



# Youlgrave, All Saints' Primary School Newsletter

Dear Parents, Carers and Families

With the half-term break just around the corner, it is great to see such brilliant learning behaviour throughout school. Children are really challenging themselves and we're seeing lots of good progress as a result. It is lovely to be able to recognise so many children's effort and determination with certificates in our Celebration Collective Worship on a Friday each week. Do pop in if you get the chance. Of course children learn best when they are enjoying the curriculum and there are so many examples of this at the moment. On Tuesday Bemma Akyeamong brought the African sunshine into every class sharing stories and traditional dances which everyone loved! Class 1 are thoroughly immersed in their topic on France. They have a theme day and a special film in PSHE to look forward to. Meanwhile, Class 2 are impressing everyone with their knowledge of rocks – we have a few future geologists in school I think. Also a big thank you goes to Class 3 who represented school so well at the Netball competition at Great Longstone, narrowly missing victory overall but winning hands down in terms of fair play and sportsmanship.

We look forward to sharing information with you about your child's learning in detail at our Parent/Carer meetings however, if you have any questions or concerns about your child's learning or any other issues, please do not hesitate to make an appointment with the class teacher or myself.

Finally, please can I request that children come to school wearing the correct school uniform every day. Details of our uniform policy can be found on our website in the Policies section and Mrs Askew and Mrs Wood are always happy to help with any queries. We aim to make the uniform accessible and affordable for everyone. Please talk to us in absolute confidence if you need support to provide the correct uniform or if you need school to make a reasonable adjustment to the uniform policy for your child.

With very best wishes

Teresa Nicholls

Headteacher

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## Key dates:

- **Tuesday 11th February** - Safer Internet Day  
Wider Opps Brass concert in church for parents/carers 9.15am
- **Wednesday 12th February** - Natalie from Compass to see Class 3 'Resilience Workshop'
- **Friday 14th February** - Pyjama Day for Sheffield Children's Hospital, donations via Just Giving page please  
Bright Plate award  
Break up for half term
- **Saturday 22nd February** - Live Band event in Village Hall raising funds for Preschool and School 7.30pm-11.30pm
- **Monday 24th February** - **INSET day, school closed to pupils**
- **Tuesday 25th February** - Back to School
- **Wednesday 26th February** - Class 3 Parent/Carer meeting regarding Residential Trip 3.35pm
- **Thursday 27th February** - PCSO Sarah Duffton in School 'Bullying and Cyber Bullying' all classes.
- **Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th March** - Parent/Carer Consultation evenings after school. Booking system to open shortly...
- **Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th March** - Bikeability for Y6
- **Thursday 6th March** - World Book Day, details to follow.
- **Friday 7th March** - Shooting Stars Football KS2 girls.



This time of year is always difficult with so many coughs, colds and viruses doing the rounds.

Well done to **Y3** who remain the highest attenders at a fabulous **98.69%**! The whole school is now at **96.77%** which is so close to the **97%** we are striving for.

Please see the sperate sheet with details on common conditions and whether children can come to school or not.



| Reception | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
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| 96.47%    | 97.32% | 97.98% | 98.69% | 95.21% | 95.85% | 96.29% |

### What is the theme for Children's Mental Health Week 2025?

This year, Children's Mental Health Week is focussing on **Know Yourself, Grow Yourself**.

We want Children's Mental Health Week 2025 to encourage children, young people and adults to embrace self-awareness and explore what it means to them. This will help them grow and develop resilience to cope with what life throws at them.

### Who are you partnering with for Children's Mental Health Week 2025?

This year we're partnering with Here4You, supported by The Walt Disney Company and the 'Inside Out 2' characters to explore our theme Know Yourself, Grow Yourself.



### Vaping liquid, button batteries and wash gel pods.



A reminder to parents/carers about the risk of button batteries, wash pods and vaping liquid to children's health. Please ensure that vaping solution and wash pods are kept out of reach of children, ideally locked away.

Anything that contains button batteries (e.g keyrings, nightlights, light up toys etc) can be life threatening if swallowed. Please ensure that your child understands the dangers and wherever possible, try and keep these items away from children or supervise them whilst using them. (See separate advice sheet)



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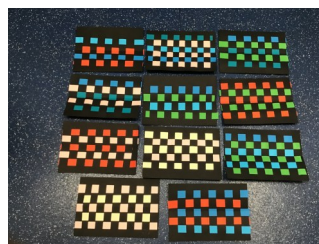
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## African Workshop Day - Tuesday 4th February.

Bemma Akyeamong from African Ark came along to help the children learn about African culture through singing, dancing and storytelling. The children thoroughly enjoyed their day, and Bemma has given the school her new book to enjoy for storytime too. Thank you Bemma!



## Photos from Art Club and Class 3's Netball Tournament at Great Longstone School this week.



## After School Clubs after the half term.....

All clubs are 3.30pm-4.30pm and the cost is £2.50 per child per day.

### Art Club with Miss Tonks

Tuesdays - Class 1 (including YR)

Wednesdays Class 2 and 3



### Sports Clubs (Multisports)

Wednesday - Class 2 and 3 with Mr Scully

Thursday - Class 1 (including YR) with Miss Hulme



### Gardening Club with Mrs Houghton

Friday - Open to all. Digging our allotment bed and helping to plant seeds and containers to improve our school environment.



Please ensure all bookings are made via School Money or by cash to the office. Numbers are limited.

Art and Gardening Club will be shown as Craft Club on School Money.

Clubs will need 6 children to enable them to go ahead...





## Dates for your diary.....

### Forthcoming services (all at All Saints, Youlgrave unless otherwise indicated)

Sunday, 9 February at 11.00 a.m. – Holy Communion with hymns, led by the Reverend Richard Tucker

Sunday, 16 February at 11.00 a.m. – Morning Prayer with hymns, led by the Reverend Jane Clay

Sunday, 23 February at 11.00 a.m. – Holy Communion with hymns, led by the Reverend Geoff Clay and the Reverend Jane Clay

Sunday, 2 March at 11.00 a.m. – Family Service with baptism of Jake Poole, led by the Reverend Geoff Clay and the Reverend Jane Clay

Sunday, 2 March at 6.45 p.m. – Evening Prayer with hymns at the church of St Michael and All Angels, Middleton, led by the Reverend Jane Clay

### The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Derby in Stanton

Bishop Libby will be preaching and presiding at a service of Holy Communion at the church of the Holy Trinity, Stanton-in-Peak on Sunday, 9 February at 9.30 a.m. All are welcome.

### Music in church – Fridays at 5.00 p.m. at All Saints, Youlgrave

Youlgrave church will be open on Fridays at 5.00 p.m for 45 minutes and classical music, of a reflective nature, will be playing.

This is not a religious service, just an opportunity for people in our community to sit together in peace.

## Collective Worship

Geoff and Jayne joined us on Monday to lead our Collective Worship on Candlemas. They shared how Candlemas is linked to light in our lives and how Jesus is seen as the light of the world.

We also have Hannah from the MAST team and Mr and Mrs Briddon in next week to lead our Collective Worship which we all look forward to.

We also continue with our theme of **Courage** on Monday and Wednesdays in school Collective Worship. We are very grateful for all our visitors who lead our Collective Worship in school.



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