

# Hexham First School Newsletter May 2026

**WE  
BELONG  
HERE**

**WE ARE ALL  
IMPORTANT TO  
OUR SCHOOL, OUR  
COMMUNITY AND  
OUR FAMILY.**

Our school attendance target is: 97%  
Attendance for the last month is 89.9%  
10 days off equates to 50 hours of lost  
learning.



## EYFS

Mrs Moore, Miss Paisley and Miss Ward write; What a busy term we've had in Early Years! We have been busy exploring our outdoor area, learning how to plant herbs and flowers. The children also planted their own beans after reading Jack and the Beanstalk. We took part in a meteorological NUSTEM workshop making wind socks with our families. We have loved having mystery readers reading us stories, sign up if you'd like to be our next mystery reader! The final excitement has been the arrival of our ladybird eggs which are now larvae. We can't wait to see how they grow in the coming weeks.

## KS1

Miss Barton writes; We have been learning lots in KS1 this half term. In science we have been learning about plants and what they need to grow. We have planted green beans and so far the majority of them have started to grow! The children have gone back in time to 1066 with the Norman invader William the conqueror seeking out his claim to the English throne. In English we have been spotting apostrophes and have learned about how to use them in our writing.





# KS2

Miss Taylor writes; Year 3 and 4 have had an exciting half-term. We began with a sunny trip to Vindolanda and the Roman Army Museum. Children loved looking at the Roman Artefacts and learning about life in Roman Britain. In English, we have begun to read 'Cloud Tea Monkeys' which has involved children becoming Tea Tasting Apprentices. Year 3 have completed our 'Enchanted Forest' in art, which is ready to be submitted into the County Show. Children have enjoyed using recycled materials and natural objects to form part of their forest.

Mrs Beveridge adds; Year 4 also had an exciting visit to Northumbria University, where we took part in a science workshop focused on solar physics. Riley, a student from the university, gave us a tour of the campus and showed us some amazing facilities, including the climbing wall and Olympic-sized swimming pool, which the children loved!

## Roblox- online safety

Roblox has introduced two new age-based accounts: Roblox Kids for users ages 5 to 8 and Roblox Select for users ages 9 to 15. Roblox Kids Accounts (ages 5-8) will be limited to games with a 'Minimal or Mild' content maturity label and all communication is disabled by default. Roblox Select accounts (ages 9 to 15) will be limited to games with content maturity labels up to and including 'Moderate'. By default, Experience Chat is ON and Direct Experience Chat is OFF. The differences in chat are outlined here: <https://about.roblox.com/safety-by-age>



## Diary Dates

- 1/6/26- Back to school
- 5/6/26- KS2 Theatre and workshop in school
- 11/6/26- Y3 visit to HMS
- 18/6/26- Year 3 visit to St Joseph's
- 24/6/26 EYFS Farm trip and Middle School Rounders afternoon Y4
- 26/6/26 KS1 trip to Hall Hill Farm
- 29/6/26 Sports Day 1.15-3pm
- 6/7/26 EYFS Beach trip
- 7/7/26 - Transfer day
- 9/7/26- End of Day Bake Sale and preloved uniform stall
- 3/7/26- Reports sent home.
- 10/7/26 Last day of term for Nursery
- 16/7/26 - Leavers Assembly 2.30-3pm
- 17/7/26- Last day of term for Rec- Y4

