mrs. S. Hawes**

HALLOWEEN

Children throughout school made a very special effort and came to school dressed in some weird and wonderful Halloween costumes this month. **All children** from Reception through to Y6 children attended the disco.



Miss Dodds and Mrs Henry organised the disco; going the extra mile to decorate the hall, organising a number of fun games and activities. A huge thank you to them both from all the children and staff, as we all thoroughly enjoyed the event.

SAFEGUARDING REMINDERS

If you have worries or concerns about a pupil, please don't hesitate to speak to one of the people named below, in confidence.

Mrs. S. Hawes is the Designated Safeguarding Lead. **Mrs. J. Whitehill** and **Mrs S. Gunston** are the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads. **Mrs. V. Morrow** is the Safeguarding Governor.

ONLINE SAFETY

The online world is posing an ever-increasing risk to children, and it is important that schools, parents, and carers continue to work together to take an active role in teaching children about online dangers.

Governors and school leaders have shown their commitment to protecting and safeguarding your children by teaching them how to act safely when using the internet.

Through our subscription to National College and National Online Safety, we are able to offer all parents and carers **free** access to a range of resources which include short courses, online videos and weekly guides covering a range of topics.

We encourage all parents and carers to follow the link below to access helpful information.

[National Online Safety](#)

You can access National Online Safety via any device. To download the app, please go to: [Apple](#) or [Android](#)



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to all children celebrating their special day. We hope you have a lovely day with family and friends.



Nursery	Daniel, Elisa
Class 1	Sofi
Class 2	Willow, Ezmae
Class 3	Ellie, Bodhi
Class 4	Monty, Anna



LEADING THE WAY IN EARLY YEARS TRAINING

Wolviston Primary has recently become an [Early Excellence Partner School](#). This month we welcomed a number of EY practitioners to join us in a full day of training, linked to learning in the outdoor environment. This was a fantastic opportunity for us to showcase our indoor environment and to share experiences with colleagues from the North East.



SCHOOL COUNCIL



School Council have been working hard organising a whole school fitness challenge for Children in Need. We will be sending full details in the first week back following half term.

To finish the week, School council will host a bake sale on Friday 17th November and would be thankful for any donations

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE - SEPTEMBER 2023

Attendance and punctuality are really important, children who attend school on time and every day are far more likely to achieve their maximum potential.

We monitor statutory attendance and categorise as follows:

- Blue** - 100%
- Green** - 96.1% - 99%
- Amber** - 93.1% - 96%
- Red** - below 93%

Class 1 - YR	97.19%
Class 2 - Y1/2	92.53%
Class 3 - Y3/4	95.92%
Class 4 - Y5/6	96.32%
Whole School	94.77%

TERM DATES

Important Dates

Half Term Holiday: **30th Oct** – **3rd November '23**

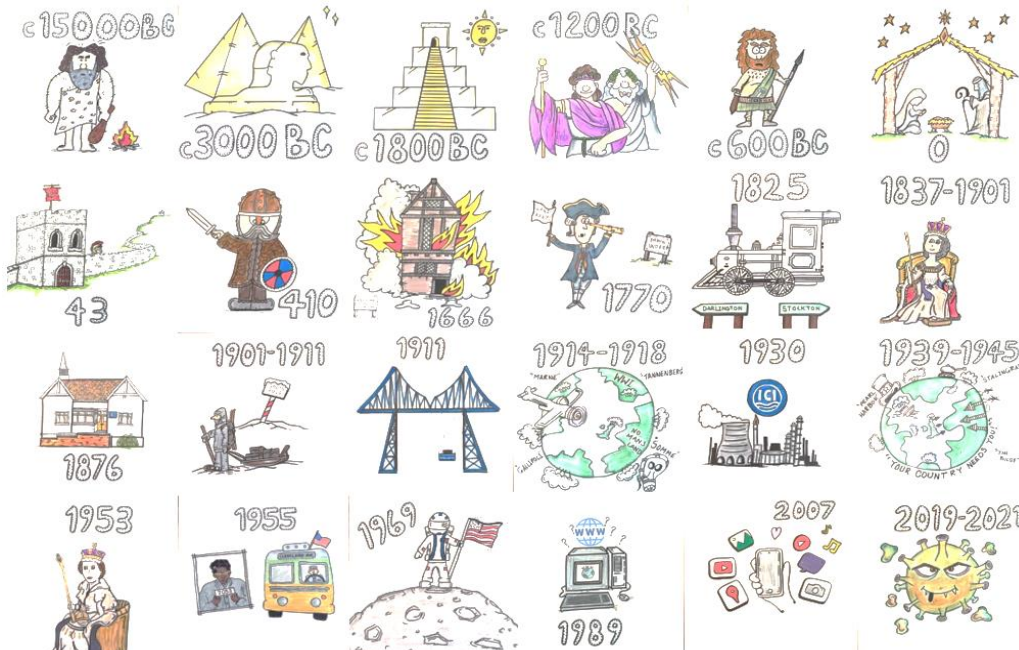
Autumn Term 2: **SCHOOL REOPENS Monday 6th November**

NOTICEBOARD

Our school noticeboard has been repositioned to the front of the school making it easier to view. Please take a moment to read the notices which will be updated throughout the year.

TIMELINE

Through your generous support we have been able to commission a local artist to paint a visual timeline to aid the children's understanding and discussion of history topics and chronology. Parents and carers will be able to see the recently installed timeline in the hall during next month's parent consultations.



EY AUTUMN WALK

Early Years have been exploring seasonal changes. They went on a walk around the village to spot signs of Autumn.



They had lots of fun crunching through the leaves and collecting conkers.



PARENT CONSULTATIONS - SAVE THE DATE/S

Telephone Call From 2pm	Face to Face From 2pm	Telephone Call From 2pm
13 th November	14 th November	15 th November
Class 1 Class 2	Class 1, 2, 3 & 4	Class 3 Class 4

After last year's success, we will be giving parents/carers the choice of how they would like to discuss their child's progress.

A letter, detailing how to book an appointment, will be sent to when we return after the half term break.



Staff look forward to celebrating the success of your child's learning journey, sharing ways in which you can further support and answering any questions. For further information please follow this [link](#).

LEARNING TOGETHER SESSION - EARLY YEARS

Thank you to all the families who attended the **Learning Together** event in Early Years. We enjoyed many Halloween crafts including threading wool to make a spider's web and practising our cutting skills to make spooky, spiral ghosts.



Y5/6 SPORTS EVENTS

Well done to Ava and Everly who qualified for the Tees Valley cross country finals. A big congratulations to Ava who finished 29th out of around 100 competitors in the Year 6 race.

Class 4 attended a full day tag rugby competition, facing schools from across Stockton. Everyone had the opportunity to showcase their skills and each of our teams was unlucky not to finish in the top three. It was fantastic to see the sportsmanship that was displayed by all the children throughout the day.

Class 4 attended Durham University's Queen's Campus to compete in various track and field events against other schools. They showed real enthusiasm when competing and should be really proud of their efforts.

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATION DEADLINE

Applications for secondary school Year 7 intake closes on **31st October '23**. Late applications will be considered after those received on time.

Details can be found on this [website](#)



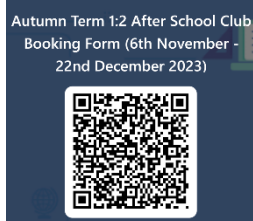
AUTUMN TERM 1:2 - AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

We are very happy to provide wrap around care for all Wolviston Primary pupils. This is a fantastic service which provides structured care and support for your child and is led by qualified staff who know and see your child in school every day.

Booking for next half term will open on

Friday 27th October at 6pm

To book please follow one of the links...



<https://forms.office.com/e/bhaWSSTMFV>

Please complete a **separate form** for each child, to help with our attendance registers.

Thank you in advance.

PLEASE NOTE: We are unable to offer Night Owls (4.10pm - 5.40pm) on 22nd December '23

All children will need to be picked up at 4.10pm. Late fines will apply

Monday - Craft Club

Children will be provided with a range of seasonal themed craft activities which will promote creativity.

Tuesday - Homework Club

Children will be supported with their activities and will be able to access Times Table Rockstars, Spelling Shed, Reading PlusMirodo and Doodle Maths

Wednesday - KS2 Sports Club - EY/KS1 Book Club

Whilst KS2 children will play a team sport with Miss Robson, EY/KS1 children will listen and respond to a range of stories and complete related activities.

Thursday - Drawing Club

Back by popular demand, children will follow along with Bob to draw a range of pictures.

Friday - Chill Out with Mindfulness Club

A range of mindful techniques will be further explored, including focused tasks and exercises.