

Wednesday 1st February 2023

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# Newsletter

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## CHILDREN'S VOICE

"I have met some new friends and I have learnt about equal and unequal groups in Maths - Matilda 2B"



## HALF TERM

**School closes on Friday 10th February 2023 and opens on Monday 20th February 2023**

## INTERNET SAFETY DAY - 7TH FEBRUARY 2023

This year's theme is "Want To Talk About It?" - making space for conversation about life online. Safer Internet Day is a global celebration in February each year, to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people, and to inspire a national conversation about using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically, and creativity.



**CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK** - Children's Mental Health Week will take place from 6th-12th February 2023 and the year's theme is Let's Connect.

Let's Connect is about making meaningful connections. People thrive in communities, and this connection is vital for our wellbeing. When we have healthy connections—to family, friends and others—this can support our mental health and our sense of well being.

## PURPLE DAY FRIDAY 27TH JANUARY 2023

Thank you for all of your support for our child led charity day. We have raised an amazing £519.67 for Brain Cancer Research. This is a true reflection of the wonderful community Hendal is part of. A big thank you to the PHSE Ambassadors for their help and support.

## EXTRA SPECIAL HEADTEACHERS MENTION

I would like to take this opportunity to give a very special mention to Millie, Peyton, Porsha and Ria for their thought provoking presentation and amazing leadership skills, shown in their preparation and delivery of Purple Day activities. Your compassion and teamwork has been truly inspirational and I am tremendously proud of you all.

## Chinese New Year

We have celebrated the Chinese New Year with a whole School assembly. 2023 is The Year of The Rabbit and we would like to introduce to you our very own Rabbit - Louie who lives in Year 6.



## EYFS - SPACE EXPEDITION

Our EYFS children and staff would like to invite parents to join us in a Space Expedition on Monday 6th February 2023.



## IT'S A BOY

Congratulations to Olivia, Koby and Willow on the birth of their new baby brother Vinnie who was born on 16th January 2023 weighing 6lb 11oz.



## YEAR 1 Chinese New Year Fun Day

Just a reminder that we have invited our Year 1 parents to our Chinese craft morning as part of Year 1's current topic 'How Amazing Is Asia?'. Parents can stay from 8.50am-10am. Children can wear red/gold on this day as we celebrate our learning with a Chinese banquet in the afternoon.



## TIMES TABLE ROCKSTARS - BATTLE BETWEEN SCHOOLS

Kettlethorpe High School have set up a battle between a number of Schools in the area. There is a username and password for your child to use and to have access to the battle. Once they have logged on, they just click 'Battle of the Bands' to access the competition.

School Name: Kettlethorpe High School  
Username: matgen1  
Password: mzs



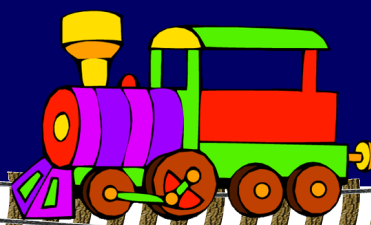
**Year 4 Parents Meeting Multiplication Check** - Year 4 parents are invited to a multiplication check meeting on Wednesday 8th February in the School Hall at 5pm, or Thursday 9th February at 9.10am in Class 4A. Year 4 will be taking part in this check in June this year. The purpose of the check is to determine whether pupils can fluently recall their times table up to 12, which is essential for future success in mathematics. It will also support your child's teacher to identify pupils who may need additional support.

Designated Safeguarding Leads - Mrs K Ashton (Headteacher), Mr D Benson (Deputy Headteacher), Mrs R Knowles (Assistant Head Teacher, SENCO & Early Years Foundation Leader), Safeguarding Governor - Mrs A Spiers (Chair of Governors - [aspier@hendal.wakefield.sch.uk](mailto:aspier@hendal.wakefield.sch.uk)) If you have any concerns regarding the welfare of children you can contact Social Care Direct on 0345 850 3503

# Attendance Tracking



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Class	Weekly Attendance
Llama (6A)	97.3%
Penguin (6B)	91.3%
Orca (5A)	97%
Falcon (5B)	97.93%
Zebra (4A)	93%
Koala (4B)	93.6%
Elephant (3A)	96.3%
Giraffe (3B)	98.9%
Toucan (2A)	95.1%
Flamingo (2B)	94.8%
Tiger (1A)	99.1%
Panda (1B)	93.6%
Lions 1 (UF1)	89.2%
Lions 2 (UF2)	95.7%

## 100% Class Attendance Non Uniform

Unfortunately no classes achieved 100% for week commencing 23rd January 2023.

### ATTENDANCE

If a class gets 100% they are allowed to come in non school uniform the following Friday. Children love trying to achieve this and we would be grateful if you could support us with this.

### ATTENDANCE CLASS LEADERS

1A	Half Term reward for extra playtime on last day of half term.
1A	Termly reward of a golden hour on last day of term.
1A	Whole School yearly reward of a visit by the Ice Cream van.

### LATE ARRIVALS

**35** children arrived late last week - this means that they lost valuable learning time and did not get the best possible start to the school day. Why not bring your child to our breakfast club to make sure they are at school ready to start lessons on time every day.

## EVERY DAY COUNTS!

### ATTENDANCE INDICATORS

Below 90%	Unacceptable persistent absence - serious cause for concern.
90-94.99%	Cause for concern - less chance of progression
95-97.99%	Satisfactory - room for improvement
98-99.99%	Good
100%	Excellent

Attendance as  
at 27th January 2023  
**95.28% (Target 96%)**

At Hendal Primary School we are dedicated to ensuring that each child has the opportunity to learn to the best of their ability and reach their full potential. To achieve this it is vital that children attend school every day, and arrive on time.

## Star of the week

Class	Star of the Week	Class	Star of the Week
Llama (6A)	Maxie	Toucan (2A)	Ellie
Penguin (6B)	Isabelle	Flamingo (2B)	Sereena
Orca (5A)	Zelda-Rose	Tiger (1A)	Nikita
Falcon (5B)	Isaac	Panda (1B)	Kenrick
Zebra (4A)	Abigail	Lions (UF1)	Harris
Koala (4B)	Kai	Lions (UF2)	Cora
Elephant (3A)	Aisha	Lion Cubs	Whole School
Giraffe (3B)	Daria	Lion Cubs	Whole School