



WEST END PRIMARY SCHOOL

Yes I Can!



Our School

**SEPTEMBER
2025**

A very warm welcome back from all the staff at West End. We hope you have had a wonderful summer break.

The children have come back to school very keen to learn and have already shown us what they can achieve – we are so proud of them!

September has been a very busy month. We are looking forward to our Wellbeing themed week at the end of this half term and we hope that lots of you are going to be able to join us.

Please check the dates section for all of the upcoming events.

Mrs J Dey
Headteacher

Shout outs!

Celebrating excellence across school

Top table (children showing lovely manners at lunchtime): **tables 5, 7 , 14 & Mable**

Attendance (the class with the best attendance that week): **Oak, Sycamore & Beech**

Staff (the staff member/s who deserves recognition): **Miss Emma Maddison & Mrs Michelle Blaikie for giving up days during the school holiday to run the wrap around club.**

Safeguarding

Social Media Age Restrictions

Under 13
(with parental consent)



13 +



16+



18+



18

(13 with parental permission)



Safeguarding message



Mrs
Waters
DDSL



Mrs
McLeod
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Mrs
Dey
DSL



Miss
Maddison
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Mr Chapman
Safeguarding
Governor

How many children experience emotional abuse?

Most child abuse includes an element of emotional abuse, but it is recorded as a specific concern for over 1 in 3 children who are the subject of a child protection plan or on a child protection register in the UK.

There were over 7,000 contacts to the NSPCC's Helpline and over 2,600 Childline counselling sessions in 2024/25 about emotional abuse.




























Signs of Emotional Abuse

- seem unconfident or lack self-assurance
 - struggle to control their emotions
- have difficulty making or maintaining relationships
- act in a way that's inappropriate for their age.

If you have concerns, contact one of the team above or Northumberland Social Services: 01670 536400.

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 GoBubble  PopJam  GROOM SOCIAL	 Facebook  Instagram  Tumblr  Twitter  Skype  iTunes  Pinterest  MyLOL  Wink  Snapchat  TikTok  reddit  ask.fm	 WhatsApp  Telegram  Meow Chat  Meet Me  Tinder 17+	 Meow Chat  Meet Me  Tinder	 flickr  YouTube  Spotify



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Emotional abuse includes:

- humiliating or constantly criticising a child
- threatening, shouting at a child or calling them names
- making the child the subject of jokes, or using sarcasm to hurt a child
- blaming and scapegoating
- making a child perform degrading acts
- not recognising a child's own individuality or trying to control their lives
- pushing a child too hard or not recognising their limitations
- exposing a child to upsetting events or situations, like [domestic abuse](#) or drug taking
- failing to promote a child's social development
- not allowing them to have friends
- persistently ignoring them
- being absent
- manipulating a child
- never saying anything kind, expressing positive feelings or congratulating a child on successes
- never showing any emotions in interactions with a child.

Attendance Target 96% +

Beech	Sycamore	Hazel	Oak
98%	95%	92%	97%
Elm	Maple	Rowan	Cedar
94%	93%	92%	94%
Whole school			
95%			

Being in school is important to your child's academic achievement, wellbeing, and wider development.

There is evidence to suggest that regular school attendance is a key mechanism to support children and young people's educational, economic and social outcomes.

Well done Beech and Oak classes – our best attenders!

Important Upcoming Events to Note:

Wednesday 8 October – Y5 Northumberland day

Wednesday 8 October – Photographer in for individual & family photos

Thursday 9 October – PTFA Bake Sale

Friday 17 October – Y5 WWII day

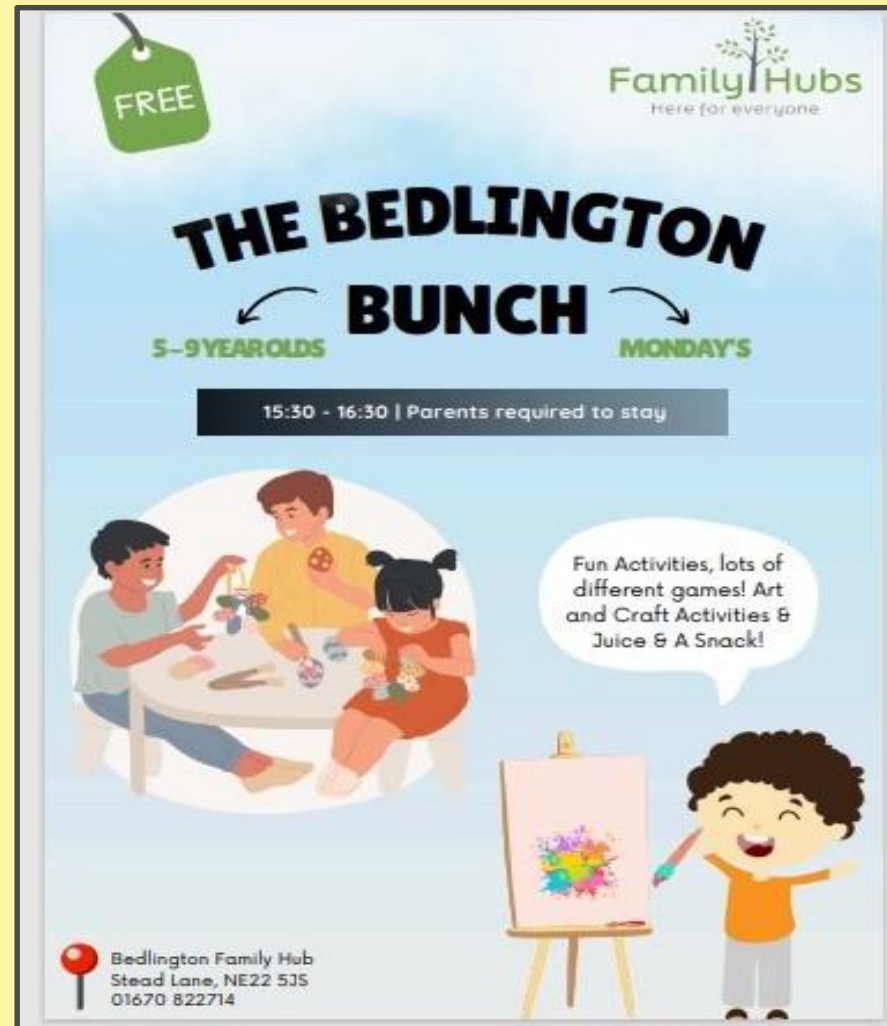
Monday 20 – 24 October - Wellbeing/Mental Health themed week – we look forward to seeing lots of you in school during this week.

Bedlington Family Hub

Bedlington Family Hub have lots of great things on offer for parents and children.

The Bedlington Bunch is a great opportunity for some fun activities.

Representatives from the family hub will be attending our upcoming parent evenings. Please talk to them and see what they have to offer.



KIDS UNIFORM AND CLOTHES BANK

Free pre-loved Bedlington school uniform and kids clothes (Newborn to 16 years)

- We help kit your kids out for school
- A warm, friendly supportive space
- Pre-loved and in good condition
- Contribute to the community and benefit the environment
- Free membership

COMMUNITY HELP HUB
30 FRONT ST WEST, BEDLINGTON



Open Thursdays 1-4pm

clothesbank@hopechurchbedlington.co.uk



Clothes Bank

We are working in partnership with the Clothes Bank at Hope Church Bedlington. They accept children's uniform, fancy dress, Christmas jumpers and clothing in good condition.

They are in need of white Polo shirts and shirts

In the months of February 2024 and January 2025 they welcomed 735 visitors and have given out almost 2100 items of uniform and children's clothing, which means, they have prevented them being thrown away and going to landfill.

Please use them instead of buying new.

Opening hours 2025-26

Tuesday 2 September – School open for Autumn A

Friday 24 October – School closes for half term

Monday 3 November – School opens for Autumn B

Thursday 18 December – School closes for Christmas break

Friday 19 December & Monday 5 January – Teacher training days

Tuesday 6 January – school open for Spring A

Friday 13 February – school closes for half term

Monday 23 February - school open for Spring B

Thursday 2 April – School closes for Easter holidays

Monday 20 April - School open for Summer A

Monday 4 May – School closed for bank holiday

Friday 22 May – School closed for half term

Monday 1 June - School open for Summer B

Friday 17 July – School closed for summer holidays

Diary Dates this term

Wednesday 8 October – Y5 Northumberland day

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Monday 20 – 24 October - Wellbeing themed week

Tuesday 21 October – PTFA Halloween Disco

Tuesday 4 November – Parents' evening

Friday 7 November – Flu immunisation

Sunday 9 November – Y2 Bedlington Remembrance parade

Wednesday 12 November – Parents' evening

Tuesday 9 December – KS1 Nativity 9:15am & 11am

Wednesday 10 December - KS1 Nativity 9:15am

Thursday 11 December – Y3 & Y4 Nativity 9:15am

Friday 12 December – Y1, 2 & 3 Whitley Bay Playhouse panto

Friday 12 December – Nursery Nativity 9:15am

Monday 15 December – Y5 & Y6 Carols by Candlelight 4pm

Tuesday 16 December - Y4 & Y5 Whitley Bay Playhouse panto

Tuesday 16 December – Reception Nativity 9:15am

Tuesday 16 December – KS1 Christmas party

Wednesday 17 December – Y6 Theatre Royal panto

Wednesday 17 December - Y3 & Y4 Christmas party

Wednesday 17 December - Y5 Christmas party

Wednesday 17 December - Reception Christmas party

Thursday 18 December – Y6 Christmas party

Thursday 18 December – Nursery Christmas party

Friday 19 December – School closed to children

Apple class Nursery

Nursery
children
have
enjoyed
exploring
their new
environm
ent inside
and out!



Beech class Reception

Reception have enjoyed exploring the school, meeting their Year 5 buddies and winning the attendance award twice!



Sycamore class

Y1

Year 1 children have enjoyed learning about their senses and settling in.



Hazel class

Y2

Year 2 children have enjoyed learning about Grace Darling, PE, creatures in the garden and being Ready, Respectful & Safe!



Oak class Y3

Year 3 have really enjoyed the visit to Woodhorn and using tone in art.



Elm class

Y4

Year 4 have enjoyed learning their times tables – a very important part of year 4!



Rowan & Maple

class

Y5

Year 5 have enjoyed meeting their Reception buddies and all things WWII.



Cedar class

Y6

Year 6 have enjoyed a trip to the Quayside and the Discovery Museum and making machines with Lego.



Wrap Around Care The Den!

Our wrap around provision continues to grow. There are so many lovely things for your child to do with us.

Usual Opening hours from 7:30am to 6pm.
Please book through the school office



THE WEST END DEN
Autumn Term
Craft Club
AFTER SCHOOL ON TUESDAYS
UNTIL 5.20PM

Sept 23rd - Clay Leaf Pots
Sept 30th - Stick Art
Oct 7th - Drawing Lesson
Oct 14th - Animatronic Hand Building
Oct 21st - Multi-Media Art Competition

Learn new skills and make new friends
Something to take home every time
Snacks Included!

BOOK VIA THE SCHOOL OFFICE

The poster features a striped border, a pinecone, a spider, a skeleton hand, a witch hat, and a girl holding a drawing.



West End Den
Foodie Friday
After School on Fridays
Until 5.20pm

Sept 26th - Mexican Food Tasting
Oct 3rd - Sweet Pizzas
Oct 10th - Cheese Tasting
Oct 17th - Cake Making
Oct 24th - Halloween Hotdogs

Please contact the school office to book

The poster features a striped border, a witch hat, a spider, a bowl of soup, and a hotdog.

Voice of the School Council

The children have voted for their new school council representatives.

Well done to all the new members.

We look forward to seeing what you do to improve our school even further.

All things PTFA

A very big thank you to the parents who volunteer to support the PTFA as well as the PTFA members. We really appreciate all your hard work.

The PTFA need volunteers in order to continue their great work. If you can spare any time at all please get in touch. Each year the money raised goes back into school to provide extra special things for your children.

Bake Sale: Thursday 9 October – your time, donations and spends are greatly appreciated!

Halloween Disco – Tuesday 21 October 5pm – 6:30pm

Winter Fun day – more details to follow.
