



Windermere Primary School Newsletter 30th January 2026

A word from the Headteacher

Another third of the half term complete- it certainly is flying by.

We have been talking with the children about how they are using and looking after the play equipment and wet play games. We use the following phrase to help remind them: Choose it, Use it, Put it away. This is a great way to help the children organise shared items, look after the equipment and develop independence. You could try it at home with their toys!

Wishing you all a good weekend.

Sarah Gilliver

Assembly Theme and Value

This half term we have been exploring the themes of **Compassion**. We continue to explore what compassion is, thinking about sacrifices made to show support and compassion. We have also explored the Golden Rule (ask your child) and how this links with showing and earning respect. We have celebrated children who recognise the sacrifices of others and those who understand the Golden Rule.

EdShed and TT Rockstars

Children in Years 1-6 have a login for EdShed. This is an online platform for practising spellings with fun games to use instead of writing words out in the spelling book. Children also have access to TT Rockstars for practising Times tables with a range of games and points to earn. This really helps children access lots of other parts of maths.

Please support your child to access these, even if just 5 minutes per day. If you can't access, please let your child's teacher know.

Attendance Matters

When reporting your child's absence, please be as specific as possible with the reasons/symptoms e.g. if a stomach bug, please specify if vomiting or diarrhoea; if other virus linked such as flu please tell us. This helps us to track if particular illnesses are spreading through a year group and allows us to take action in school and where needed to report to the local health protection team.

Drama Workshop

Reception and Year 1/2 had a workshop on Toys from visiting drama group Perform. They imagined they were toys and created facial expressions, dramatic pauses and actions of toys and played the 'banana game' which was a lot of fun.

You can find details of Perform on our website under News and Events > Community Activities.

Uniform reminder

Children's shoes should be black school shoes or plain black trainers. Coloured trainers, Converse and high tops are not allowed. Children must have a separate pair of trainers for PE.

Dates for your Diary:

5 th Feb	PTA disco
9 th -13 th Feb	Children's Mental Health Week
10 th & 12 th Feb	Parent Consultations
10 th Feb	Safer Internet Day
16 th -20 th Feb	Half Term
19 th Feb	Game On holiday camp
5 th March	Year 6 Cake Sale
11 th -13 th March	Y6 residential
18 th March	Voice in a Million- Choir
20 th March	Rocksteady Concert

Ask Your Child...

This is a way to start to discuss your child's learning. You aren't expected to know the answers but can encourage them to share what they have been learning about.

R- If you could have any pet, what would it be and why?

1/2- How do you do a paradiddle?

3- Which material is the best for a car to travel quickly and why?

4- Can you explain the informal methods of multiplication?

5- How do you convert an improper fraction to a mixed number?

6- Describe the creature from the Windermere Spiderwick field guide