

Wednesday 5th February 2025

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Newsletter

Hendal Primary School
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CHILDREN'S VOICE

"In Science we've been learning about amphibians".
Adela - 1B



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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
Thurs 6th Mar	World Book Day
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

HALF TERM

School closes on Friday 14th February 2025 and opens on Monday 24th February 2025

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.

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.



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 - This week is Children's Mental Health Week. 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. The children have had two assemblies this week to support their understanding of Mental Health and how they can look after themselves.



INTERNET SAFETY DAY - TUESDAY 11TH FEBRUARY 2025

This year's theme is "Too Good To Be True?, Protecting Yourself and Others From Scams Online". For 2025, the UK Safer Internet Centre is looking to see 'thousands of organisations get involved to promote the safe, responsible and positive use of digital technology for children and young people'. We will deliver an assembly to teach and remind children how to stay safe online and pupil voice tells us that children are confident to speak to a grown up if they feel worried or scared about something they have seen online.



<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2025/parents-and-carers>

EYFS - Space Expedition

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



Class 5A Parents/Carers Progress Meetings - On Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th February, Mrs Tse will be available for Parents/Carers Progress Meetings. To book an appointment go onto ParentMail.

Friends of Hendal - We are looking for Parents/Carers to volunteer to be part of our fundraising team for Hendal Primary School. If you are interested please contact the School Office.



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

Can you join us?

Crofton Youth Centre 22nd Jan 9.30am-1pm
Oakhill Family Hub 29th Jan 9.30am-1pm
Castle Family Hub 5th Feb 9.30am-1pm
Butterflies Family Hub 12th Feb 9.30am-1pm

Cadars Family Hub 26th Feb 9.30am-1pm
Pomfret Family Hub 5th Mar 9.30am-1pm
Havercroft Family Hub 12th Mar 9.30am-1pm

The Active Centre 12th Mar 9.30am-1pm

Questions? Contact 01924 883890

FEBRUARY PRIMARY RUGBY LEAGUE CAMPS!
MON 17TH - THUR 20TH FEB 10AM - 2PM
STANLEY RODDILLANS RUFC WFT REF
SIGN UP THROUGH THE QR CODE!
FOR MORE INFORMATION, EMAIL: ALEX.BELLY@HENDALPRIMARY.SCH.UK

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.

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 - 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

Attainment is Linked to Attendance

**Belong
Aspire
Achieve**

Class	Weekly Attendance
Llama (6A)	93.9%
Penguin (6B)	93.3%
Zebra (5A)	95.7%
Otters (5B)	91.7%
Rhinoceros (4A)	95.2%
Koala (4B)	97.7%
Orca (3A)	93.8%
Giraffe (3B)	92.6%
Toucan (2A)	94.3%
Flamingo (2B)	92.1%
Tiger (1A)	96.5%
Panda (1B)	96.5%
Lions 1 (UF1)	97.4%
Lions 2 (UF2)	89.3%

100% Class Attendance Non Uniform

Unfortunately no classes achieved 100% for week commencing 27th 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

25 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
31st January 2025
94% (Target 96%)
Year So Far
94%

Achiever of the Week

Class	Star of the Week	Class	Star of the Week
Llama (6A)	Emad	Toucan (2A)	Seth W
Penguin (6B)	Christian	Flamingo (2B)	Flourish
Zebra (5A)	Amber-Rose	Tiger (1A)	Martha
Otters (5B)	Maryam	Panda (1B)	Mustafa
Rhinoceros (4A)	Mowa	Lions (UF1)	Jeanelle
Koala (4B)	Joshua	Lions (UF2)	Gray
Orca (3A)	Jackson	Lion Cubs	Neve
Giraffe (3B)	Luna	Lion Cubs	Elena