



# USWORTH COLLIERY PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Weekly Newsletter

2<sup>nd</sup> May 2025

Welcome back to our Summer term. It was lovely to see all the children back and raring to go on Monday. This term is an incredibly busy one with lots of events and activities so keep an eye on the term date section at the bottom of each newsletter. We will also send you messages and reminders as always. Remember this weekend is a bank holiday weekend so children are back to school on Monday. Let's hope this weather holds!

### ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

#### This week's class attendance figures:

Classes with 96% and above are in the **green zone!**

Classes with 90% and below are in the **red zone!**

RAW	93.81%	3CB	97%
RLC	88.26%	3RL	92.61%
1BD	99.17%	4EH	100%
1RD	94.8%	4SP	98.33%
2EP	96.67%	5GS	94%
2JB	95.5%	5JW	97.5%
Base Red	89%	6CS	98.33%
Base Yellow	96.72%	6JM	86.54%
Base Blue	93.64%	Thrive	100%

This week's winner of the 100% attendance certificate and Just Eat voucher is **Isaac** in **Base Blue**

Congratulations to **4EH** and **Thrive** for the best attendance this week at **100%**

Whole school attendance **91.5%**

### 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF VE DAY CELEBRATION IN SCHOOL 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY

On Thursday 8th May we will be celebrating the 80th anniversary of VE Day. Each class will be learning about the event and will have a picnic in class to celebrate the historical anniversary.

Although there is no obligation for parents/carers to provide any food, if you would like to bring a small item of party food to share between the classes, please could you send sweet or savoury items as listed below (this ensures there is a range of party food to share within the year group):

RAW: sweet RLC: savoury

1RD: sweet 1DB: savoury

2EP: sweet 2JB: savoury

3CB: sweet 3RL: savoury

4SP: sweet 4EH: savoury

5JW: sweet 5GS: savoury

6CS: sweet 6JM: savoury

Thrive, Base Blue, Base Yellow and Base Red: sweet or savoury



### WHO HAS BEEN IN MY OFFICE THIS WEEK?

**Sophia, Harrison Saphira, Treasure, Jacob and Mary-Ann 5JW** have been doing some very high-level problem solving. They were given a number Jumbler and spent the morning working out how the machine could guess the answers using their mathematical knowledge of multiples of nine. They worked really well as part of a team and supported each other to find new ways to approach the complex problem.

**Ava, Livia and Scarlett 6JM** have been tackling some very tricky practise SAT questions about circles and in particular the relationship between the radius and the diameter. These girls were super confident!

**Travis 5GS** has managed his first full week of ticks and stickers on his award chart for concentration, listening, completing work and focusing on his learning. This is an amazing achievement and he was nearly as proud of himself as his teacher was of him. Super effort Travis Well done!

## UNIFORM RECYCLING BANK

Thank you to those parents and carers who have been dropping off preloved uniform to restock our uniform recycling bank. This is such a great resource that helps both our pockets and the environment. If you have any school uniform that your child had grown out of, please donate it to school by dropping it off either with the class teacher or in the man office. All donations are so greatly appreciated.

## RECOMMENDED READS AND NEW RELEASES

### BASIL DREAMS BIG BY LU FRASER



An adorable story about self-belief from the creators of Mavis the Bravest and One Camel Called Doug.

'How do I steer? And how do I stop? What if I lose all my UPNESS and ... drop?'

Basil the bat doesn't believe he can fly. No matter how hard he tries, he just can't do it. But when a thundering storm threatens the safety of his beloved friend, Moth, will Basil find his wings and believe in the bat he CAN be? Perfect for having conversations about fears and self-confidence with little ones. A touching tale of friendship and bravery!

## AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS FOR THE SUMMER TERM

Day	Club name	Staff	Year Groups
Monday	Mindful Colouring	Mrs Allen	3-6
Monday	Art Club	Miss Coxon	Rec-2
Monday	Book club	Miss Brown	2-6
Monday	Exercise Games	Miss Armstrong	3-4
Monday	Construction Club	Mrs Justice	2-3
Tuesday	Film club	Mrs Jones	1-6
Tuesday	Lego Club	Mrs Edmunds/Mrs Green	1-6
Wednesday	Creative Sparks	Culture Start	3-6
Thursday	KS1 Homework	Miss Davidson	1-2
Thursday	Friends of God - FOG	Mrs Burrell	2-4

## SUMMER TERM DATES

Events next week

New dates added

Tuesday 6th May	5JW Synagogue Visit
Wednesday 7th May	5GS Synagogue Visit
Thursday 8th May	VE day celebrations in school.
Thursday 8th May	Y1 Church visit
Monday 12th May	SATs Week
Monday 19th May	<del>Reception visit to St Mary's Lighthouse</del>
Monday 20th May	<del>Reception visit to St Mary's Lighthouse</del>
Monday 12th May	RAW - Library visit
Wednesday 14th May	Stay and Play Base Blue (1.30pm)
Friday 16th May	RLC - Library visit
Saturday 17th May	Science Is My Superpower
Wednesday 21st May	Base Blue and Thrive visit to West Boldon Lodge
Thursday 22nd May	Y3/4 Careers Fair
Friday 23rd May	Geography Ambassadors visiting Washington Old Hall
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	<b>Children finish for half term</b>
	<b>Half Term 26<sup>th</sup> May- 1<sup>st</sup> June</b>
Monday 2nd June	<b>School reopens for children</b>
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	MTC Screener week 1
Tuesday 3rd June	Reception Mini Movers Intergenerational Visits
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Science in My Superpower (pm)

Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	London visit parents meeting (5pm)
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5 Film Workshop
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5 Film Workshop
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5/6 Girls Cricket
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Phonics screener week
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	MTC Screener week 2
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Kooth visiting Y6
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Class Photos
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Rise Family Learning Morning
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 Sing Sunderland
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Centre for Life
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Centre for Life
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	PSHCE/Mental Health Open Morning
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	RLC - Library visit
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5 and Y6 Careers Fair
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception Edinburgh Zoo
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 6 Transition to secondary days (3 days)
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Reception Mini Movers Intergenerational Visit
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	London trip (Thursday and Friday)
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 4 WW2 Beamish Trip
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Y2 visiting Sunderland Marina Oyster Project
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Rocksteady Summer concert (am)
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	EYFS/KS1 Sports afternoon
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	6JM Wilderness Trip
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	6CS Wilderness Trip
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception Rise Family Learning
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception Rise Family Learning
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 Sports afternoon
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Leavers Performances (9:30am and 5:30pm)
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Reports sent home
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	EYFS/KS1 Celebration assembly
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	KS2 Celebration Assembly
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9:15am

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September - School re-opens for children.**

## TWITTER STARS

Remember to check out this week's Twitter Stars! These are tweeted on: @TStarKS1\_UCPS or @TStarKS2\_UCPS. They also appear on @UCPrimary and on our website Twitter feed

## HOUSE POINTS

Check out our house point counter at <https://www.usworthcolliery.co.uk/children/house-point-counter>. Children are awarded points throughout the week for following the Colliery Code. This week's classes with the most house points are:

**1st – 3RL 2nd – 6JM 3rd – 1BD**

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## NOTICES



# Join ParkPlay!

Make friends, have fun, get moving.  
FREE every Saturday morning.

**#MeetMovePlay**



## Washington ParkPlay

**Come and meet your PlayLeaders at Usworth Park, every Saturday from 9:30am.**

ParkPlay welcomes everyone, so turn up for games, activities and fun with your local community.

**Register today!**

[park-play.com/register](http://park-play.com/register)



Together for Children are holding a Reception Transition Event called...

## Reception Ready: Transitioning Together.

This will be taking place on:

**Wednesday, 11th June 2025**  
**9:00 AM – 12:00 PM**  
**Washington Millennium Centre**

This event is designed to support children and families transitioning into Reception. Representatives from various services will be present with information stands offering advice and guidance, including:

- CAMHS (Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services) - Sunderland Community Children and Young Peoples Mental Health
- 0-19 Health Service
- Occupational Therapy
- Speech and Language Therapy
- Family Hubs
- Parent Carer Forum
- Choice Wellbeing

In addition, there will be an offer of **half-price soft play** available during the event.

If you have children transitioning into reception, feel free to attend the event and if you know of parents who have nursery age children please pass the information on.

