

# Wingrove Primary School

## Attendance Newsletter – Summer Term 2026



**Celebrating a fantastic year! Every day counts – Thank you for a wonderful year!**

As we reach the end of another fantastic academic year, we would like to celebrate all the incredible pupils that make Wingrove what it is! Excellent attendance has played a huge part in making this year such a success. Every school day brings new opportunities to learn, grow, make friends and create lasting memories. From exciting lessons and enrichment activities to sports events, performances and school trips, our pupils have embraced every opportunity available to them. We are incredibly proud of every child who has made school attendance a priority and of the parents and carers who have supported them along the way.

### **Celebrating Our Success**

This year we have seen:

- ★ outstanding attendance across many classes.
- ★ pupils demonstrating excellent commitment to their learning.
- ★ families working closely with school to support regular attendance.
- ★ countless achievements both in and out of the classroom.

### **Looking Ahead to Next Year**

As we prepare for a new academic year, let's continue to build on this year's success. We encourage every family to aim for the highest attendance possible and to make every school day count.

### **Our Attendance Challenge for 2026–2027**

- 🎯 be in school, on time, every day.
- 🎯 aim for attendance of **97% or above**.
- 🎯 make learning a priority.
- 🎯 celebrate progress and achievement together.

### **A Final Thank You**

Thank you to our amazing pupils, dedicated staff and supportive families for making this such a successful year. Your commitment, positivity and determination have helped create a thriving school where children can flourish.

Enjoy a well-deserved summer break, make wonderful memories with your loved ones, and return refreshed and ready for another fantastic year of learning.

**Together, let's make next year our best year yet—one day at a time, one lesson at a time, and with every child in school, every day!**

Hayley Paxton – Attendance & Welfare Officer 😊



The Local Authority have introduced a stepped approach to Fixed Penalties on unauthorised leave during term-term.

\*Each penalty is per parent per child. The stepped approach to fixed penalties applies within a rolling **3-year period**.



**1<sup>st</sup> Offence - £160 fine, reduced to £80 if paid within 21 days.**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Offence - £160 with no reduction for early payment.**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Offence – referral to court.**

## If your child is absent, you must call the absence line -

0191 2735466

OR

0191 2735842

**PLEASE PRESS 1.**

To speak to me, or to leave a message on the absence line, **SELECT OPTION 1** when prompted to do so. Please state your child's full name, name of their teacher and the reason for their absence. Although we strive for good attendance for all children, we understand that anyone can be ill. If your child is too unwell to come school, then please phone to let us know.



## **Illness**

All children at some point are ill, which means that they cannot attend school.

If your child has sickness and diarrhoea, then they cannot attend school for **48 hours**.

**However**, if your child has a minor complaint such as a runny nose or sore throat, then they should attend school. We find, in most cases, that children are so busy in school that they tend to forget their little illnesses very quickly.

**If you need help or advice on whether your child should stay off school, you can always use the Healthier Together App – A great place to find accurate and trusted NHS healthcare advice in the North East. All the information on the site has been checked by clinicians, to ensure they offer the best advice for parents, carers, young people and health professionals.**

## **Holiday and leave of absence**

We continue to work closely with the local authority in relation to issuing fines for holidays taken during term time. This is an increasing problem, and we feel our pupils should not miss valuable education. This term we had **36 Children** each missing on average nearly **2 weeks** of their education due to **unauthorised absence**.

Please look at the school term calendar and plan your time away during school holiday time. **Penalty fines will be enforced accordingly.**

The calendars are available from the school office and are on the school website and in noticeboards.



## September 2026

The doors will open from **0835** each morning. Reception to Year 6 pupils should be in class ready for registration at **0845** prompt. Anyone who arrives after **0845** is late and should report to the school office. Morning nursery doors open **0840** and close **0845**. Afternoon doors open at **1225** and close at **1230**. Bring children to school on time and they will be prepared for an exciting day of learning.



At the end of the school day Picking your children up on time at the end of the day is just as important as getting them to school on time. **Please remember, school finishes at 1515. Afternoon nursery at 1530.** If you think you might be late picking up your child, please ring the school office on 01912735466 and we can let your child know.

**Attendance Reward.** When a class comes in every day, Monday to Friday, the whole class will get to enjoy ice lollies.



## We love to reward good attendance 100% Attendance Draw

All children who achieve **100%** attendance, and are on time every day, each term, will have their name entered in the prize draw. A name is drawn out in Gold Assembly and the winner is awarded a collection of prizes. The children with **96%** or above each half term have their names in a prize draw and the winner is awarded a book.

## Do you know your child's attendance?

Your child's attendance is important. Keep your child in the green zone, aim for above 96% attendance. If you would like to know your child's attendance, please speak to me. I will be happy to help you with all your attendance needs.



## Film and Nacho Party

The children love to try and achieve the best attendance for their class.

Every half term, the classes in EYFS/Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2, with the best attendance, win a film afternoon complete with nachos.



## Golden Time

The class who has the fewest '**lates**' has Golden Time, once a week.



## Summer Term 2026

### Ouseburn Farm and Ice cream

Ibrahim RecSB – Erika RecCH – Maryam 1LJ – Zain 1LJ – Jay 1LD – Maryam 1LD – Luis 2EA – Taif 2EA – Kawsar 2AH – Zohaib 2AH

### Beach Trip

Jana 3CL – Hasnain 3CL – Fatimah 3CL – Aliyah 3CL – Hakan 3CL – Sisi 3HLP/ EH – Ahmed 3HLP/ EH – Antonio 3HLP/ EH – Jannat 3HLP/ EH – Maya 3HLP/ EH – Menaal 4JMc – Hassan 4JMc – Bety 4JMc – Yaqub 4JMc – Darasimi 4JM – Zareen 4JM – Subhan 4JM – Eric 4JM – Mohammed 4JM – Asbah 5TB – Mahfuz 5TB – Ali 4JM – Aniyah 5TB – Kenan 5TB – Yusuf 5LC – Ayyub 5LC – Vanessa 5LC – Aizah 5LC – Safiyyah 5LC – Dua 5LC

### Class attendance summer term 2026

|                        |              |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Nursery am             | 92.0%        |
| Nursery pm             | 91.0%        |
| Rec SB                 | 91.1%        |
| Rec CH                 | 90.6%        |
| Year 1 LJ/SK           | 92.9 %       |
| Year 1 LD              | 91.1%        |
| Year 2 AH              | 95.5%        |
| Year 2 EA              | 95.9%        |
| Year 3 CL              | 92.6%        |
| Year 3 HLP/EH          | 96.2%        |
| Year 4 JMc             | 94.0%        |
| Year 4 JM              | 98.3%        |
| Year 5 TB              | 95.9%        |
| Year 5 LC              | 96.2%        |
| Year 6 KS              | 96.6%        |
| Year 6 BR              | 94.5%        |
| Year 6 RR              | 96.7%        |
| <b>Whole School</b>    | <b>94.3%</b> |
| <b>Year 1 – Year 6</b> | <b>95.0%</b> |

### Class attendance September 2025 – July 2026

|                          |              |
|--------------------------|--------------|
| Nursery am               | 91.2%        |
| Nursery pm               | 88.6%        |
| Rec SB                   | 91.4%        |
| Rec CH                   | 89.4%        |
| 1LJ/ SK                  | 93.6%        |
| 1LD                      | 93.0%        |
| 2AH                      | 94.9%        |
| 2EA                      | 95.3%        |
| 3CL                      | 92.4%        |
| 3HLP/EH                  | 95.1%        |
| 4JMc                     | 94.2%        |
| 4JM                      | 96.8%        |
| 5TB                      | 94.7%        |
| 5LC                      | 96.1%        |
| 6KS                      | 96.1%        |
| 6BR                      | 94.7%        |
| 6RR                      | 95.6%        |
| <b>Whole School -</b>    | <b>93.9%</b> |
| <b>Year 1 – Year 6 –</b> | <b>94.7%</b> |

Punctuality matters: arriving at school on time gives your child the best start to the day, helps them join lessons without missing vital teaching or forming gaps in their learning, and reduces stress for the whole family. We know that the same pupils are often late repeatedly — establishing simple, steady routines (consistent bedtimes, preparing school bags and uniform the night before, leaving home a little earlier and agreeing a clear morning plan) makes a big difference and supports lifelong habits. If mornings are difficult for your family, please contact our attendance team (ask for Hayley Paxton or one of the senior or pastoral team members who are usually outside school every morning) so we can work with you to remove barriers and put in place practical, confidential support.

Our attendance shows improvement, which is good to see, but with lateness, we can do better. Children tell us they do not like to be late for school. Establishing good routines ensures they do not miss any of their learning and are therefore given the best chance to achieve their full potential.

Mrs Mullarkey