

20th June 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

It has been lovely to see so many of you enjoying the sunshine with your children at our Summer Fair today. Your support and generosity is very much appreciated.

Aside from the Fair it has been another super busy week in school.

We were really lucky with the weather on Monday and the children really enjoyed themselves at our Sports Day. After fierce competition I am pleased to announce that our winning house this year was Bede. Special thanks to Mr. Smith for organising and running the event, and to the Year 6 and the Year 9 Sports Leaders who attended. Not only did they do a great job of supporting the children they were great role models.

Last night saw our Pele Trust Kaleidoscope concert at the Tyne Theatre. This was an inspirational and moving evening of song and dance. As expected our children performed brilliantly and were a real credit to the school. They were impeccably behaved throughout the day and created some memories which will last a lifetime. Please check out the pictures later in the Flyer.

Year 6 joined other Church of England schools at St. Nicholas Cathedral for the Diocesan Leavers Service on Tuesday. They thought about their time at primary school and looked forward to high school through a number of practical activities and joined together for a short service. As usual they were great representatives for our school.

The excitement for Year 6 does not stop there, as next week they will join the Year 6 children from the other Pele Trust Primaries on our annual visit to France. I am sure the sun will shine and they will have a fantastic time and make some new friends.

Well done to Year 1 for the best attendance this week: 97.7%.

Well done to Year 1 for the best attendance for this year: 97.4%.

I hope that you enjoy reading this flyer and have a relaxing weekend.

Mr. A. Wheatley,

Headteacher



## Attendance Matters



**ATTEND** today...  
**ACHIEVE** tomorrow...  
**ATTENDANCE** matters.

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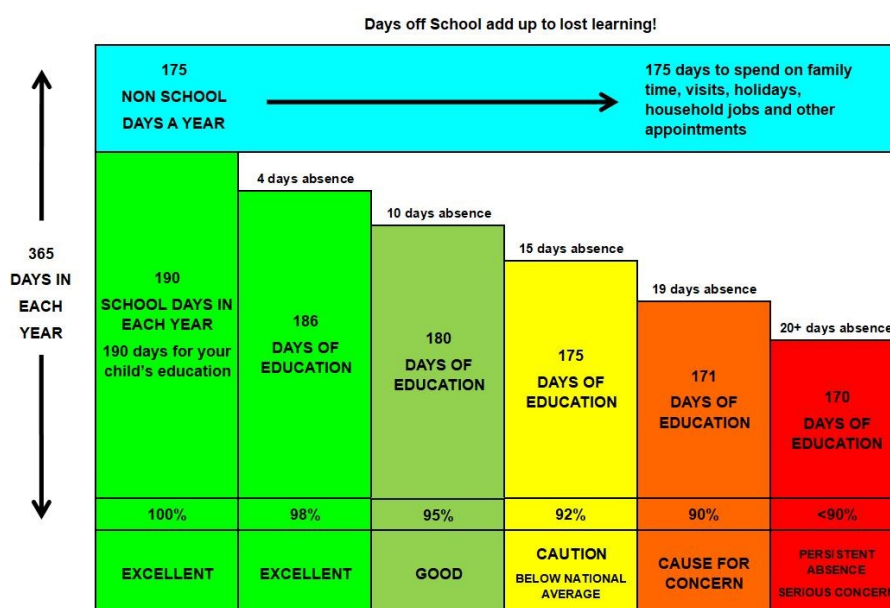


We continue to focus on attendance and punctuality so please remember that our School starts at 8.55am (9am for Nursery) and anyone arriving after this time will be marked as late.

Attendance for this week is summarised below:

Class	Attendance this week	Attendance this year	Class	Attendance this week	Attendance this year
Nursery (Hedgehogs)	96.4%	95.9%	Year 3 (Gibside)	97.6%	96.3%
Reception (Owls)	94.4%	94.7%	Year 4 (Lindisfarne)	93.5%	95.8%
Year 1 (Wallington)	97.7%	97.4%	Year 5 (Bamburgh)	95.4%	97.1%
Year 2 (Craggside)	93.6%	96.2%	Year 6 (Dunstanburgh)	94.1%	96.8%

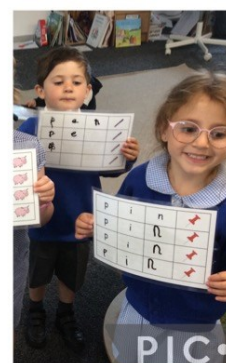
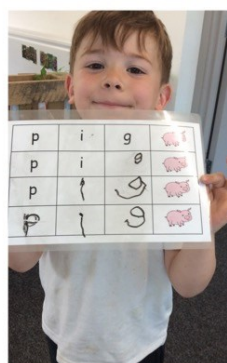
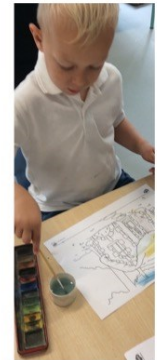
Please see the graphic below which shows the significant impact of absence over time .



'Let all that you do be done with love'

1 Corinthians 16:14

Wow, what a busy week in Nursery! The Hedgehogs are loving their new topic. They have been busy developing their cutting skills by cutting out the Three Bears, exploring watercolour paints by painting pictures from our story, retelling the story of Goldilocks using our story map and using their phonics skills to write cvc words. Well done, Hedgehogs!



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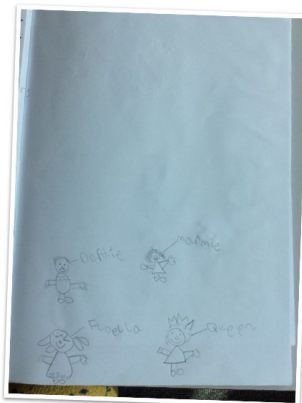
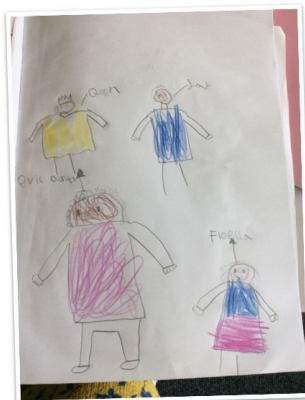
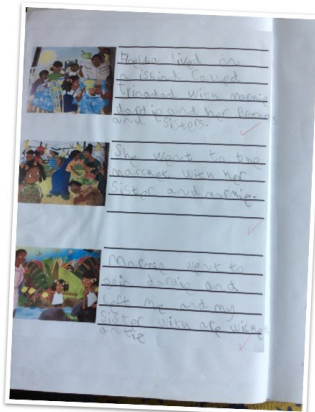
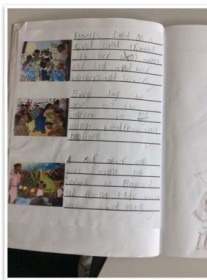


**Ourselves**



## A New Story with Year 1

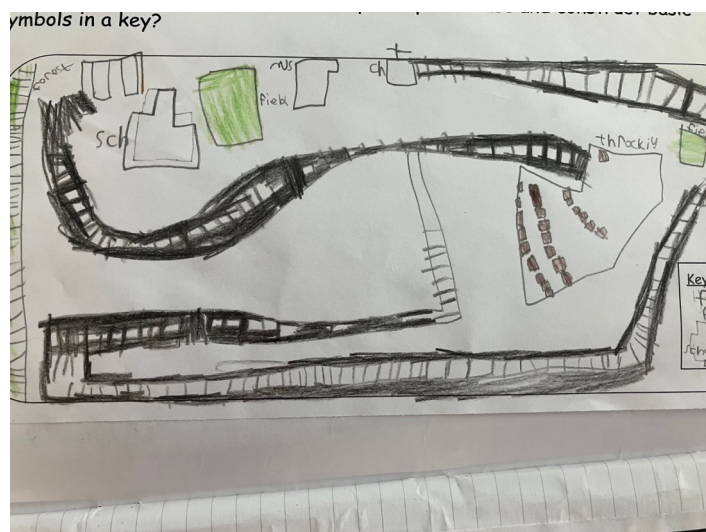
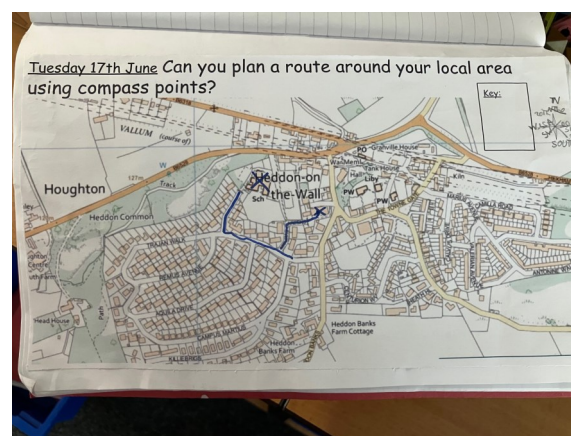
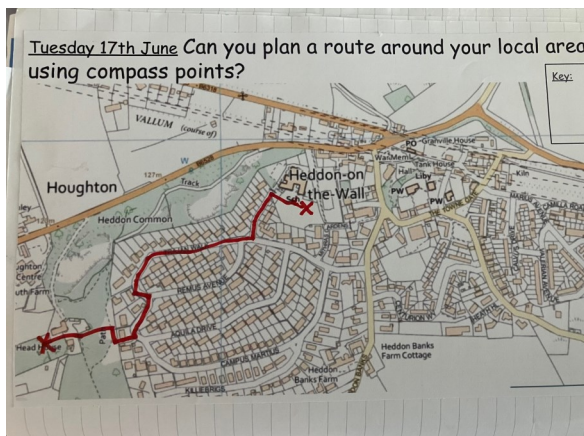
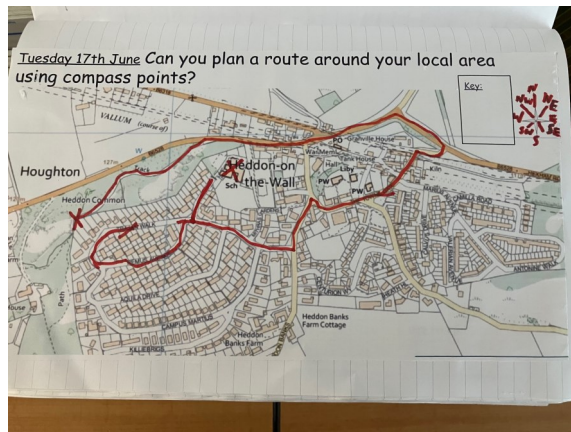
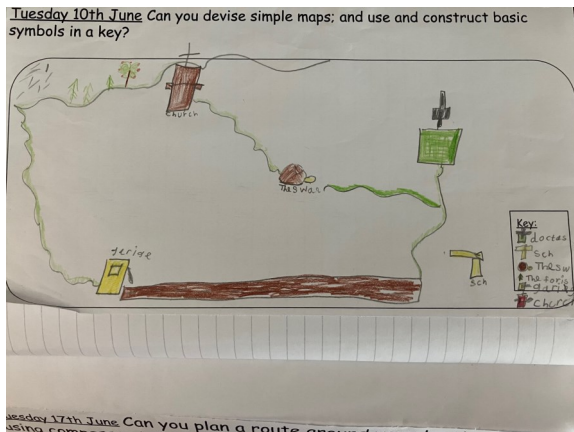
Our new story in Year 1 is called 'Coming to England' by Floella Benjamin. This week we have been busy drawing the characters from the story, sequencing illustrations from the story into the correct order and we have been writing what happens at the beginning of the story. Everybody has taken pride in making sure their work is neat. Well done Year 1!



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## Making Maps with Year 2

Y2 have loved our new Geography topic; creating maps with keys and writing compass directions to follow a route.





## Puja with Year 3

This week Year 3 have been finding out about how Hindus show their faith through puja. The children got to handle a puja tray and the different elements on it and then discuss what each object was used for and what it represented for Hindus.

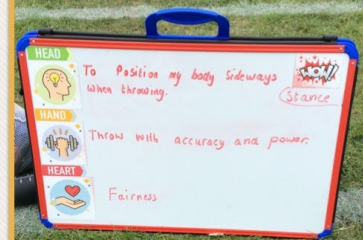


**Learning**





This week we continued our work on athletics. Our focus this week was throwing with accuracy and power. We tried to position our body sideways when throwing. Great work Year 4.



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**Ourselves**



**Learning**



This week in Maths, we've been diving into the world of decimals! We've learned how to add and subtract decimals even when they have different numbers of decimal places. Lining up the decimal points has been the key to success, and we've loved spotting patterns and solving real-life money problems too!

Match the numbers in the boxes on the left with the numbers in the boxes on the right. Write the number in the box on the right.

0.12	0.988
0.21	0.79
0.212	0.778
0.012	0.788
0.222	0.88

Complete the number sentences.

a)  $0.3 + 0.7 = 1$

b)  $0.25 + 0.75 = 1$

c)  $0.65 + 0.35 = 1$

d)  $1 = 0.01 + 0.99$

e)  $1 = 0.4 + 0.6$

f)  $0.012 + 0.988 = 1$

g)  $0.199 + 0.801 = 1$

h)  $1 = 0.99 + 0.009$

i)  $1 = 0.999 + 0.001$

j)  $0.734 + 0.266 = 1$

Handwritten multiplication problems on grid paper:

1.  $1.626 \times 1.423 = 2.315$

2.  $2.222 \times 7.137 = 15.85$

3.  $5.75 \times 3.42 = 19.665$

4.  $1.38 \times 6.79 = 9.3702$

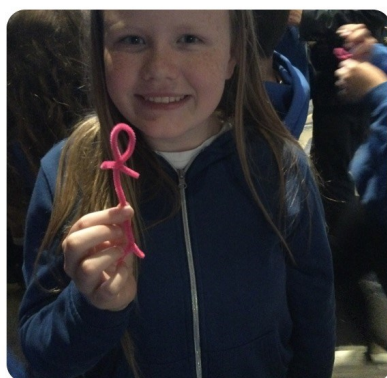
5.  $9.99 \times 0.01 = 0.0999$

6.  $3.456 \times 2.123 = 7.339248$



## Diocesan Leavers Service with Year 6

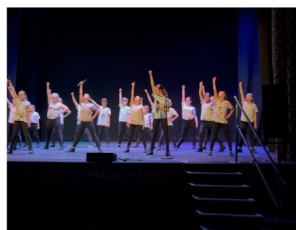
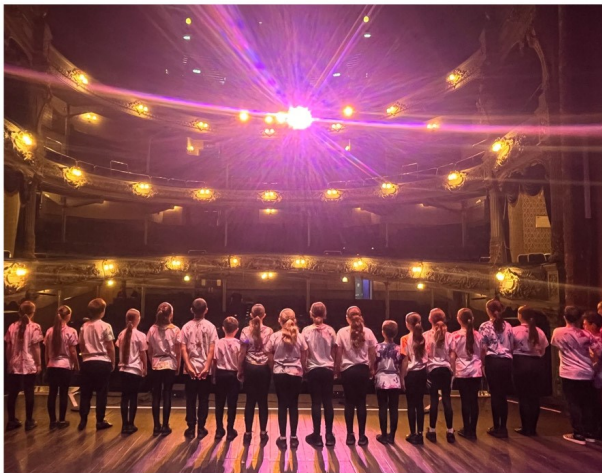
This week Year 6 attended Newcastle Cathedral to take part in a leavers celebration, where we reflected on our time in primary school. We thought about the things we have enjoyed, the challenges we faced and the skills we have built. It was lovely to listen to the children talk about their excitement for their transition to High School.



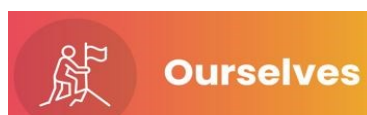


# Kaleidoscope

USING OUR DIFFERENCES TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE



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## School Games Mark Success

We are delighted to announce that we have achieved the School Games Gold Mark Award for the 2024/2025 academic year.

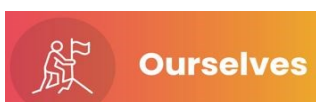
The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success

We were able to participate in a number of local inter-school competitions this year and we are extremely proud of our children for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those who have been sports and play leaders.

As part of the application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

A special thanks to Mr. Smith, Pele Trust Primary PE Lead, Mr. Walker, NUFC Foundation, Mr. Hall and Miss Robinson.

We look forward to applying again in 2026!





# READY, STEADY, SCHOOL

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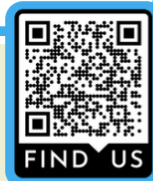
**Ready, Steady, School** sessions are for  
**children who will soon be starting nursery or school.**

Give your little ones a flying start at school or nursery, with hints and tips to encourage development and independent skills as they take their next steps. Led by Family Hub Practitioners these sessions will offer support whilst your little ones have fun.

**Starting Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> August (for 3 weeks)**  
**1:30–2:30pm at Prudhoe Family Hub**

Call: 01661 839350

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for more details.



    
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## Had a brush with nits? Switch to a comb

  
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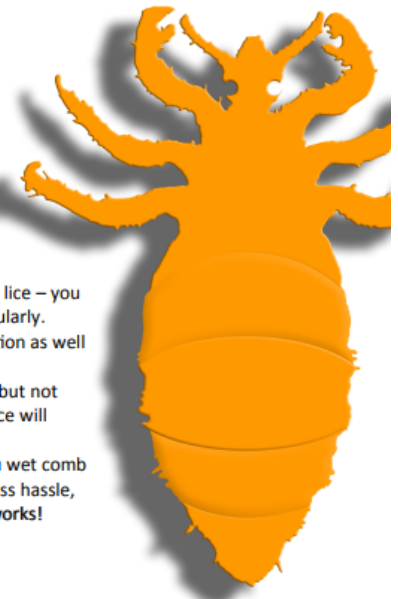


Wet combing is the most effective method of treatment for head lice.

Head lice combs come in different shapes and sizes but have finer teeth that are shaped to catch head lice and nits effectively.

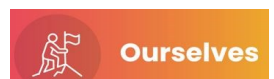
### The Facts of lice...

- Head lice and 'nits' aren't the same thing – nits are the empty eggshells which remain in the hair after the lice have hatched.
- Itching isn't the first sign of having head lice – you should carry out detection combing regularly.
- A head lice comb can be used for detection as well as treatment.
- Insecticide shampoos deal with the lice but not the eggs. There's a good chance more lice will hatch after the treatment.
- There's no insecticide needed when you wet comb – that makes it safer for your kids, it's less hassle, easier to do and most importantly – **it works!**



To wet brush your child's hair:

1. Wash the hair thoroughly with ordinary shampoo and apply plenty of conditioner
2. Yes! The hair has to be wet. Dry lice can surry away from the comb but will remain still when wet giving you a better chance of catching them in your comb;
3. Use an ordinary, wide toothed comb to straighten and untangle the hair;
4. Once the comb moves freely without dragging start to use your head lice comb;
5. Make sure the teeth of the comb slot into the hair at the roots with the edge of the teeth lightly touching the scalp;
6. Draw the comb down from the roots to the ends of the hair with every stroke, and check the comb for lice each time—remove lice by wiping the comb with tissue paper or rinsing it
7. Work through the hair, section by section, so that the whole head of hair is combed through;
8. Do this at least twice to ensure you haven't missed any areas, until no more lice are found
9. Repeat the process 5 days later just to be sure!





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## **A Message from Revd. Rachel!**

### **Join Us for a Summer Trip to Bamburgh – Tuesday 29th July!**

We hope this message finds you well and that your family are enjoying the start of summer.

We're delighted to invite you and your family on a special summer bus trip to the beautiful village of Bamburgh on Tuesday 29th July – especially for families who have links to Heddon.

Thanks to some generous funding, we're able to offer this day out at a reduced cost of just £5 for one adult and one child, with additional children at £2 each. This contribution will help us secure transport and provide a few extra treats on the day.

Bamburgh offers a stunning beach, charming shops and cafés, and the historic St Aidan's Church. There will also be beach activities for families and access to Revd Rachel's home, which includes toilet and kitchen facilities.

To help us plan and confirm coach bookings, please let us know by the end of June if you'd like to come along. You get in touch with Revd Rachel via WhatsApp on 0791 668 1128.

We hope you'll be able to join us for this relaxing and friendly day out at the seaside!



**St. Andrew's Church  
Summer Bus Trip  
to Bamburgh  
Tuesday 29th July**

Book places for a day out at the beach and the beautiful village of Bamburgh.  
£5 for adult and one child, additional children £2 each.

We are delighted that we have some funds which will cover the rest of the costs.

We do however need to know numbers before we can reserve the coach.

Please email [hmrschurches@gmail.com](mailto:hmrschurches@gmail.com) to book places or  
WhatsApp Revd Rachel to ask questions  
or find out more  
07916681128



At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit [nationalcollege.com](https://nationalcollege.com).

# What Parents & Educators Need to Know about YOUTUBE KIDS

AGE RESTRICTION  
**4+**

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

### INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT BYPASSING FILTERS

YouTube Kids is less likely to show inappropriate material than YouTube, but there have been reports of the app showing age-inappropriate content to young viewers. One investigation found that YouTube Kids had shown videos that promote skin bleaching, weight loss, drug culture and firearms to children as young as two, as inappropriate content had bypassed the platform's algorithms and human moderators.

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CENSORED

### BE WARY OF ADVERTISING

Like Google's regular YouTube app, YouTube Kids features pervasive advertising before a video plays. While these adverts are designed to be family friendly and are subject to a strict review process, it's worth noting that YouTube Kids collects information around children's viewing to inform targeted content and advertisements.

BUY NOW!

### DESIGNED TO BE ADDICTIVE

YouTube Kids is designed to be addictive. The platform's design features, such as the constant stream of new videos and the reward system of points or virtual stickers, can be very engaging and make it difficult for children to switch off. Research has shown that spending too much time using digital services such as YouTube can lead to screen addiction, affecting children's daily routines, studies, and even their social lives.

### SETTINGS CAN BE CIRCUMVENTED

YouTube Kids offers built-in parental controls, enabling you to set screen time limits and curate the content children are able to view; however, children are often more tech-savvy than we think. They can easily bypass or tweak these settings if they have access to the associated Google account password, thereby exposing themselves to age-inappropriate and potentially dangerous content.

### AI-GENERATED MISINFORMATION

There is also a risk of children accessing videos that contain disinformation and misinformation. A BBC investigation found that some YouTube channels are using artificial intelligence (AI) technology to create misleading 'scientific' videos that are recommended to children as educational content. These videos included conspiracy theories and ideas that lack scientific backing.

### DATA COLLECTION RISK

While there are limits on the data that YouTube can collect on children under 13, children can still inadvertently give away sensitive information when using YouTube Kids. The platform collects data on children's viewing habits, content searches and location, which YouTube and third-party advertisers can use.

## Advice for Parents & Educators

### PARENTAL CONTROLS

YouTube Kids offers several settings that allow you to manage what content children can view. For example, you can choose what level of content you want them to access, such as 'Preschool' or 'Younger'. You can also turn off the search function, so that only those videos approved by the YouTube Kids team themselves will appear on a child's recommendations list.

### SET TIME LIMITS

The built-in parental controls let you keep a tab on how long children spend watching videos. You can set a timer that limits screen time and disables the YouTube Kids app once a specified length of time has been reached. It's also worth speaking to children about the dangers of spending too much time on YouTube, to ensure they remain focused on other, more important activities.

### CHECK WATCH HISTORY

YouTube Kids has made it easy for you to keep an eye on what the children in your care have been watching on the app. By clicking on the 'Recommended' icon at the top right of the home screen, you can see which videos they've been viewing, and how much of each. If a child watches YouTube Kids while signed into a Google account, you can check their history through Google's 'My Activity' page.

### WATCH TOGETHER

It's important that you try to make YouTube Kids a fun and positive experience for children. One way to do this is by introducing watching sessions, where you all gather around and share the most enjoyable videos that you have recently watched. This can be a great way of giving you both new things to talk about and of keeping an eye on what they're watching.

### Meet Our Expert

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## Heddon-on-the-Wall St Andrew's CE Primary School 2025/26

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### Bank holidays 2025/26 UK

25 December '25	Christmas Day	1 January '26	New Year's Day	4 May '26	Early May Bank Holiday
26 December '25	Boxing Day	3 April '26	Good Friday	25 May '26	Spring Bank Holiday
		6 April '26	Easter Monday	31 August '26	August Bank Holiday

School Holidays

Training Days

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## Dates for your Diary - Summer Term



Monday 23rd June 2025 - Friday 27th June 2025	Year 6 France Trip
w/c Monday 30th June 2025	Bikeability for Year 5
Thursday 3rd July 2025 and Friday 4th July 2025	Year 6 Transition Days at Ponteland High School
w/c Monday 7th July 2025	Kaleidoscope Exhibition at Ponteland High School
Tuesday 8th July 2025	Year 6 Stadium Tour at St. James' Park
Wednesday 9th July 2025	Crepe Man visit to see Year 4, 5 and 6
Thursday 10th July 2025	Pele Trust Choir Concert (part of Kaleidoscope project)
Friday 11th July 2025	Rocksteady Concert for Parents/Carers in School Hall at 10am
Friday 11th July 2025	School Reports sent out
Monday 14th July 2025	Moving Up Morning
Monday 14th July 2025	Heddon's Got Talent Final (for children only)
Tuesday 15th July 2025	Music and Drama Showcase at 5pm in School Hall
Thursday 17th July 2025	Year 6 Leavers Assembly in School Hall at 2pm
<b>w/c Monday 21st July 2025</b>	<b>SUMMER HOLIDAYS</b>