

Vane Road Primary School

Autumn 2 Newsletter



We have had a very festive end to an incredibly busy term. All our nativities were absolutely brilliant and the children performed so confidently. I was very proud of them all. On Thursday we were treat to a live concert from Durham Music Service Christmas Party Band. The children and staff thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Finally, on Friday we had our own traditional Christmas Sing A Long and the community group delivered Christmas cards to the local neighbours.

I hope everyone has a restful break and I look forward to seeing you all back in school on Tuesday 7th January 2025.

Highlights from the Autumn term

Durham Music Service Christmas Party Band!



Christmas festivities



Weekly Attendance

This week's attendance		Our Minimum Target is 96% Well done to Class 5,8,10, 12 and 14 who have achieved attendance above our minimum target level. Special "Well done" to Class 8 for attendance that was the best out of the entire school.
Class	% Attendance	
1	92.9	
2	95.2	
3	87.3	
4	94.2	
5	96.0	
6	95.8	
7	93.7	
8	98.7	
9	93.7	
10	97.0	
11	91.0	
12	96.7	
13	91.1	
14	96.7	

Whole School Weekly Attendance = 94.3%

this is down slightly on last week, and no longer 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 January 2025	PD Day closed to pupils
6 January	PD Day closed to pupils
7 January	Return to School
7 January	Swimming starts – Class 9
7 January	Reception Class – Pirate Day
9 January	Swimming starts – Class 10
21 January	Y2 Trip to Hopetown, Darlington
22 January	Y6 SATs Parents' Evening
30 January	Y4 Trip to the Baltic Centre
11 February	Safer Internet Day
14 February	Y1 Phonic Screening Meeting for Parents/Carers
21 February	Break up for Half-Term
3 March	Return from Half-Term
6 March	World Book Day
12 March	Y5 Durham Agency Against Crime Workshop

FOR INFORMATION

Please find attached below a copy of our school holidays up to July 2026

Have a lovely holiday.

School re-opens on Tuesday 7th January 2025



SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2025-2026

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HOLIDAY	CLOSING DATE	DATE RE-OPEN FOR TEACHING PURPOSES
DECEMBER 2024 Christmas (+ 2 PD Days)	FRIDAY 20 TH DECEMBER 2024	TUESDAY 7 TH JANUARY 2025
FEBRUARY 2025 Half-Term	FRIDAY 21 ST FEBRUARY 2025	MONDAY 3 RD MARCH 2025
APRIL 2025 Easter	FRIDAY 11 TH APRIL 2025	MONDAY 28 TH APRIL 2025
MAY DAY 2025	FRIDAY 2 ND MAY 2025	TUESDAY 6 TH MAY 2025
MAY 2025 Half-Term (+1 PD Day)	FRIDAY 23 RD MAY 2025	TUESDAY 3 RD JUNE 2025
JULY 2025 (1PD Day) Summer	FRIDAY 18 TH JULY 2025	WEDNESDAY 3 RD SEPTEMBER 2025
OCTOBER 2025 Half-Term	FRIDAY 24 TH OCTOBER 2025	MONDAY 3 RD NOVEMBER 2025
DECEMBER 2025 Christmas (+ 1 PD Day)	FRIDAY 19 TH DECEMBER 2025	TUESDAY 6 TH JANUARY 2026
FEBRUARY 2026 Half-Term	FRIDAY 20 TH FEBRUARY 2026	MONDAY 2 ND MARCH 2026
APRIL 2026 Easter	THURSDAY 2 ND APRIL 2026	MONDAY 20 TH APRIL 2026
MAY DAY 2026	FRIDAY 1 ST MAY 2026	TUESDAY 5 TH MAY 2026
MAY 2026 Half-Term (+ 1 PD Day)	FRIDAY 22 ND MAY 2026	TUESDAY 2 ND JUNE 2026
JULY 2026 (+ 2 PD DAYS)	JULY 17 TH JULY 2026	T.B.A.

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