



TEBAY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 8th May 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have to start the newsletter with some exciting baby news
We are thrilled to announce that little Parker Collinson has arrived safely. Mum and baby are both doing well.
A huge congratulations to Mr and Mrs Collinson. We can't wait to meet him! ❤️😊



Growing Gardeners

Our Little Acorns have been very busy using their little green fingers this week! The children have been weeding the vegetable beds, creating vegetable spoon signs to help identify what they have planted, planting seeds, and making their very own cress heads.
Next week, the excitement continues as the children will be planting sunflowers to brighten up their outdoor garden. We can't wait to watch everything grow.



Growing Well

Our Acorn and Oak classes enjoyed a wonderful learning experience on their recent trip to Growing Well at Tebay Services. We were extremely grateful to the Growing Well team, who kindly collected us in their minibus, making the visit even more special.

The Acorns visited in the morning and took part in an exciting scavenger hunt, where they searched for a range of natural objects, including moss. They then had the opportunity to plant their own seeds, developing their understanding of how plants grow and thrive.

After lunch, it was the Oaks' turn to visit. They expertly put their scientific knowledge into practice from their topic on Plant Reproduction. The children tasted a variety of herbs and lettuce that were growing on site and even had the chance to sample an edible flower! The afternoon ended with the Oaks planting hazelnuts, rounding off a fantastic hands-on learning experience. A huge thank you to the Growing Well team for their generosity, knowledge and enthusiasm, and for providing such a memorable and inspiring trip for our pupils.



Team Tebay Reading Time

We have introduced Team Tebay Reading Time across Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2, and it has already proved to be a very successful initiative. At the end of each day, children spend 10 minutes in paired reading activities.

Our older pupils act as reading leaders, first modelling fluent reading to their younger partner before listening carefully as the younger child reads the text back to them. It has been wonderful to see our reading leaders taking their role so seriously and spending time supporting and encouraging our younger readers.

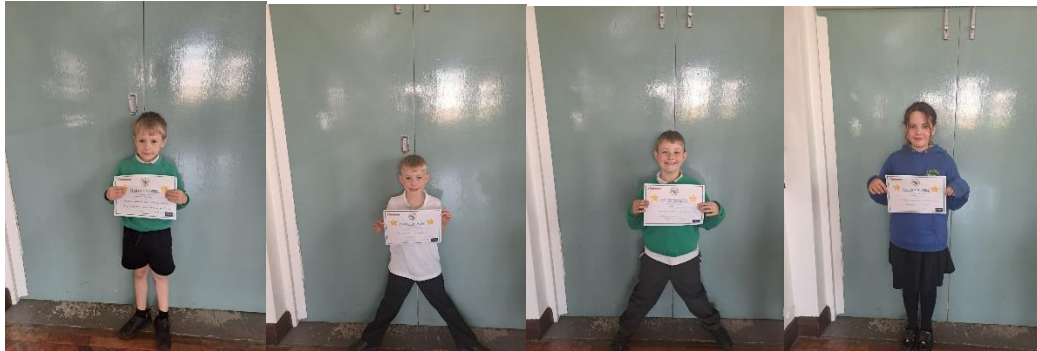
Look out for photos of Team Tebay Reading Time on our social media pages.

You may also notice the initials TTRT written in your child's reading record each day. This indicates that your child has taken part in Team Tebay Reading Time and that the reading leader has signed to confirm they have had the opportunity to practise their reading.

This initiative has been extremely positive, and we plan to swap reading partners after half term to give children the chance to work with someone new.



Stars of the week:
Week ending 1st May:



Jacob – for brilliant phonics work and for always being hard working and positive in learning.

Leo – for being kind and considerate.

Rory – for consistently putting in the effort in lessons.

Brooke – for excellent application in all her work.

Week ending 8th May:



Lucie – for always caring for others and showing great friendship skills.

Jack – for speaking with confidence in English lessons, sharing his ideas.

Scarlett – for trying extra hard with her studies this week.

Core values:

Week ending 1st May:

Demonstrating the ability to self regulate



Samuel, Amelia, Maisie and Charlotte

Week ending 8th May:

Displaying the skills of a super active listener:



Luna B, Molly and Gabby

Dates for diaries

Mon 11th May to Thurs 14th May - Year 6 SATS week.

Thurs 14th May – Sausage demonstration with David Morland, Westmorland (change of date)

Sat 16th May – FOTS fundraiser in school (*please see the info above*)

Mon 18th May – Class photographs

Thurs 21st May – Year 1 and 2 to KSGS for a multi sports festival (see form on Parentmail)

Fri 22nd May - Break up. NO after school club.

Mon 1st June - Back to school.

Wed 3rd June – Year 4 to 6 residential parents information session 3.30pm in school.

Wed 10th June - Whole school sports day (pm weather permitting).

Sat 13th June – Greenholme show

Mon 22nd June to Wed 24th June - Year 4, 5 and 6 residential.

Mon 29th June to Fri 3rd July - Whole school swimming (after lunch)

Sat 11th July - Village sports day.

Fri 17th July - 2.30pm Year 6 leavers/celebration assembly. Break up at the normal time. NO after school club.