RUNNING AND CYCLING TRAIL

Our children learn how to ride a bike and carry out basic mechanics while gaining confidence and improving personal fitness. We're proud to have Newcastle's first all-weather cycling, running, and walking track, providing our children with unparalleled experiences and life-changing opportunities.

RAISING ASPIRATIONS PROGRAMME (RAP)

Guiding every child towards their full potential requires positive adult role models. That's why we regularly welcome inspirational speakers to our school, igniting motivation and elevating life aspirations.

RESILIENCE

Our resilience module has been created based on insights from Neuro-Linguistic Programming (NLP) research. Rooted in our core values, this module is designed to **foster confidence and enhance communication** and interpersonal skills in our children.

PHILANTHROPY

Being caring and principled are two core values that make up part of our daily code at WDPS.

Here are some examples of how we put empathy into action:

- Sweating it out to raise funds for CHUF at our 24 Hour Fitness Event.
- Honouring and supporting The Royal British Legion's vital work during Remembrance.
- Taking strides for change through sponsored walks to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support, Disability North East, Alan Shearer Centre, Young Musicians' Fund, and Crisis Point.

LIFE MANUAL - TURING SCHEME PROJECT

For the past two years WDPS has been awarded a Turing Scheme Grant, fully-funding a trip for a group of student ambassadors to visit our international partner school in Amsterdam. Children travel by cycle and ferry to strengthen our friendship with ttsa.nl and work to create our 'Life Manual' to help children make positive life choices.





"A magical place in which to learn."

Ofsted report, 2023

At West Denton Primary School (WDPS) it's our mission to unlock the full spectrum of every child's talents. From nurturing life skills in our bushcraft area and raising aspirations through inspirational speakers, to building confidence and improving fitness at our all-weather cycle track, we've created a roadmap for a thriving life journey.

We aim to inspire our children outside of the classroom so that we can engage them academically inside of the classroom.



For more information on our academic progress please visit: bit.ly/485yRSI



CORE VALUES



Our School Council, Governors, children, and staff have worked together to craft a blueprint for success through our list of 'Attitudes to Promote' and 'Learner Profile'. Children who represent these core values are rewarded, including in our Friday Achievers' Assembly.

ATTITUDES TO PROMOTE

- Confidence
- Curiosity
- Respect
- Independence
- Cooperation
- Commitment
- Creativity
- Enthusiasm
- Tolerance
- Integrity
- Empathy
- Adaptability

LEARNER PROFILE

- Caring
- Well-balanced
- Enquirers
- Thinkers
- Risk-takers
- Communicators
- Knowledgeable
- Principled
- Open-minded
- Reflective

LIFE SKILLS CHALLENGE AWARD (LSCA)

We've created the **WDPS LSCA** to empower every child to thrive in life. This transformative award spans 7-8 years, helping our children gain knowledge and develop advanced thinking and practical skills.

Children dive into a world of:

- ✓ Navigation skills
- Shelter expertise
- Fire building and culinary skills
- Local habitats exploration (Flora and Fauna)
- Service to others
- O Best Life (Health, Nutrition, and Exercise)
- First Aid
- Cycle mastery
- WDPS Olympics Challenge

BUSHCRAFT

We're dedicated to equipping our children with practical life skills that pave the way for setting and achieving ambitious goals. Our exclusive Bushcraft Area is designed to immerse every child in the wonders of nature and outdoor learning in a unique setting. Children learn how to safely use tools, build shelters, master various fire types, prepare meals, and much more.

