

FRIDAY LETTER



17/ 10/ 2025



Year 6 visited Wagamama restaurant this week

Countdown to half term

It's only one more week until the half-term break. It was a busy start to the week with school photograph day on Monday. All individual, family and class pictures were taken and proofs arrived quickly to be sent home on Wednesday. The deadline for orders is **FRIDAY 7th NOVEMBER**. Please return on or before that date.

Don't forget you can keep up to date with what's been happening in school on our Facebook page and website.

Staffing update: all change in the office



As you know, Mrs Willoughby will retire from Crookhill at the end of this month. After the half-term break, Mrs Tighe will take up her new position as office manager. Mrs Tighe has been working alongside Mrs Willoughby throughout this term and is looking forward to her new job at Crookhill.

Out and about - Year Six



On Tuesday, year six headed out on the first school trip of the year with a trip to the Metro Centre where they visited Wagamama restaurant for a food tech workshop. The children were pretty adventurous, sampling some strong flavours and textures such as kimchee, pickled ginger and tofu! We were well looked after with a free lunch. It was lovely to hear the restaurant staff compliment the children on their excellent behaviour and enthusiasm for the activities.

Residential Meeting for Year 6 parents:

A reminder that there will be a meeting for parents of year six children who are attending the residential at Robinwood next half term (12-14th November).

The meeting will take place at 3.30pm in the year 6 classroom and will last around half an hour.

If you are unable to attend, the information will be shared on line on our class page after the meeting.

The meeting will be a chance to find out a little more about what the children will do at Robinwood, what they need to take (and what they don't need) as well as an opportunity to ask any questions that you may have.



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Spooks and Sparkles Disco

It's less than one week until the Spooks and Sparkles Disco! Excitement is building as always. Here's a few reminders:

- > The disco starts at 4pm and will end at 5.30pm.
- > It's £2 entry payable on the door (cash only)
- > There are refreshments available and some pocket money price toys. Please send money in a named purse or wallet. Cash (coins) only - no notes please!
- > Children are welcome to dress up but please leave any accessories (weapons etc) at home as they can easily get lost or broken.

At the end of the disco, children in Reception and Year 1 (and their older siblings) will be dismissed from the Reception and Year 1 doors. All other children will be dismissed from the hall via the main entrance - we hope this will ease congestion problems at pick up time!



Updates:

Although our clubs continue next week and after the half-term break, football training is now finished for the winter. Thank you to all of the boys and girls who attended this half term. As soon as it's light enough (and dry enough) we'll be back in training ready for the rest of the league games in 2026. **Can any of the football team who still have kit from last week's games, please return it to school asap! Thank you.**

Don't forget, the application deadline for secondary school places is **FRIDAY 31st OCTOBER**. Parents of pupils in Year 6 are reminded to make sure they submit their applications on or before this date. You can apply online on the Gateshead Council website <https://www.gateshead.gov.uk/article/2797/Secondary-school-admissions-September-2026>

More information is on the Year 6 Class Page



Coming up at Crookhill:

- 21.10.25 - Show Racism the Red Card: Workshops for Years 4,5 and 6
- 21.10.25 - Year 6 parents meeting (Residential) 3.30pm
- 23.10.25 - Spooks and Sparkles Disco (4pm - 5.30pm)
- 24.10.25 - End of Half Term
- 3.11.25 - INSET DAY (school closed to pupils)
- 4.11.25 - School reopens after half term
- 7.11.25 - Year 5/6 pupils to attend Stargate memorial for Remembrance Day
- 10.11.25 - Odd Socks Day for Anti-Bullying
- 11.11.25 - Flu Immunisation in School
- 12.11.25 - 14.11.25 - Year 6 Residential to Robinwood
- 17.11.25 - LAST WEEK FOR CLUBS THIS WEEK/ Road Safety Week
- 24.11.25 / 25.11.25 - Parent Consultations
- 27.11.25 - Christmas Tree Lighting - Ryton Methodist Church (after school)
- 28.11.25 - Festivals of Light Day / Non-Uniform
- 5.12.25 - Christmas Fayre



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