



Newsletter 9th July 2018

Aycliffe Village Primary School



Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you all enjoyed the weekend and especially the football on Saturday!! We wished our team luck during assembly on Friday so I'm sure that helped them clinch the victory!

I hope your children have enjoyed the 'move up' mornings we have had in school the last couple of Fridays. When I visited classes, everyone was looking very happy and settled. It was also good to have our new staff members, Miss Dunn and Mrs Wellstood, in school for these.

I was so impressed with our new Reception starters on Friday as they all came into school without their parents/carers and had a wonderful morning! We look forward to them joining our school in September.



Best wishes (and 'Come on England!')



Mrs H Sutherland

Praise indeed!

We had lots of lovely compliments in school last week and I am delighted to share these with you now.

On Wednesday we had a new supply teacher in our school and she was very complimentary about our school. She left the following message in our Visitor's Book. "What a lovely school you have. Everyone has been so welcoming and helpful! Children's manners are impeccable. Thank you for a lovely morning."

I also received a lovely email from Gareth Hamblin from the Sedgfield Sports Partnership. He has been in school working with a group of our Year 5 pupils (our new School Sports Organising Crew!) and had the following to say about them. **'They were an absolute pleasure to work with. They were all fully engaged in the training, had very mature discussions and left with enthusiasm to start their SSOC.'** Well done Sam, Hannah, Isobel, Kayla and Tyler!

I have also had wonderful feedback about a group of Year 6 pupils (Myles, Scarlett and Thomas) who have been helping the PTA with Ice-cream Friday this half term. The PTA have told me they have been an **'amazing help over the past few weeks. They are a real credit to the school and have been polite, efficient and worked really well as a team.'** Well done everyone!

Celebration Assembly Awards



Outstanding Learner	Finley W
Outstanding Attitude	Oliver D, Harrison P
Outstanding Manners	Edward D
Handwriting	Charlotte A, EthanP
Wow Word	Isobel W
Maths Wizard	Ethan WK, Archer D
Values	OliverY, Isabella D
Independence and Perseverance	Harvey W, Flinn B
Head Teacher Award	Heath D, Lilly D
Golden Broom	Year 5

Parent Questionnaires

These will now be sent out with end of year reports. We would be very grateful if you could take the time to complete and return these to school as your views are very important to us.

Class Names for next year

Your children might have already told you but we have chosen names for our classes next year. They have been named as trees that are in our school grounds. We haven't named one class as Oak Tree as this represents our whole school.

Class Name	Year Group/s	Teacher
Willow Class	Reception	Miss Bradley
Horse Chestnut Class	Year 1	Mr Underwood
Sycamore Class	Year 2	Miss Craven
Lime Class	Year 3	Mrs Vest (Mondays and Tuesdays) and Miss Hunt (Wednesdays to Fridays)
Silver Birch Class	Year 4	Miss Richmond
Rowan Class	Year 5	Mrs Brown
Hawthorn Class	Year 5 and 6	Miss Peel

In September, each class will be learning more about the tree their class is named after and will be working together to create an information board for these trees on our school field.

Update from the PTA

A summer disco will take place on **Thursday 19th July from 6.00—7.30pm**. Tickets are £1.50 (payable on entry) and this includes unlimited drinks. Refreshments, sweets, novelties and glitter tattoos will be on sale too.

Our Summer Fayre raised an incredible £691.50. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this and to everyone who helped organise and run the fayre. We are extremely grateful. The raffle will be drawn at school this Wednesday and we will circulate a list of winners.

Attendance for last week

Reception	93.3
Year 1	93.3
Year 2	94.0
Year 3	99.0
Year 4	98.2
Year 5	97.8
Year 6	97.9

Well done to Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 and who have all achieved attendance above our minimum target level. Special "Well done" to Year 3 for 99% attendance that was the best out of the entire school.

End of Year Reports

We will be sending your children's reports home on Friday 13th July or Monday 16th July (depending on year groups they are in) We will send a text on the day they are sent out so you know to look out for them. If you would like to discuss any aspect of your child's report, staff will be available on **Wednesday 18th July from 3.30 till 5.30**. There will be a letter in with your child's report for you to make an appointment, if you would like one.

Wow word of the week

