

Wednesday 11th October 2023

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# Newsletter

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## CHILDREN'S VOICE

*"We have made missing posters to find Traction Man and Scrubbing Brush. We have put them up around School!"*  
Lewis - 2A



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thurs 12th Oct	EYFS Open Evening 4pm -6pm
Fri 20th Oct	Wear Red for "Show Racism the Red Card"
Tues 24th and Thurs 26th Oct	Parents Evenings
Thurs 26th Oct	Harvest Festival Assembly
Mon 30th Oct - Fri 3rd Nov	HALF TERM School Closes Friday 30th and Reopens Mon 6th Nov
Fri 17th Nov	Children In Need
Tues 21st Nov	EYFS & KS1 Cinema Night
Thurs 23rd Nov	KS2 Cinema Night
Mon 27th Nov	Inset Day School Closed
Thurs 30th Nov	Christmas Fair
Tues 12th Dec	Years 1, 2 & 3 Christmas Concert
Thurs 14th Dec	Years 4, 5 & 6 Christmas Concert
Fri 15th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
Mon 18th Dec	Year 1 & 2 Party
Tues 19th Dec	EYFS Christmas Concert
Wed 20th Dec	Year 3 & 4 Party
Thurs 21st Dec	EYFS Party 10-2 and Year 5&6 Party
Fri 22nd Dec	Inset School Closed
Thurs 21st Dec	END OF TERM
Friday 22nd Dec	Inset Day School Closed and Reopens Mon 8th Jan

## Coffee Morning

Thank you to all parents who attended the coffee morning run with the Wakefield Early Help Hub. We hope you found this helpful.

## YORKSHIRE BUILDING SOCIETY

Thank you to Yorkshire Building Society who delivered some Money Minds Workshops in School, to teach some Key Stage 2 children how to budget and look after their money. This is a crucial life skill and we are pleased to be able to deliver this extra curricular learning.

## SAFEGUARDING

Polite Reminder - To avoid accidents or injuries, please do not let your children play on the play equipment before and after School. Children remain the responsibility of parents until they enter the School building.

## HARVEST FESTIVAL

Don't forget to request your tickets for your child's Harvest Festival Assembly.  
Years 1, 2 and 3 Harvest Assembly Thursday 26th Oct at 1.30 pm  
Years 4, 5 and 6 Thursday 26th Oct at 2.15 pm

Please remember to send any donations you may have to School before Thursday 26th October, it would be greatly appreciated. Ideas for donations: any tinned food e.g. meat, fish, vegetables, fruit and soup, tinned stews/chilli, pasta, coffee and tea bags. We are donating all items to the local community.



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## Early Years Foundation Stage Open Evening

Tomorrow at 4pm is our Early Years Open Evening, where prospective new parents can visit the Nursery and Reception indoor and outdoor environments. Please let any friends and family know about this event.



## NON-UNIFORM DAY - WEAR RED

On Friday 20th October 2023 children and staff can come to School wearing something Red. This is to raise awareness and show our support for "Show Racism the Red Card", the UK's leading anti-racism charity.

## YEAR 3 WORKSHOPS



Last week two palaeontologists from Leeds University visited Year 3. The children handled and drew fossils. Yesterday they took part in a stone age workshop run by Wakefield Museum where they learnt about how people lived in the stone age and handled artefacts from the stone age.



## Pyjama Day Wakefield Hospice - Friday 6th October 2023

A big thank you to everyone for supporting The Wakefield Hospice Pyjama Day. We raised a fantastic £256.

## PARENTS EVENINGS

- Face to face Teacher/Parent Consultations will take place on Tuesday 24th and Thursday 26th October 2023. Please note Class 1A's will take place on Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th October.



## ATTENDANCE - EVERY DAY COUNTS

A huge well done to all our children for our fantastic attendance last week. Let's see if we can make this week even better. Every child should have 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.

If your child's class achieves 100% weekly attendance 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.

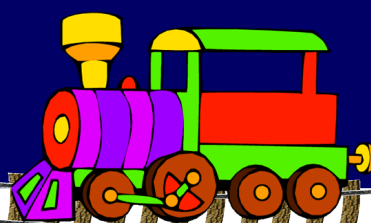


Designated Safeguarding Leads - Mrs K Ashton (Headteacher), Mr D Benson (Deputy Headteacher), Mrs R Knowles (Assistant Head Teacher, SENCO & Early Years Foundation Leader), Mrs R Betham Teacher, Miss A Walsh Learning Mentor Safeguarding Governor, Mrs A Spiers (Chair of Governors - aspiers@hendal.wakefield.sch.uk) 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)	97.0%
Penguin (6B)	93.3%
Orca (5A)	99.3%
Falcon (5B)	92.13%
Zebra (4A)	96.4%
Koala (4B)	98.0%
Elephant (3A)	98.7%
Giraffe (3B)	97.3%
Toucan (2A)	93.6%
Flamingo (2B)	96.8%
Tiger (1A)	99.3%
Panda (1B)	92.0%
Lions 1 (UF1)	95.7%
Lions 2 (UF2)	95.8%

## 100% Class Attendance Non Uniform

Unfortunately no classes achieved 100% for week commencing 2nd October 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

3B	Half Term reward for extra playtime on last day of half term.
3B	Termly reward of a golden hour on last day of term.
3B	Whole School yearly reward of a visit by the Ice Cream van.

### LATE ARRIVALS

14 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

Last Weeks Attendance as at  
6th October 2023  
**96.2%** (Target 96%)  
Year So Far  
**95.1%**

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)	Amelia	Toucan (2A)	Kendrick
Penguin (6B)	Theo	Flamingo (2B)	Ebony G
Zebra (5A)	Jessica	Tiger (1A)	Cora
Falcon (5B)	Ethan	Panda (1B)	Jack
Rhinoceros (4A)	Katalea	Lions (UF1)	James-Colin
Koala (4B)	George	Lions (UF2)	Kamsi
Orca (3A)	Serenity	Lion Cubs	Ivy
Giraffe (3B)	Harry	Lion Cubs	Riley