



USWORTH COLLIERY

Weekly Newsletter



7th November 2025

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	96.67%	4EH	97.39%
RLC	89.55%	4SP	93.5%
1JB	88.95%	5GS	95%
1JD	93.68%	5JM	94.74%
2EP	95%	6CS	93.48%
2PQ	92.17%	6JW	97.08%
3BB	95%	Base Blue	94%
3RD	98.1%	Base Yellow	96.72%
Base Red	87%	Thrive	96%

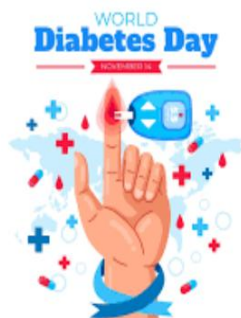
This week's winner of the 100% attendance certificate and Just Eat voucher is **Charlie in 2PQ**

Congratulations to **4EH** for the best attendance this week **97.39%**

Whole school attendance **94.11%**

No classes with 100% this week. Remember every school day counts!

NON-UNIFORM DAY FOR WORLD DIABETES DAY AND CHILDREN IN NEED



This year, we will be marking **World Diabetes Day** and **Children In Need** with a **non-uniform day on Friday 14th November**.

Diabetes has recently affected one of our pupils, who is bravely learning to adjust to life with this condition. As a school, we want to show her and her family that we care, while also helping to raise awareness and funds for **Breakthrough T1D UK**, a charity that supports people living with type 1 diabetes and funds vital research. Children are invited to come into school in **non-uniform**, ideally wearing **something blue** to represent diabetes awareness **and/or something Pudsey related** and bring along a **small donation** to support this worthy cause. All money raised will go directly to Breakthrough T1D UK.



UCPS GIRLS FOOTBALL TEAM UPDATE



On Thursday evening, our girls' football team took part in the Autumn Cup Tournament at Biddick Secondary School and what an incredible performance they delivered!

The tournament began with a series of group stage matches against Holley Park, JFK, and Blackfell. Our team came out strong, winning all three games and scoring a total of eight goals, while impressively keeping a clean sheet throughout. Their solid defence and excellent teamwork ensured a place in the semi-finals.

In the semi-final, the girls faced a determined Rickleton side. After a tense match that ended 0–0, it all came down to penalties. Displaying great composure and courage, Darcy, Saphira and Jasmine stepped up to take their shots, while Lola made a fantastic save to secure our place in the final against St. Bede's.

The final proved to be a hard-fought battle between two evenly matched teams. Both sides created strong chances but in the final moments, St. Bede's managed to find the back of the net, leaving us with a proud 2nd place finish.

Every player should be incredibly proud of their performance, from the skill and determination shown on the pitch to the fantastic sportsmanship and teamwork demonstrated each week. Football fixtures will resume in the new year when we begin our futsal competitions.

Mrs Skeen

WHO HAS BEEN IN MY OFFICE THIS WEEK?

Hannah and Amelia 4EH came to see me on Friday before half term to show me the fabulous stories they had been writing in their own time. The stories were all about 2 sisters who were lost in a forest. What creative writers they are!

Lana 5JW came to show me her amazing maths. She had been learning how to count in powers of 10. She was so proud of herself because she understood this very tricky concept and produced more maths work in one lesson that she has even done before and didn't even need the extra time her teacher offered the class. Well done Lana!

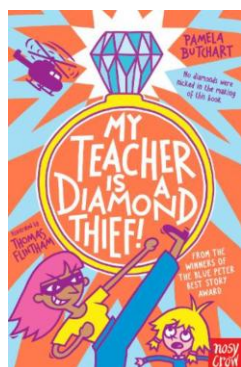


POPPY APPEAL

We are supporting the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal in memory of fallen soldiers. Poppies and a range of other poppy-related items will be available from the school office for anyone who wishes to make a donation. We kindly suggest a **minimum donation of £1** per item to support this important cause.

RECOMMENDED READS AND NEW RELEASES

MY TEACHER IS A DIAMOND THIEF! BY PAMELA BUTCHART



The queen of the madcap school story returns with another side-splitting adventure, as Izzy and friends begin to suspect that their new teacher might just be a master criminal. The fifteenth in a smash hit series of hilarious tales about primary school life from best-selling, award-winning creators! Packed with excellent black and white illustrations, this is the perfect longer read for newly confident readers. Nothing is quite as it seems for Izzy and her friends, and the drama is always off the scale! When Izzy and friends get a new teacher, they are immediately suspicious. Why does she have two computers set up on her desk? Why does she speak Spanish when they're supposed to be doing maths? Why does she have a pink wig and sunglasses in her car? And why does she have a drawer full of diamonds? Because she's an international jewel thief, of course, and MUST BE STOPPED!

Please note that all children must be collected from after school clubs from now on. This is due to the darker nights. No child will be permitted to walk home alone after a school club until after the easter holidays.

AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

Day	Club name	Staff	Year Groups	Max number	Location
Monday	Forrest school	Mrs Walker/Mrs Prinn	Rec-2	20	Forrest school
Monday	Art Club	Miss Coxon	Rec-2	15	RLC classroom
Monday	Book club	Miss Brown	3-6	15	2JB classroom
Monday	Lego Club	Mrs Edmunds/Mrs Green	1-6	20	Art Room
Monday	Board Games	Mrs Calcutt	Rec-6	15	KS2 intervention room
Tuesday	Choir	Mrs Moore	3-6	20	TBC
Tuesday	Jewellery Making	Mrs Dixon	3-6	15	3 RD classroom
Tuesday	Mindful Colouring	Mrs Henderson	3-6	20	4EP classroom
Tuesday	Boxing club	Mr Pearson	5-6	10	Hall
Tuesday	KS1 Homework	Mrs Quinn	1-2	20+	2PQ classroom
Tuesday	KS2 Homework	Mrs Swinburn	3-6	20+	6CS classroom
Thursday	Boxing club	Mr Pearson	3-4	10	Hall

Please note that that the boxing club will no longer be running do to Mr Pearson leaving.

AUTUMN TERM DATES

Events next week

New dates added

Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October - HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Monday 10th November	RLC Library Visit
Monday 10th November	Little Wandle parent session (Rec-Y2) 9am
Tuesday 11th November	RAW Intergenerational Visit to Care Home
Tuesday 11th November	Remembrance Tea for Senior Citizens
Wednesday 12th November	RAW Library Visit
Monday 17th November	Little Wandle Rapid Catch-up parent session (KS2) 9am
Tuesday 18th November	RAW Intofilm festival
Monday 24th November	School Photograph Day
Wednesday 26th November	Reception Open Afternoon for 2026-27 parents 1-3pm
Monday 1st December	Start of Derwent Hill residential week
Tuesday 11th November	RLC Intofilm festival
Friday 14 th November	Non Uniform Day fundraising for World Diabetes Day
Wednesday 17th December	RLC Northern Stage The Night Before ChrisMouse,
Thursday 18th December	RAW Northern Stage The Night Before ChrisMouse,
Wednesday 3rd December	Science is my Superpower (Newcastle pm)
Monday 8th December	Rocksteady Concert 10am
Monday 8th December	RLC Library Visit
Tuesday 9th December	RLC Intergenerational Visit to Care Home
Wednesday 10th December	RAW Library Visit
Friday 12th December	Reception Christmas performances (am performance no pre-school children pm performance all welcome)
Friday 12 th December	Autumn Term reports sent out to parents
Tuesday 16 th December	Year 3&4 Christmas performance (am performance no pre-school children pm performance all welcome)
Wednesday 17 th December	Christmas fair
Friday 19 th December	Last day of Autumn Term

Children return to school on Monday 5th January

SUPERSTARS

Remember to check out this week's **SUPERSTARS!** These are shared on our school Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/people/Usworth-Colliery-Primary-School/61572535178981/#>

Alternatively, you can also use the School Facebook link at the top of the school website.

Please note the school Twitter account, @UCPrimary, is no longer in use.

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 demonstrating our school values and following the Colliery Code.

This week's classes with the most house points are:

1st-3RL 2nd-6JW 3rd-4EH

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