

Dear Parents/Carers,

Everyone has been incredibly busy this week getting ready for the return of all pupils to school on Monday. Our full, updated risk assessments can be accessed by clicking [here](#).

Letters have been sent to parents today with some further details about Monday as we have a full-on day planned focusing on wellbeing, team-building, fitness and of course, fun! Our aim is to help pupils settle back into school and their daily routines as quickly as possible. The staff will be around on-site to welcome pupils on Monday morning and guide them to where they need to go (should anyone have forgotten). Let's hope we can all get to sleep on Sunday night!

Have a lovely weekend!

Lindsay Hamilton



Magic Mobiles!

Y5 have been exercising their creative talents this week, designing and making mobiles for infants in order to provide visual stimulation. As soon as we're able to, we'd love to know what our little friends next door at North Tynies think of them!



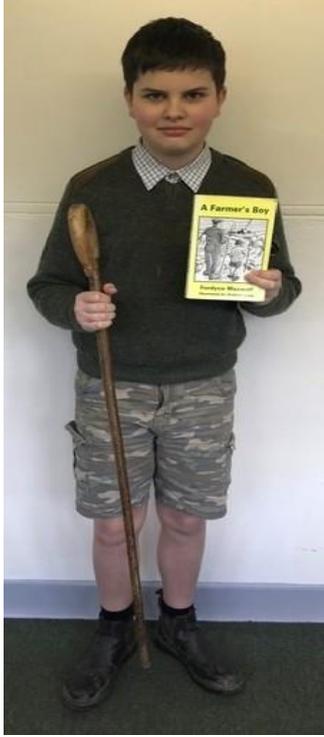
Great work,
Lewis,
Maizie
and Zoe!





World Book Day 2021!

There were some wonderful costumes on display to celebrate World Book Day. What a vast range we had! Here are a few examples. Check out our Facebook page to find who our winners are.



Angus – a farmer's boy!



Mrs Fletcher dressed as a very 'rotten' Roman, alongside her feline friend, Skie.



Lucy was a very elegant woman in black!



Wow – Bear Grylls, Wally, Harry Potter and Voldemort! Well done Chantelle, Tyler, Chloe and Sasha!



Took us a while to recognize this young man – Lewis! But for today, a WWF Wrestler!



Bubble Screen Breaks!



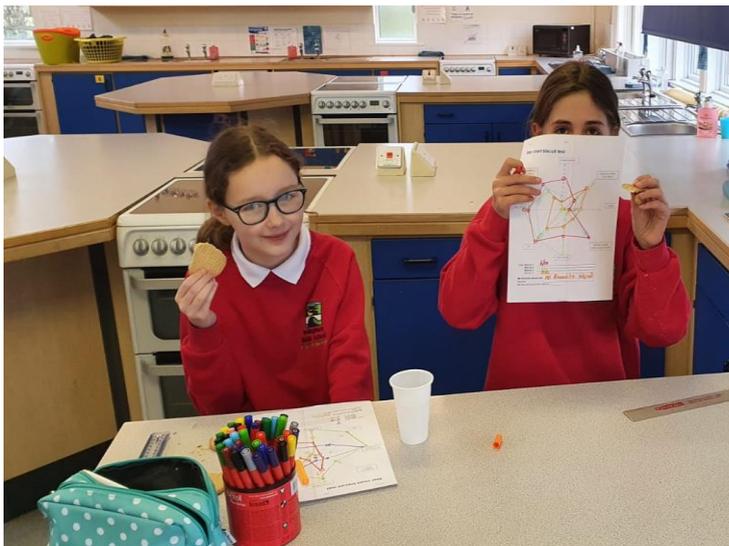
Well done to the Y6 bubble who worked really hard to create wooden vehicles, all in one afternoon. What fantastic DT skills!

Well done to Ed, Chloe, Mason, Sasha and Chantelle.





Beautiful star taste charts were completed by Y5 in order to find the best digestive biscuits. Marks out of ten were given to score taste, crunch, colour and sweetness. Surprisingly, the ones voted the best were the cheapest – Ms Molly's at 31p a packet!



Brushes at the ready...

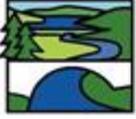


Once again, we have to say a big 'THANK YOU' to our fantastic BMSPTCA who have now managed to secure us a large donation of masonry paint from both Crown and Dulux! Their talents are endless!

The wonderful donations will be used to brighten outdoor areas for our pupils as well as to spruce up our school entrance. We cannot wait to get started! A special mention to Julie who has remained determined and strong-willed in her efforts to secure not one donation, but two!

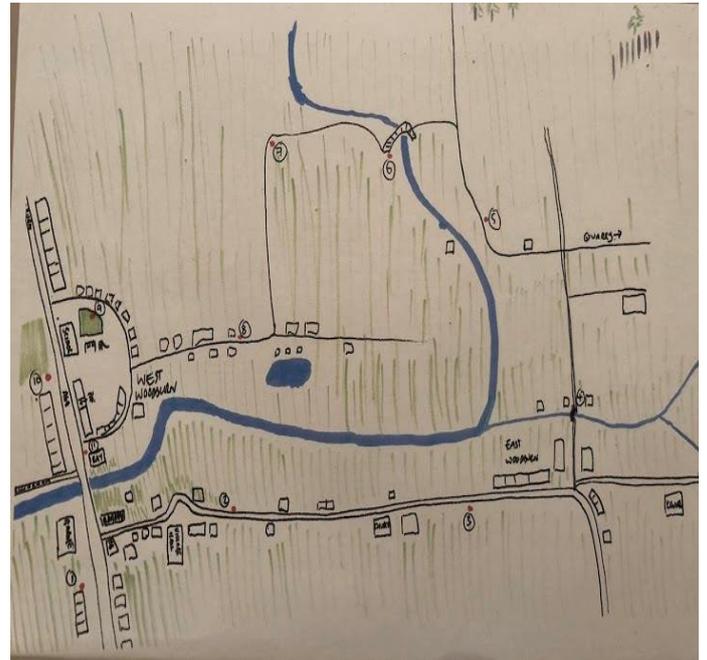
(P.S. Happy Birthday, Julie!)





Community Champions!

Two Y6 pupils have taken it upon themselves to create a treasure hunt for the residents of West Woodburn. Lucy and Elise have racked their brains to come up with something they could do together (safely) whilst also providing a 'challenging activity' for their community at this difficult time. As you can see, it was tested out by Mrs King and her son, who were very successful. What a lovely act of kindness, girls! We're proud of you.





schoolcloud Parents Evening

Because an 'in-school' parents evening cannot happen anytime soon, we have signed up to a new, easy to use online parents' evening system. This system allows you to choose your own five-minute appointment times with different teachers and meet with them over video conference call at your selected time.

We are aware that back in October, calls were made to parents via form teachers and parents have not yet had the opportunity to discuss progress with individual staff. This system will allow parents to 'meet' with different staff and receive information regarding progress first-hand. If you have older children at Haydon Bridge or Queen Elizabeth High Schools, you will be familiar with this system, and we know after speaking to their staff how valuable it has proven to be. Dates for these evenings will be set before Easter and further details will be sent home to parents next week.

Home-School Transport



Message from Northumberland County Council:

If your child uses the home to school transport service, can we ask that you remind them that it remains of the utmost importance that they wear a face covering (if 11 years or older) whilst travelling to and from school each day. Failure to do so may result in children (who are not exempt from wearing them on medical grounds etc) having their access to the service suspended.



A reminder to those parents and carers whose children have school lunch – please make sure you have ordered online before Monday!

On Monday, please help pupils so that they don't forget:

- Water bottle
- Pencil case
- To come to school wearing warm, outdoor PE kit / trainers
- Face coverings (Y7 & Y8) with a sealable plastic bag
- Consent form for testing (Y7 & Y8)

