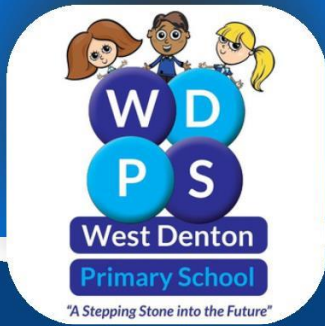




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Dear Parents / Carers,

We have had a positive first week back at school. The children have settled back into the school routines and are hard at work making progress in many aspects of learning.

We are delighted to share our new website with you. This has been built over the past few months. We have used some super photos of our children who had captured the exciting life at West Denton. The website is populated with lots of information about our curriculum as well as the important dates etc. We are still adding content all the time and would be happy for feedback if there is something you think is missing. Our website address remains the same: www.westdenton.newcastle.sch.uk we are moving away from class blogs but will be using and link to social media to share lots of good news stories about school. We hope you enjoy it! To get you started I would definitely have a look at these pages:

[Personal Development](#)

[Term Dates](#)

[Early Years](#)

[Key Stage 1 Curriculum Overview](#)

[Lower Key Stage 2 Curriculum Overview](#)

[Upper Key Stage 2 Curriculum Overview](#)

Thank you to everyone who attended the welcome meetings this week. If you were unable to attend – don't worry! We will add the information to website as soon as possible – with the all-important PE days for each class.

Music News

After the hard work by Mr Matthews – West Denton has been awarded a grant of £10,000 to increase our stock of musical instruments. Watch this space for more information!

This week the attendance totals for each class are:

	This week	This year
Reception Poppy	91.3%	



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Reception Tulip	94.4%	
Year 1 Sunflowers	95.5%	
Year ½ Daffodils	97.1%	
Year 2 Buttercups	98.1%	
Year 3 Daisies	96.9%	
Year ¾ Snowdrops	95.3%	
Year 4 Jasmine	98.3%	
Year 5 Bluebells	99%	
Year 5 Thistles	98.2%	
Year 6 Forget-me-nots	94.2	
Whole School	95.9%	

Congratulations to our winners: Year 5 Bluebells 99% for achieving the highest attendance this week!

We will be adding dates bit by bit. For now we have:

- Fri 25th September – 9.00am Macmillan Coffee morning in school
- Mon 28th September – 3.15pm – 3.45pm Treasure Hunt around school (parents and children)
- Thurs 1st October - School Photos
- Tues 13th and Wed 14th Oct – Parent Consultation meetings with teachers
- Fri 16th - 9am LKS2 (Phase 2) Reading Biscuit awards
- Fri 23rd – 9am UKS2 (Phase 3) Reading Biscuit awards

Have a lovely weekend

Gavin Johnston – Head Teacher