

Wednesday 13th November 2024

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Newsletter

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CHILDREN'S VOICE

*"We've been learning about Ernest Shackleton, he was a Polar Explorer".
Rowan – 3B*



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thurs 14th Nov	Years 1, 2 & 3 Cinema Night
Thurs 21st Nov	Sleep Workshop
Mon 25th Nov	Inset Day School Closed
Wed 27th-Fri 29th Nov	Year 6 Robinwood Residential
Thurs 5th Dec	Christmas Fair
Tues 10th Dec	Years 1, 2 & 3 Christmas Concert
Thurs 12th Dec	Years 4, 5 & 6 Christmas Concert
Fri 13th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day and EYFS Christmas Songs
Tues 17th Dec	Years 3 & 4 Christmas Party
Wed 18th Dec	Years 1 & 2 Christmas Party
Thurs 19th Dec	EYFS Party 10am & 2pm
Friday 20th Dec	Years 5 & 6 Party
Friday 20th Dec	END OF TERM School Closes Friday 20th and Reopens on Mon 6th Jan 2025

SAFEGUARDING - LOCKDOWN PROCEDURES

Next week we will be practicing our lockdown procedures. At the beginning of the week we will sound our invacuation alarm during morning playtime. Children will have been instructed on the procedures they must follow, which is to return to class as calmly and as quickly as possible. Later in the week we will practice our lockdown procedures, where we will practice what to do in the event of an intruder entering the School premises. Children will be given lots of reassurance throughout the week.

REMEMBRANCE ASSEMBLY - On Monday the whole school observed a 2 minutes silence to pay our respects to people who lost their life fighting for a peaceful world.



SLEEP WORKSHOP - PLEASE COME AND JOIN US

On Thursday 21st November The Early Help Hub will be running a sleep workshop, for any parent to attend who's child has difficulty sleeping, or falling to sleep. Please drop in to the Nurture Room at 9.00am for help and support for your child/children and family.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE - HAMPER ITEMS NEEDED

We are creating colour coded hampers which we are selling raffle tickets for. Your child's class will be allocated a colour as follows:

PINK - Nursery & Reception, **PURPLE** - Years 1 & 2, **GREEN** - Years 3 & 4, **RED** - Years 5 & 6.

Items don't have to be large or expensive, some ideas for you are biscuits, chocolates, crackers, a bottle, candles, a beauty item or unwanted gifts.

NON-UNIFORM DAY CHILDREN IN NEED - FRIDAY 15TH NOVEMBER

On Friday 15th November we will be having a Non-Uniform Day to celebrate Children In Need. We will not be asking for donations as we are having a non uniform in December for Wakefield Hospice.



Year 2 African Drumming Workshop

Year 2 had an inspirational African musical experience yesterday with the Unbeatable Energy Company. The children enjoyed learning to play the djembe drums and they performed for their parents at the end of the day.

Small Steps Uniform Bank

Small Steps is a local charity providing School uniforms to help families across the Wakefield District. As we know things can be financially difficult at this time of year, please can we share the following link to Small Steps Uniform Bank.
smallstepsuniformbank.co.uk

50/50 Ticket

DON'T FORGET TO BUY YOUR TICKETS

£1 to win 50% of total monies

CHRISTMAS FAIR - THURSDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2024

It's that time of year again - could you please have a good sort out and send in any toys, books, toiletries, chocolate, teddies and gifts for our **Tombola**, **Teddy Tombola**, **Toy Stall** and **Chocolate Surprise**. We are also having our craft/gift stall, any donations that we can use to make unusual gifts, please send into school. As usual we will be having our fantastic Cake Stall, don't forget to get your ingredients in ready to bake for the fair.



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we donate
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ASDA CASHPOT INITIATIVE FOR SCHOOLS - Next time you visit Asda and scan your Reward App, please follow the instructions to sign up to be linked to Hendal Primary School and the School will benefit. Every time you shop with Asda Rewards from 2nd September to 30th November, Asda will donate 0.5% of your total spend to our Primary School. Plus, Asda will put £1 into our School's Cashpot every time someone opts in. <https://www.asda.com/cashpotforschools>. We have £951.00 already with 17 days left.



INSET DAY - Monday 25th November 2024 is an Inset Day for all children. School will not be open on Monday 25th November 2024.

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) If you have any concerns regarding the welfare of children you can contact Social Care Direct on 0345 850 3503

Attainment is Linked to Attendance

Belong
Aspire
Achieve

Class	Weekly Attendance	<u>100% Class Attendance Non Uniform</u>	
Llama (6A)	94.6%	CONGRATULATIONS to Miss Young's Class 6B. Children can come in non uniform on Thursday 14th November 2024.	
Penguin (6B)	100%		
Zebra (5A)	96.5%	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
Otters (5B)	99.3%		6B Half Term reward for extra playtime on last day of half term.
Rhinoceros (4A)	92.4%	LATE ARRIVALS 13 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.	3B Termly reward of a golden hour on last day of term.
Koala (4B)	92.7%		3B Whole School yearly reward of a visit by the Ice Cream van.
Orca (3A)	99.1%	EVERY DAY COUNTS!	ATTENDANCE INDICATORS
Giraffe (3B)	96.3%		
Toucan (2A)	94.3%	Attendance as at 8th November 2024 94% (Target 100%) Year So Far 95%	Below 90% Unacceptable persistent absence - serious cause for concern.
Flamingo (2B)	97.9%		90-94.99% Cause for concern - less chance of progression
Tiger (1A)	86.8%	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.	95-97.99% Satisfactory - room for improvement
Panda (1B)	93.0%		98-99.99% Good
Lions 1 (UF1)	91.2%		100% Excellent
Lions 2 (UF2)	83.8%		

Achiever of the Week

FlorenceClass	Star of the Week	Class	Star of the Week
Llama (6A)	Jessica	Toucan (2A)	Jack
Penguin (6B)	Ethan R	Flamingo (2B)	Mia-Rose
Zebra (5A)	Lilah	Tiger (1A)	Louie
Otters (5B)	Mason	Panda (1B)	Nola-Rae
Rhinoceros (4A)	Damon	Lions (UF1)	Alex
Koala (4B)	Esme	Lions (UF2)	Summer
Orca (3A)	Ruby	Lion Cubs	Eliza
Giraffe (3B)	Nyla	Lion Cubs	Eve