

Vane Road Primary School

Spring 1 Newsletter



It is lovely to see the lighter nights creeping in and a little bit of sunshine peeking through ready for the half term break.

Tuesday was a great success with the author, Andy Tooze and all things poetry. Children and staff thoroughly enjoyed the day and created some wonderful poems. Our Year 1 parents/carers joined us in school on Wednesday for their science workshop and our Year 2 parents/carers were in school on Friday building Baby Bear's chair.

We have had an incredibly busy half term with lots of exciting things happening. Below are some snapshots of the half term.

I hope everyone has a restful week and we look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday 3rd March.



Swimming team win the semi-finals



Year 4 visit to The Baltic



Year 5 visit Durham Cathedral



Year 2 visit Hopetown



Reception Pirate Day



Reading our poems aloud



Year 1 Science workshop



Andy Tooze Day

100% Attendance Award Prizes

On Monday our end of term attendance awards were given out at the morning assembly.
Our winners were as follows:

Name	Class	Award won
Martha B	Class 5	Shake & Cake Voucher
Eddie H	Class 7	Arts & Craft Box
Teddy H	Class 7	45 Minute Breaktime for Class 7

Many thanks to those who donated towards the prizes.

We will be keeping these incentives going until July as we continue to monitor our school

Yearly Attendance

This week's attendance		Our Minimum Target is 96%
Class	% Attendance	
1	98.5	Well done to Class 1,2,3, 4,5,6,7 and 8 who have achieved attendance above our minimum target level. Special "Well done" to Class 2 for attendance that was the best out of the entire school.
2	99.6	
3	97.0	
4	98.7	
5	97.7	
6	98.4	
7	96.7	
8	97.3	
9	95.2	
10	94.7	
11	95.0	
12	91.7	
13	95.0	
14	93.0	

Whole School Weekly Attendance = 96.3%

This is slightly down on last week but still on target for the 96% expected.

If you have any issues regarding Attendance, please contact Mr. Grady as soon as possible.

Dates for Your Diary

3 March	Return to School from Half-Term
6 March	World Book Day
7 March	Swimming Competition Finals
12 March	Durham Agency Against Crime Workshop
19 March	Y1 – Science with Parents (TBA)
19 March	Y6 - Dance
27 March	Y3 Terrible Tudors @ Hippodrome
28 March	Y5 Awful Egyptians @ Hippodrome
7 April	Y3 Cushion Workshop with Parents
9 April	EYFS Farm Visit to School
9 April	Easter Egg Entries to the Hall
10 April	Y4 Parent Workshop
10 April	Activity Afternoon
11 April	Break up for Easter (2 weeks)
28 April	Return from Easter Holidays
5 May	School Closed – May Day Holiday
12-16 May	KS2 SATs Week – Year 6
23 May	Break up for Half-Term return 3 June

Have a lovely half-term holiday

School re-opens on Monday 3rd March 2025



Our top table pictures are below

This Week's Top Table

Awarded for following our school values and using good manners in the dining hall.

