



STARS OF THE WEEK

Eliza McNicoll
Sophia Smith
Adam Lewis
Cobi Moore
Piper Milroy
Lucas McMonagle
Nancy Baxter
Lilly Brown
Jennie Tuff

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

OVERALL LAST WEEK (R-Y6): **95.3%**
This year: Target: 95.8% Actual: **95.6%**

	Last Week	This Year	Lates this week
YR (Lobsters)	98.8%	95.0%	2
Y1 (Jellyfish)	95.7%	96.1%	1
Y2 (Puffins)	96.0%	96.2%	1
Y3 (Seals)	95.9%	94.8%	1
Y4 (Terns)	95.2%	94.9%	0
Y5 (Heron)	97.6%	95.7%	1
Y6 (Curlews)	93.3%	95.9%	2

2026 SCHOOL DIARY

Week Beg. 16th March	SEND Parents' Evenings
Friday 20th March	Non-Uniform day in return for items for our Easter Chocolate Raffle
Mon 23rd & Tues 24th March	Parents Evenings
Monday 23rd March	Year 1 visit to Northumberland Zoo (Eshott)
Monday 30th March	Year 2 Gymnastics Festival- Ashington
Thursday 2nd April	2pm—School Closes for Easter Holiday
Mon 11th -Thurs 14th May	YEAR 6 SATS WEEK
Monday 8th—Friday 12th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Week

ALL HOLIDAY DATES FOR 2025-26 and 2026-27 CAN BE FOUND ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE [HERE](#).

SCIENCE DAY

As part of National Science Week, the children have been exploring science through a range of activities. Each key stage amalgamated classes to focus on an area of science using practical activities to support the children's understanding of their topic:

Early Years explored plants where they investigated, "What a seed needs to grow?" Children used the story Jack & the Beanstalk to inspire their gardening skills and plant pansies, beans and sunflowers

Key Stage 1 children completed a Space Camp where children completed space art, identified planets in a blackout tent, created a constellation from marshmallows and pasta and tested straw rockets.

Lower Key Stage 2 used questioning skills to explore floating and sinking. Children tested objects and researched, "What makes an object float or sink?" Children worked in groups to create a tinfoil boat that could hold the most mass.

Upper Key Stage 2 explored the Central Nervous System to find out how the brain works and can pass messages to the rest of the body.

The children made model brains and neurons which they labelled with their functions. Year 6 created a nervous system using electrical components to simulate the brain innovating a muscle or organ of the body. The children thoroughly enjoyed the day. A big thank you to Mr O'Malley, our science coordinator for organizing the day and securing the funding for the resources that were used. See our Facebook page for lots more photos from around the classes.



PARENTS EVENINGS

Next week, we will be holding our SEND Parents evenings followed by Parents Evenings for all other children the week after. Appointments should be booked through the Arbor app. Which also lets you go back in and see when your appointment is. Please make sure that you attend your appointment as, in the past, we have had a number of 'no shows' that teachers have stayed in school late especially for. Finding out how your child is doing and how you can help them is a key part of working in partnership with school for the benefit of the children.

EASTER EXPERIENCE

Year Three and Year Five visited St. Cuthbert's Church on Monday to take part in Experience Easter led by a team of volunteers. The children took part in various practical and thought provoking activities to develop their understanding of the Christian Easter story. Sister Penny who led the event was highly impressed with the children's behaviour and manners as they moved around the various stations in the church.



Y6 LONDON FUNDRAISING QUIZ

We were delighted to see nearly 60 'Quiz Brains' take part in Tuesday evening's fundraising Quiz at the Radcliffe Club organised by Y6 parents and hosted by Quizmaster John Fannon. The evening was great fun and with a raffle and football cards, £1100 was raised meaning that the cost of the trip for all children will be reduced by £50. Thanks to everyone who was involved with the evening and for helping towards this trip. Look out for a sponsored walk coming soon!

NON-UNIFORM DAY NEXT FRIDAY

Next Friday we are inviting the children to come into school in non-uniform next Friday in return for prizes for our Easter Chocolate Raffle. As usual, all of the donations become prizes for the raffle and we also make sure that **all** children have an Easter treat to bring home regardless of whether they win in the raffle or not. All funds raised go towards providing extra resources or experiences for the children.



YEAR 6 MOCK SATS

This week, our Y6 children have completed their mock SATs in preparation for the real tests that they will be taking in May. We have been highly impressed by the way that they have approached these challenging tests with such maturity and positive attitudes and this has been reflected in their results.