

Wednesday 2nd April 2025

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Newsletter

Hendal Primary School
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CHILDREN'S VOICE

"We've been learning about renewable and non renewable energy and which is best for our planet". Evelyn - 5A



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Fri 4th Apr	END OF TERM Last Day of Term
Tues 22 Apr	School Reopens
Mon 28 Apr	Class Photos
Wed 30 Apr - Fri 2 May	Year 4 Residential
Mon 5th May	BANK HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
Thurs 8th May	Election Day - Nursery Closed
Mon 12th May - Fri 16th	Y6 SAT's Week
Thurs 15th May	Foundation Garden Party
Half Term	
Fri 23rd May	School Closes 3.15 pm
Mon 2nd Jun	School Closed - Inset Day
Tues 3rd Jun	School Re-opens

A Small Local Charity
Making a **Big** Difference

We provide free school uniforms to families in need, ensuring every child has the essentials to succeed.

How We Help:

- Supplying all items of school uniform free of charge
- Supporting families through referrals from schools and social workers
- Working with local businesses to increase our reach and support more families

Need Assistance? Know Someone Who Does?

Visit our website to learn more and access our referral form.
/SmallStepsUniformBank
www.smallstepsuniformbank.co.uk

Together, we can make a difference!

DINNER MONEY INCREASE

As of 22nd April 2025, our School Dinner Provider is increasing School Dinners to £2.60 per day, which will be £13.00 per week. This is still excellent value for money.

All-Pro Sports & Wellbeing Easter Camp Held At Hendal Primary School

Join All-Pro Sports and Wellbeing for an action packed Easter Camp here at Hendal Primary. FREE for children who qualify for pupil premium (benefit related FSM) limited to 30 places per day and 20 paid places for non qualifying children at £15 per day or ALL 4 days for ONLY £50. ALL children will receive a free healthy packed lunch and a drink on each day! Register your place now limited places. Please note this is not just for children who attend Hendal Primary, so bring your friends and family along from all schools. Link for FREE Pupil Premium Places is <https://allprosports.coordinate.cloud/list> and the link for paid places is <https://forms.office.com/r/kQPZXZfScK> For further information please contact: Allpro_sports_wellbeing@outlook.com



EASTER HOLIDAYS

School will close on Friday 4th April 2025 and will reopen on Tuesday 22nd April 2025.



RED TEAM - EASTER EGG HUNT

Congratulations to all the children in the Red Team, who have won the termly team points reward. They will be doing an Easter Egg hunt around School this week.



There are currently 72 children who have achieved **100% attendance** from September 2024 to 28th March 2025. We would like to congratulate them and thank their parents for this magnificent achievement. **WELL DONE!**

ATTENDANCE REWARDS A BIG well done to Class 1B who have won the best class attendance reward for Spring term and Class 3A have won the half term reward. Their rewards will be an extra 15 minutes play time and a golden hour treat before we break up for Easter.

ATTENDANCE CLASS LEADERS

3A	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.

YEAR 1 VISIT TO CANNON HALL FARM - Year 1 had a wonderful day visiting Cannon Hall Farm on Thursday 27th March. The children observed the animals and found out all about the history of farms. The sun was shining and the children were exceptionally well behaved.



YEAR 3 CHOCOLATE WORKSHOP - On Monday Year 3 took part in a chocolate workshop as part of their learning 'Where does our food come from'. The children found out how chocolate was made and followed the process of 'bean to bar' and they even made their own chocolate lolly.

EASTER BONNET PARADE - EYFS

Our Nursery and reception children will be taking part in a Easter Bonnet Parade, on Thursday throughout School. We look forward to seeing all of their wonderful creations.

FREE EASTER TRAIL - EASTER MONDAY 21ST APRIL 2025 (Friends of Betty Eastwood Park) - 1pm to 3pm in the Park

Are you aged 10 or under? Then go along and join in for a Free Easter Trail. Please bring an adult with you - refreshments may be available.



EASTER ASSEMBLIES

Our Easter Assemblies which will take place on the following:

Years 1, 2 & 3 at 1.30pm on Friday 4th April 2025
Years 4, 5 & 6 at 2.15pm on Friday 4th April 2025

DON'T FORGET YOUR TICKETS!

SUMMER UNIFORM

As the weather begins to warm up, summer uniform can be worn after the holidays. Blue and white gingham dresses or grey shorts can be worn with white, grey or black socks with black shoes. No trainers to be worn. We are very proud of our School uniform and our children always look very smart.

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

Wakefield Attendance Strategy 2023-2026

In Wakefield, we strive for the best educational outcomes for our children and young people, regardless of background, and ensure by working together that they are Happy, Healthy and Safe.



Our Vision

Every child has a right to an education, and for the vast majority this education should take place within our schools. We and our partners are fully committed to this. Together, we will initiate and forge a cultural shift within our families, schools, communities and services to ensure that everyone takes responsibility for the attendance of Wakefield's children. We will jointly aim for 100%. No excuses

Attendance Matters

Regular attendance enables children and young people to access the best possible start in life, one which sets them up for a lifetime of learning.

Working Together to Improve Attendance

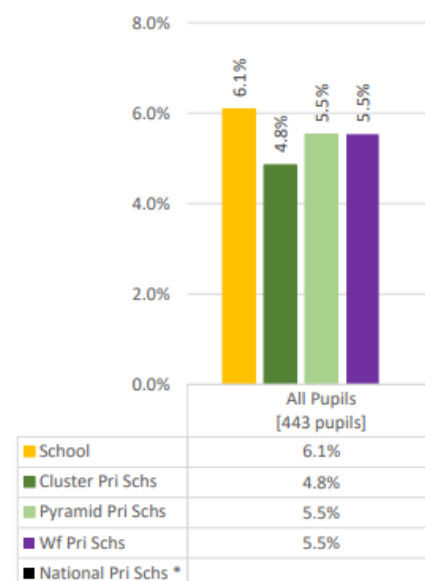
Together, we can change attendance culture, and improve the lives of our children and young people, creating a better world for the future.

Class	Weekly Attendance
Llama (6A)	92%
Penguin (6B)	97.1%
Zebra (5A)	91%
Otters (5B)	93.7%
Rhinoceros (4A)	97%
Koala (4B)	96.3%
Orca (3A)	94.6%
Giraffe (3B)	100%
Toucan (2A)	94%
Flamingo (2B)	95.4%
Tiger (1A)	96.7%
Panda (1B)	99%
Lions 1 (UF1)	94.6%
Lions 2 (UF2)	82.8%

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 breakfast club to make sure they are at school ready to start their lessons on time everyday.

EVERY DAY COUNTS At Hendal Primary School



Target
96%

This week
95.5%

Year so far
94.3%

We currently have the highest absence rate of all of the local schools and higher than the Wakefield average. Please help us to improve our attendance by bringing your child to school every day.

100% Class Attendance Challenge - Non Uniform Reward
CONGRATULATIONS to Mrs Ashton and Mrs Bentham's Class 3B. Children can come in non uniform on Thursday 3rd April 2025.

Attainment is linked to Attendance - 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.

Achiever of the Week

Class	Achiever	Class	Achiever
Llama (6A)	Joshua	Toucan (2A)	Eva
Penguin (6B)	Matthew	Flamingo (2B)	Oliver
Zebra (5A)	Evelyn	Tiger (1A)	Whole Class
Otters (5B)	Jakob-James	Panda (1B)	Alfie
Rhinoceros (4A)	Minnie	Lions (UF1)	Ribbon
Koala (4B)	Serenity	Lions (UF2)	Areeba
Orca (3A)	Koby	Lion Cubs	Jayden
Giraffe (3B)	Titobi	Lion Cubs	Joey