Contact email: parentcontact@yewdale.cumbria.sch.uk

YEWDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Yewdale Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

What a busy first half term we have had! We have enjoyed football tournaments, Black History Month workshops, the launch of our new enrichment curriculum and many other exciting opportunities that our children have embraced with enthusiasm.

I have the privilege of teaching and observing learning across the school, and it has been a pleasure to see how calm, purposeful and focused our classrooms have been this half term. The children have made a fantastic start to the academic year and should be very proud of their efforts.

Looking ahead, we have another busy half term planned. Parents' Evenings for Years 1-6 will provide an opportunity to celebrate children's progress, while fundraising activities for Children in Need will bring our school community together for a worthwhile cause.

We are also looking forward to our annual pantomime visit and a range of festive events as we begin to celebrate the Christmas season. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support throughout the half term and to wish all of our families a restful and enjoyable half term break.

Mr Graham-Sharpe, Head of School

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 26th Oct – Fri 30th Oct	October Half Term
Sat 31st Oct	Year 6 Secondary *** Application Deadline ***
Wed 4th Nov	Year 2 Trip Lake District Wildlife Park
Fri 13th Nov	Children in Need (see Poster)
Thurs 19th Nov	Nasal Flu Immunisation

Earrings - Children may wear one pair of small stud earrings only for school. For everyone's safety, hoop earrings are not permitted, and all earrings should be removed on PE days.

Parent Teacher Meetings

Tuesday 17th November and Wednesday 18th November

Parent Teacher Meetings for Year 1 - Year 6 will take place on Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th November from 3.30pm to 6.00pm.
These meetings provide a valuable opportunity to discuss how your child has settled into this school year and their progress so far this term.
Please book an appointment with your child's class teacher for either the Tuesday or Wednesday via Arbor under Guardian Consultations.

Year 6 Secondary School Applications – FINAL REMINDER – Deadline: 31st October
Please apply before 31st October. Apply for a secondary school place | Cumberland Council

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Nasal Flu Vaccine – 19th November

Please opt in or out of the Nasal Flu Vaccines using this link before 12th November:

Flu Vaccination Consent Form

School Code: CM141995

NHS

Enrichment Clubs

Bookings for the new block of Wednesday Enrichment clubs will be coming out the first week back after half term for clubs to start the following week.

Please keep an eye on Dojo/Arbo for bookings going live.







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Our weekly Attendance

YEWDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Monday 19th October - Friday 23rd October



Whole school

95.87%



MAPLE CLASS	99.76%
HAZEL CLASS	99.84%
WILLOW CLASS	88.97%
ASPEN CLASS	98.89%
ROWAN CLASS	84.62%
BIRCH CLASS	97.24%
ALDER CLASS	96.84%
HAWTHORN CLASS	95.93%
OAK CLASS	97.24%
CEDAR CLASS	96.36%
ELM CLASS	96.92%

STAR OF THE WEEK









Elm – Isabella T

Cedar – ⭐

Oak – Charlie H

Hawthorn – Ellie

Birch – Isabella W

Alder – Aurora

Aspen/Rowan – Alita

Willow – Rosie

Hazel – Raven

Maple – Whole Class !













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House Team Points



366	297	301	360

Total House Points awarded this week so far:

1,324

Our winners this week are the **Blue Team**

Well done!

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Autumn Term 2026

NHS
North Cumbria Integrated Care
NHS Foundation Trust

Dear Parent/Carer

Your child's annual flu vaccination is now due (Children in Reception - Year 6)

This vaccination programme is in place to help protect your child against flu. The intra-nasal flu vaccine is the most effective protection for your child against flu as well as help protect vulnerable friends and family by reducing the spread of flu.

The consent form can be accessed via any online device. Please click on the link below or scan the QR code which will direct you to the online consent form for you to complete

Session date	Consent Form Link	QR Code
19.11.26	Flu Vaccination Consent Form	

This link will close 1 week prior to the session.

If you decide you do not want your child to receive the flu vaccination, please complete the online form as directed above, and select the NO consent option.

Your child's school can check if you have returned a consent form but have no access to any personal information about you or your child.

The intra-nasal flu vaccine contains porcine gelatine. The alternative is the intramuscular (IM) flu vaccine which is porcine gelatine free. **Please follow the instructions on the consent form if you would like your child to receive this instead.**

Please contact the school aged immunisation team if you wish to arrange a clinic appointment.

Please contact the school aged immunisation team if

- **Your child has asthma and they become wheezy in the week before the school session or has their asthma medication increased.**
- **There are any changes to your child's health *after* you have completed the form**

Further information about the flu vaccination is available at:
Protect your child against flu – information for parents and carers of children in primary school or pre-school - GOV.UK
If you have any queries regarding the online consent form or the flu vaccine please contact your local school aged immunisation team or visit our webpage
School Aged Immunisation Programme : North Cumbria Integrated Care

Yours faithfully , School Aged Immunisation Team

Immunisation Team | Floor 2, Hill Top Heights| Capital Building, London Road| Carlisle| CA1 2NS
T: 01228 608046 | E: ncm-tr.northschoolagedimmunisationteam@nhs.net

Cumbria Education Trust

CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

All students across CET are invited to submit designs for our Annual CET Christmas Card.
We would like the card to showcase:

A CUMBRIAN CHRISTMAS

As well as reflecting on CET's values, key events or achievements from across the year, truly embodying the meaning of Christmas.

There will be two winners:
One Primary entry and One Secondary entry.
The winners will receive a prize and their designs will be CET's official Christmas Cards for 2026

HOW TO ENTER

1. Design your card on an A4 piece of paper
2. Take a photo of your design
3. Email the image to:
   EventsTeam@cumbriaeducationtrust.org

Please submit your designs by:
Tuesday 1st December 2026

Term Dates

Academic Year 2026 – 2027

Autumn Term	
INSET days	Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd September 2026
Autumn term begins	Thursday 3rd September 2026
Half term	Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October 2026
Autumn term ends	Friday 18th December 2026
Spring Term	
Spring term begins	Monday 4th January 2027
Half term	Monday 15th February – Friday 19th February 2027
Spring term ends	Thursday 25th March 2027
Summer Term	
Summer term begins	Monday 12th April 2027
Bank holiday	Monday 3rd May 2027
Half term	Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June 2027
Summer term ends	Friday 16th July 2027




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To be eligible for the Better Swim School Guarantee, pupils must attend and complete a minimum of 75 programmed lessons within two years before turning ten years old. Better Swim School Guarantee full terms and conditions available at better.org.uk/offer-terms.

SWIMMING LESSONS NEAR YOU

The Sands Centre
Newmarket Road
Carlisle
CA1 1JQ

Trinity Leisure Centre
Strand Road
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Scan the QR code or search Better Swim School to join and find out more.

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SPACE

Supporting Parents and Children Emotionally

SPACE is a free programme for any parent or carer who wants to better understand and support their children's emotions — as well as their own.

What the Course Covers:

- ✓ Understanding toxic stress and the fight/flight response
- ✓ Practical approaches to support children to regulate their emotions
- ✓ Healthy coping strategies for dealing with stress
- ✓ Managing different emotions
- ✓ Rupture and repair
- ✓ Building resilience in ourselves and our children

Twilight Session in January 2027 5pm - 7pm
Ran from The Lookout in Raffles

Do you struggle to attend programmes due to being delivered in the daytime? I have the solution!

Please contact me on either

dlundtraumaspecialist@gmail.com, 07776971671

or pms me on my FB page Donna Lund Trauma Specialist

HAVE A HAPPY & HEALTHY HALF TERM!

ap SMILE STAR

A quick reminder for parents as we head into next week's break!



BRUSH TWICE A DAY! 2 min
✓ Remember to keep normal routines

EAT TEETH-FRIENDLY SNACKS!
✓ Encourage choosing healthy snacks over sugary treats

DRINK WATER & MILK! MILK
✓ Drink water or milk instead of sugary drinks

PACK FOR YOUR TRAVELS!
✓ For families heading away

BRUSH DAY & NIGHT FOR A HEALTHY SMILE!

wishing everyone a wonderful, safe & happy break!

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