



USWORTH COLLIERY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter 7th March 2025

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

This week's class attendance figures:

RAW	93.18%	3CB	91.76%
RLC	90.76%	3RL	96.74%
1BD	94.27%	4EH	99.31%
1RD	98.96%	4SP	91.78%
2EP	97.37%	5GS	95.5%
2JB	95.24%	5JW	94.33%
Base Red	96.25%	6CS	97.92%
Base Yellow	97.92%	6JM	91.35%
Base Blue	95.45%	Thrive	96.43%

This week's winner of the 100% attendance certificate and Just Eat voucher is Lincoln in 2JB.

Congratulations to class 4EH for the best attendance this week

Whole school attendance **95.25%**

WORLD BOOK DAY



What a fantastic day we had this week celebrating World Book Day! The children really enjoyed dressing up in colours or as characters and meeting our visiting author. We spent time on Friday celebrating all things 'books' and your child will also have received their world book day book. Thank you to Miss Brown who organised the day and even went to collect all the books from WHSmith's in Newcastle! We will share with you some of the work and activities the children have completed though the website.

PARENT/CARER SURVEY REMINDER

The deadline for completion of the survey is Friday 14th March and the results will be collated after this date and shared with you. Remember that you do not need to wait until a survey to share your thoughts. You can contact any senior member of staff at any time throughout the year. Thank you for taking the time to answer the questions. Here is the link: <https://forms.office.com/e/KRfJ8YF221>

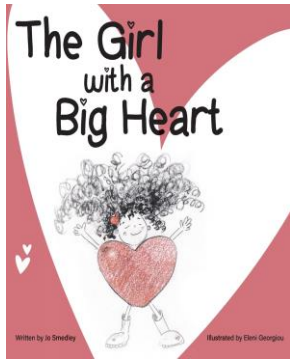
UCPS GIRL'S FOOTBALL UPDATE

On Tuesday evening, the girls' football team travelled to Rickleton for the second half of the season. In our opening match, we battled not only the tough opposition but also the cold weather and strong winds. Rickleton proved to be formidable, but the girls displayed exceptional determination, quickly shutting down attacks from the opposition. The team created several opportunities to score but couldn't find a way past their goalkeeper. Unfortunately, Rickleton managed to get the ball over the line just before it was gathered by Lola, and the match ended in a narrow 1-0 defeat. In our second match, we faced Holley Park, who scored an early goal. However, the girls showed great resilience and sportsmanship, with Captain Jessie-May leading by example. The team worked tirelessly to press for an equaliser, and after some strong attacking play, Jessie-May found the back of the net to level the score at 1-1. This week's player's player was Lola, who made an impressive debut and delivered a solid performance as goalkeeper. Miss Skeen's players of the evening were Alba and Olivia, both of whom made confident debuts, demonstrating excellent skill and composure on the pitch.



RECOMMENDED READS AND NEW RELEASES

THE GIRL WITH A BIG HEART BY JO SMEDLEY



The Girl with a Big Heart is here to help you feel happy.... or sad, or curious, or angry, or creative. In fact, she can help you understand that all your feelings - even the difficult and not very fun ones - are the key to knowing who you are and what you need. In this beautiful book of ten timeless stories, author Jo Smedley magically brings to life the simultaneously simple and complicated nature of what it means to be yourself. Leading by example, The Girl shows that it takes courage and a leap of faith to live life on your own terms. On her journey, she helps friends such as Andy the Squirrel and Julia the Flamingo see this too. Most of all, The Girl shows just how much magic is brought to life when you live with a heart powered by love. For parents, teachers, and children alike, this book will reassure, challenge and spark valuable conversations through the fun and cosy adventures of The Girl with a Big Heart.

FREE PERFORMING ARTS SESSIONS

WHAM Theatre Schools are offering Performing Arts Sessions to children aged 5.5 to 11 years at Marlborough Park Games & Leisure Space in Sulgrave - NE37 3ED

The sessions will take place on Saturday **8th March** 2025, 10:15am - 1:15pm and Saturday **15th March** 2025, 10:15am - 1:15pm

Places are limited and on a first come, first served basis! Each session includes a healthy snack, and we're all about flexibility here—parents/guardians are welcome to stay and enjoy the fun or simply drop off and pick up. (Whatever works best for you and your child) The sessions will be made up of a mixture of:

Musical Theatre, Drama & Theatre Games, Basic Acro and Film Skills

Enrol online with ease at: www.whamtheatreschools.com/send

Fill out the "All About Me" form and enrolment forms before the first session.

If you have any questions, just give them a shout on info@whamtheatreschools.com

AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

Day	Club name	Staff	Year Groups
Monday	Lego	Mrs Edmonds/Mrs Green	1-6
Monday	Mindful Colouring	Mrs Allen	3-6
Monday	Forrest School	Mrs Prinn/Mrs Walker	Rec-2
Monday	KS1 Homework	Miss Coxon	1-2
Monday	Jewellery Making	Mrs Dixon	1-3
Monday	Book Club	Miss Brown	3-6
Tuesday	Film Club	Mrs Jones	1-6
Tuesday	Multi Sports	Mr Pearson	3 and 4
Tuesday	KS2 Homework	Mrs Henderson	3-6
Tuesday	Choir	Mrs Barella	2-6
Wednesday	Creative Sparks	Culture Start	3-6
Thursday	Hama Bead Crafting	Mrs Burrell	1-3
Thursday	Skipping	Miss Armstrong	2-4

SPRING TERM DATES

Events next week New dates added

Tuesday 11th March	Reception Mini Movers Intergenerational Visit
Wednesday 12th March	Parents' Meetings
20th March- 27th March	School Book Fair
Friday 21st March	Horrible Histories Theatre Trip
Monday 24th March	RAW Hall Hill Farm (TBC)
Monday 24th March	Rocksteady Easter Concert

Tuesday 25th March	EYFS Dance Festival
Wednesday 26 th March	Y6 SATs information meeting 5pm
Friday 28th March	RLC Hall Hill Farm (TBC)
Tuesday 1 st April	5GS trip to Ouseburn
Wednesday 2 nd April	5JW trip to Ouseburn
Thursday 3 rd April	KS1 Girls football event
Monday 7 th April	Y6 Phoenix Programme
Tuesday 8 th April	Y6 Phoenix Programme
Tuesday 8 th April	Reception Mini Movers Intergenerational Visit
Wednesday 9 th April	Y6 Phoenix Programme Final Presentation
Thursday 10 th April	Y1/Y2 Easter Performance for Y1 parents (am)
Thursday 10 th April	Y1/Y2 Easter Performance for Y2 parents (pm)
Friday 11th April	Whole School Easter Egg Competition
Friday 11th April	School closes for the Easter Holidays
Children return to school on Monday 28th April	

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 – 5JW 2nd – 3CB 3rd – 6CS

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