

Youlgrave, All Saints' Primary School Newsletter

Dear Parents, Carers and Families

It's incredible to realise that this is the final newsletter of this academic year. We have achieved so much and the year has passed so quickly! As ever, our school is a busy, vibrant place and is full of children enjoying the summer term. We know that Youlgrave All Saints School is a very special place but it's wonderful to share with you formal confirmation that other people see this too. Today we have received our final SIAMS (church inspection) report following our inspection on the 17th June 2025.

We are delighted the inspector recognised how well our clear Christian vision is embedded in everything we do and that we are fully living up to our foundation as a Church school. The report makes it clear how well our carefully planned curriculum meets the needs of all children and enables everyone to engage deeply with their learning.

We are particularly proud that the report highlights a 'rich sense of belonging' and the trusting relationships which are evident throughout school and with families and the community. This was seen to make school welcoming and inclusive and to promote a culture of fairness, tolerance and respect. The inspection identified how well we know, nurture and support all the children and that our WE CARE values are deeply embedded and part of everyday school life which enables all to flourish. The full report is attached to this newsletter and I urge to read it so you can gain a fuller picture than I have space to reflect on here.

I would like to thank all the governors and parents who spoke to the inspectors to provide their views. I would also like to thank our amazing staff team who, as the report observed, 'go above and beyond in their care of the pupils'. Clearly, there was additional work involved in the inspection process but we know that this reflects the commitment and hard work of our staff every single day. Most of all I'd like to thank the children who are always amazing and an absolute joy to work with!

We have so much to be proud of and so much to look forward to in the coming academic year. In the meantime, we know that the last three weeks of term are going to be very exciting, full of fun and laughter and then we will be ready for a well-earned summer break.

Best wishes

Teresa Nicholls

Key dates:

- **Wednesday 9th July** - Maypole event on the playing field, PTFA serving refreshments. 2pm
- **Friday 11th July** - Non school uniform day in return for tombola prizes for Summer Fayre.
- **Friday 11th July** - Reports to be sent home.
- **Monday 14th July** - Open School evening 3.30pm-5pm, see details in newsletter.
- **Wednesday 16th July** - Class 3 play 'Alice the Musical' in the Village Hall at 6.30pm, refreshments from 6pm.
- **Saturday 19th July** - Preschool and PTFA Summer Fayre on playing fields 12pm-6pm.
- **Wednesday 23rd July** - Y6 Leavers Lunch
- **Wednesday 23rd July** - Bright Plate and Collective Worship in church 2pm
- **Thursday 24th July** - Y6 Leavers Service in Church at 2pm, all welcome, and seeing our Y6 children off for their last day at Primary School.
- **Thursday 24th July** - School Closes for Summer holidays.
- **Thursday 24th July** - PTFA End of Year disco in Village Hall 6pm-8pm.
- **Thursday 4th and Friday 5th September** INSET days, closed to children.
- **Monday 8th September** - Welcome Back to School for all.



Our school attendance remains slightly under the national target of 97%, we currently stand at 95.99%.

A huge well done to Y3, who have topped the highest attendance for this academic year!!!

A polite reminder that only very exceptional circumstance will be authorised for holidays during term time. We understand that holidays are cheaper during term time, but it is essential that children do not miss days off school wherever possible.

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
95.07%	97.18%	95.85%	97.97%	93.15%	96.09%	95.60%

Annual Maypole Dancing Event!!!

Next Wednesday 9th July, we are delighted to be holding our annual Maypole dancing event on the playing fields.

The children have been working really hard practicing their dances for you to enjoy.

The event will commence at 2pm, our PTFA will be serving refreshments beforehand for you to enjoy during the performance. If anyone can donate any bakery items for us to sell, please bring them to the school office by Wednesday morning, thank you in advance.

A big thank you to Miss Tonks for all her hard work leading up to this, it is not an easy task, but the hard work will pay off, and we look forward to sharing this with you.



School Open Evening



On Monday 14th July we would like to welcome you into school between 3.30pm-5.00pm. Staff will be here if you would like to discuss anything and you can have a look at what the children have been learning about in class.

We will be asking for your participation in a survey from 'Compass' about what support you feel you need to support health and emotional wellbeing.

We hope you can make it.

PTFA members wanted!!

The PTFA have a vacancy for a secretary and for general helpers. If you feel you could help them to raise vital extra funds for school, please speak to Janine Shearing or Leah Goodwin.

Thank you.

After School Activity Clubs

Next week will be the last week of after school activity clubs.

These will restart in September, we will send out communications the first week back, and clubs will commence the second week.

Thank you.

Non-School Uniform day

Next Friday 11th July, we are having an extra non-school uniform day.



In return, please can children bring in a prize/bottle of wine for our forthcoming Summer Fayre tombola. Please bring to the office.



As always, this time of year is full of mixed emotions, as we say farewell to our Y6 children who will be leaving Primary School ready for their new journeys at Secondary School.

On Thursday 22nd July, our last day in school, we will be sharing a service in church to celebrate their time at Youlgrave School, and we would warmly like to invite you to join us from 2pm in church.

So, we would like to wish; **Davyd, Jonny, Leo, Max, Merryn-Rose, Molly, Oliver and Vira**, the very best of luck with your new ventures in September, and we look forward to hearing how you are all doing in the future.

Recent Activities and Trips

Well, where do we start???

What an action packed few weeks we have had.

Archdeacon Nicky Fenton visit, Bishop's Badge ceremony at Derby Cathedral (well done Vira), Halle Orchestra trip to Manchester, Way Too Cool Drama workshop, PCSO Boswell visits, Well Dressing, Reading dog visits, Transition days and workshops, School open morning, Yoto Carnegie Book Awards at LMS and Sports Day!!! Wow!



Recent Activities and Trips continued.....

