

# Newsletter

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## CHILDREN'S VOICE

"I enjoyed learning about fractions, I really love fractions".  
 Keagan - 5B



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

## SAFEGUARDING - PARKING

May I remind you to park safely and drive slowly and carefully near School, particularly around the area of Boyne Drive. Our Wakefield Highways will be visiting randomly.

## SAFEGUARDING - KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE OVER CHRISTMAS

Helpful information and safety settings for your child's devices and apps, along with guidance to tackle online issues they may face.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/>

## CHRISTMAS FAIR - THURSDAY 30TH NOVEMBER AT 3.00PM

You can collect your child from their Classroom door at 3.00 pm on Thursday to take them to the Christmas Fair. Entrance to the Fair is by the blue hall door on the KS1 playground. We are still accepting donations of toys, books, toiletries, chocolate, teddies and gifts. We thank you for your support.



## SANTA'S GROTTO

Father Christmas will be visiting us again, so children can come and tell him what they would like for Christmas. He will be in his Grotto outside Classroom 1B. The queue will be starting in 1B past the School Office.

## CAKE STALL

Don't forget to get baking for our very popular Cake stall, this always does very well.



## CHRISTMAS DINNER 15th December 2023

We are having our Christmas Dinner on Friday 15th December.

Please remember to go on [www.feedinghungryminds.co.uk](http://www.feedinghungryminds.co.uk) to book your child a meal.

Turkey Dinner with all the Trimmings,  
 Mozzarella & Tomato Puff,  
 Christmas Pudding,  
 Chocolate Muffin or Ice Cream

## CINEMA NIGHT

- We raised a fantastic £776.00 for our Cinema Night. This was a great success! Thank you for your support. We will be purchasing some reading books for each class, which have been recommended by the children.



## Global Warning

Thank you to Amelia, Lainey-Rae and Sara for delivering an informative assembly about Global Warning. This was a thought provoking assembly that helped raise awareness of how we can all reduce our impact on the planet by not dropping litter, turning off electrics when not needed and buying and using less plastics.



## ECO COUNCIL APPLICATION

Your child can apply for the role of Eco Councillor, application forms have been sent home today or can be collected from the Class Teachers. This is an exciting role that can have a huge impact on our School, Local Community and the Planet.



## Trauma Informed Practice Training

On Monday all staff completed training on Trauma Informed Practice. Trauma Informed Practice is an approach to health and care interventions which is grounded in the understanding that trauma exposure can impact an individual's neurological, biological, psychological and social development. This will help to develop our use of language in School.

## SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

- Congratulations to the Year 5/6 Indoor Athletics Team who took part in a range of track and field events at Kettlethorpe High School. We are very proud of all the children who took part. Hendal Primary School finished first overall and received a trophy that is proudly displayed in our trophy cabinet in the School entrance.

Our Christmas concerts are taking place in December. A letter will be sent out next week with a return slip for your tickets, please return this to your child's class teacher as soon as possible. Due to Health & Safety we can only allocate 2 tickets per child.

9.30 am Tuesday 12th December  
 1.30 pm Tuesday 12th December  
 9.30 pm Thursday 14th December  
 1.30 pm Thursday 14th December  
 10.00 am Tuesday 19th December  
 2.00 pm Tuesday 19th December

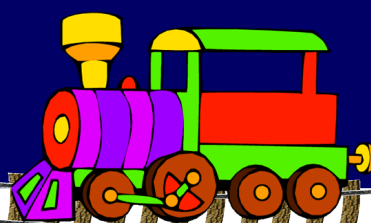
Years 1, 2 and 3  
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 Years 4, 5 and 6  
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 Foundation Stage Concert (Reception and Nursery)  
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Designated Safeguarding Leads - Mrs K Ashton (Headteacher), 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 - [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



Hendal Primary School  
Belong, Aspire, Achieve.



Class	Weekly Attendance
Llama (6A)	92%
Penguin (6B)	95.3%
Orca (5A)	92.4%
Falcon (5B)	91.5%
Zebra (4A)	92.5%
Koala (4B)	91.3%
Elephant (3A)	97.9%
Giraffe (3B)	96%
Toucan (2A)	100%
Flamingo (2B)	94.7%
Tiger (1A)	96.9%
Panda (1B)	94.6%
Lions 1 (UF1)	89.6%
Lions 2 (UF2)	87.2%

## 100% Class Attendance Non Uniform

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Miss Chapman's Class 2A for achieving 100% attendance last week. Children can come in non uniform on Friday 1st December 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

2B	Half Term reward for extra playtime on last day of half term.
4B	Termly reward of a golden hour on last day of term.
4B	Whole School yearly reward of a visit by the Ice Cream van.

### LATE ARRIVALS

**27** 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  
24th November 2023

**93.8%** (Target 96%)

Year So Far

**94.24%**

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)	Hannah	Toucan (2A)	Lewis
Penguin (6B)	Dylan	Flamingo (2B)	Aliyah
Zebra (5A)	Max K	Tiger (1A)	Sarah
Falcon (5B)	Keagan	Panda (1B)	Ella
Rhinoceros (4A)	McKenzie	Lions (UF1)	Adela
Koala (4B)	Jack	Lions (UF2)	Charles
Orca (3A)	Esme	Lion Cubs	Matvei
Giraffe (3B)	Emilia	Lion Cubs	Delia