

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025

## Nursery - The Foxes, Squirrels and Deers



Nursery have been busy developing their social and emotional skills. One of their favourite experiences was our stay-and-play session, where we invited grown-ups into our Nursery setting. Together, we shared a story, made beautiful shiny stars, and built some amazing rockets.

## Reception - Teams 1, 2 & 3



The children in Reception have loved exploring our forest. They especially enjoyed observing seasonal changes, creating beautiful nature art, and cooking over the fire. Throughout these experiences, the children have shown curiosity, asked thoughtful questions, and investigated independently.

## Year 1 - Teams 4, 5 & 6



Year 1 visited the Independent Methodist Church in Murton, where they explored and learned all about the inside of a church building. The children also enjoyed taking part in the Year 1 sleepover, where they joined in festive activities such as T-shirt decorating, party games, and sipping hot chocolate before camping out in sleeping bags in the hall.

## Year 2 - Teams 7 & 8

Our Year 2 children have been busy exploring and learning beyond the classroom! To support their Geography learning, the children enjoyed a walk around Murton, spotting and discussing the key features of a village. The children had a fantastic time making memories while deepening their understanding of history and geography. What an inspiring term!



## Year 3 - Teams 9 & 10



Year 3 visited the Hancock Museum to learn about Stone Age artefacts from the pre historic era. They enjoyed holding and describing these unique items. The children also visited Rainton Meadow Nature Reserve where they observed animals in their natural habitats.

## Year 4 - Teams 11 & 13

Year 4 visited to The Centre for Life where they found out about how the human body digests food. Children also had a hands-on exploration of sounds, forces and the stars. They also visited Arbeia Roman Fort, learning about Roman hierarchy and culture.



## Year 5 - Teams 15, 16 & 17



Year 5 visited Teesmouth Field Centre, where they explored the River Tees and learned about its journey from source to mouth. The children also visited the Oriental Museum, where they discovered Egyptian beliefs about death and the afterlife.

## Year 6 - Teams 18, 19 & 20

Year 6 enjoyed taking part in a World War Two workshop. They particularly enjoyed experiencing what life was like on the Home Front. They also visited Sunderland Mosque, observing how Muslims worship and learning more about different faiths.



## Residential Experiences 2025 - 26

- Year 1 - Hall Winter Sleepover (December 2025)
- Year 2 - Summer Camp Festival (July 2026)
- Year 3 - Beamish (June 2026)
- Year 4 - Moor House (April 2026)
- Year 5 - Wilderness Company (June 2026)
- Year 6 - Newby Wiske Hall (July 2026)

## Term Holidays 2025 - 26

**Closes for Christmas** - Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025.

**School reopens** - Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2026  
(Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January is a training day).

**Closes for Spring Half Term** - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026.

**School reopens** - Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2026.

**Closes for Easter** - Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2026.

**School reopens** - Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2026.

**Closed for May Day** - Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026.