

Wednesday 29th January 2025

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Newsletter

Hendal Primary School
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CHILDREN'S VOICE

"We've been learning about China, our grown ups came in to make lanterns".

David - 1A



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wed 5th Feb	Year 2 The Hepworth Gallery, Wakefield
Fri 7th Feb	Year 5 Armley Mills
Mon 10th Feb	Safer Internet Week
Tues 11th Feb	Year 6 Parents Evening
Thurs 13th Feb	Year 6 Parents Evening
Thurs 13th Feb	Young Voices Sheffield Arena
Fri 14th Feb	END OF TERM Last Day of Term
Mon 24th Feb	School Reopens
Tues 25th Feb	Year 6 Ancient Greeks VR Workshop Year 4 Artic VR Workshop
Fri 7th Mar	Year 4 Hindu Temple
Mon 10th Mar	Science Week
Tues 18th Mar	Rec - Year 4 & Class 5B Parents Evening
Thurs 20th Mar	Rec - Year 4 & Class 5B Parents Evening
Fri 4th Apr	END OF TERM Last Day of Term
Mon 22 Apr	School Reopens

YEAR 6 - SATS WEEK MONDAY 12TH - 16TH MAY 2025

As you know term time holidays are not authorised. Please do not book any holidays or appointments during SAT's week Monday 12th - 16th May 2025.

Attendance Celebration - This week we have noticed a significant improvement in attendance. This is something we want to celebrate and continue. Nine of our classes are on track to reach our 96% target. It only takes 10 children to be absent throughout School for us to be unable to meet this weekly target of 96%.

NEW GOVERNORS

We have a vacancy on our Governing Body. If you would like to apply please fill in a declaration of interest form from the School Office. We are looking for people from local businesses or with a background in Education, or a parent who can support the School and bring their own skills and knowledge to the role.



CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK - Children's Mental Health Week will take place from 3rd-9th February 2025. This year's theme is "Know Yourself, Grow Yourself", with the aim to encourage children and young people across the UK to embrace self-awareness and explore what it means to them. We want children and young people to discover how getting to know who they are, can help them build resilience, grow and develop. There will be an assembly in School and learning resources will be shared.



Year 4 Parents Meetings - Tuesday 4th February 2025

On Tuesday 4th February there will be parents meeting after School, for all parents to attend. Information will be shared about the Multiplication Tables Check that will take place in May/June. After this information, parents who's children are attending the Cober Hill Residential can stay to listen to information about the residential. The meeting will start at 3.30pm and repeated at 5.00pm.

YEAR 1 Chinese New Year Celebration Day

Today parents and carers joined us for a craft morning, where we made various Chinese crafts, to celebrate the start of the Chinese New Year. This afternoon the children also tried different Chinese food.



Kids Disabled children say we can

We can grow

Kids WASP Neurodiversity Workshop

A bespoke parent carer workshop looking at autism, ADHD, PDA & understanding behaviour that challenges

Can you join us?

I can

Questions? Contact (01924) 683890

Class 5A Parents/Carers Progress Meetings

On Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th February, Mrs Tse will be available for Parents/Carers Progress Meetings. Please book an appointment through ParentMail from Friday 31 January 2025.

EYFS - Space Expedition - Parents/Carers are invited to a Space Expedition on Monday 10th February. Please see your class teacher for times.



Coffee Morning Thursday 6th February 2025 - Please join us for a coffee morning in our Nurture Room on Thursday 6th February at 9.00 am until 10.30 am. You will be able to talk to a member of the Wakefield Early Help Hub, about any concerns or worries you may have for your child or family. This is a fantastic opportunity for you to see what support is available.



PUNCTUALITY

Did you know if your child arrives late:-

- they will miss instructions for the first lesson.
- it can cause disruption to the whole class.
- they can feel embarrassed and upset walking into class late.



IF A CHILD ARRIVES 15 MINUTES LATE AT SCHOOL EACH DAY, THEY LOSE ALMOST 2 WEEKS OF LEARNING A YEAR.

The School's Education Welfare Officer inspects our registers every month and persistent lateness could result in a penalty notice issued by the Education Welfare Service.

FEBRUARY PRIMARY RUGBY LEAGUE CAMPS!

MON 17TH - THUR 20TH FEB 10AM - 2PM

STANLEY RODILLIANS RUFC W3 REF

£15 PER DAY £50 FOR WEEK

OPEN TO 6-11 YEAR OLDS BOYS & GIRLS

SIGN UP THROUGH THE QR CODE!

FOR MORE INFORMATION, EMAIL: ALEX.BELTON@WAKEFIELDTRINITY.COM

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 Bentham 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
Llama (6A)	85.4%
Penguin (6B)	89.6%
Zebra (5A)	92.7%
Otters (5B)	96.3%
Rhinoceros (4A)	88.7%
Koala (4B)	93.0%
Orca (3A)	87.6%
Giraffe (3B)	92.6%
Toucan (2A)	93.7%
Flamingo (2B)	90.0%
Tiger (1A)	98.0%
Panda (1B)	98.0%
Lions 1 (UF1)	91.5%
Lions 2 (UF2)	85.9%

100% Class Attendance Non Uniform

Unfortunately no classes achieved 100% for week commencing 20th January 2025.

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.

LATE ARRIVALS

10 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.

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.

ATTENDANCE CLASS LEADERS

1B	Half Term reward for extra playtime on last day of half term.
1B	Termly reward of a golden hour on last day of term.
3B	Whole School yearly reward of a visit by the Ice Cream van.

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
24th January 2025
92% (Target 96%)
Year So Far
94%

Achiever of the Week

Class	Star of the Week	Class	Star of the Week
Llama (6A)	Ruby	Toucan (2A)	Charles
Penguin (6B)	Emilis	Flamingo (2B)	Lena
Zebra (5A)	Sara	Tiger (1A)	Daniel
Otters (5B)	Laityn	Panda (1B)	Layla
Rhinoceros (4A)	Sylvie	Lions (UF1)	Stefan
Koala (4B)	Dionn	Lions (UF2)	Ivy
Orca (3A)	Iby	Lion Cubs	Louis
Giraffe (3B)	Harley	Lion Cubs	Billie