

Wednesday 14th May 2025

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Newsletter

Hendal Primary School
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CHILDREN'S VOICE

"We've been learning about how to save our earth".

Amira - UF1



SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

We break up for the Spring Bank Holidays on Friday 23rd May 2025, Monday 2nd June 2025 is an Inset Day.
School Opens again on Tuesday 3rd June 2025.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 12-16th May	Y6 SAT's Week
Mon 19th-23rd May	Y6 Bikeability
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
Wed 18th Jun	Upper Foundation Starter Meetings 5pm
Thurs 19th Jun	Upper Foundation Starter Meeting 5pm
Mon 23rd Jun	Sports Week
Wed 25th Jun	KS2 (Sports Day Years 3, 4, 5 & 6) at 9.30am
Thurs 26th Jun	KS1 & Upper Foundation Sports Day (Years 1 & 2) at 9.30am
Wed 2nd Jul	School Summer Fair
Thurs 3rd Jul	Y6 Transition Day to KHS
Tues 8th Jul	Open to View for Parents 3.15pm
Thurs 10th Jul	Governor Review Day
Thurs 17th Jul	Y6 Leavers Show
Fri 18th Jul	Y6 Leavers Assembly 2pm
Mon 21st Jul	Last Day of Term School Closes

YEAR 6 SATs WEEK - Monday 12th - Thursday 15th May 2024

Our children are half way through their SATs and we would like to say a big well done and wish them well for the rest of the week. Remember your free place at Breakfast Club this week. To support our children emotionally at what can be a more difficult time, our Nurture Room will be open over lunchtime each day to Friday 16th May. Children can drop in and take part in mindful activities or simply talk to staff about any worries or concerns.

FOUNDATION STAGE GARDEN PARTY Thursday 15th May 2025

Foundation Stage parents are invited to our Garden Party.

10.00 am - Lower Foundation mornings with Upper Foundation 1 (Mrs Marshall)

1.45 pm - Lower Foundation afternoons with Upper Foundation 2 (Mrs O'Neill) and 30 hours children.

There will be a Raffle, Tombola, Crafts and Games. Donations for the Tombola would be welcome. Tickets are £2.50 per adult which includes a hot drink and a scone.

Don't forget to buy your ticket

Summer Term Attendance Challenge - There are only 57 days in the summer term. This year our attendance challenge is to attend every day from Tuesday 22nd April until Monday 21st July. All children who achieve this will be entered into a key stage draw to win a family cinema ticket for you and your family to enjoy over the holidays. Our current attendance is 95%, our School target is 96%. As a School we are judged on our attendance levels and held to account. Please help us to continue to improve our attendance. Thank you for your support.

Census Themed Dinner - Thursday 15th May 2025

We are holding a whole school themed dinner day, on Thursday 15th May 2025. Please log on and choose:

Classic Beef Burger with Wedges, Quorn Burger with Wedges, filled Jacket Potatoes, Sandwiches, Tomato Pasta & Ginger Biscuits

Year 4 Wimbledon Tickets - We have been lucky enough to receive seven Wimbledon Tennis Tickets to allocate to children in Year 4. On Monday 30th June the children will travel down to Wimbledon with Mr Swift and Mrs Galley, to watch some tennis matches as part of the Wimbledon Tennis Championships. This is an amazing opportunity for children to experience this. If you would like your child to be entered into the draw, we are asking them to design their own Wimbledon ticket. Tickets need to be in by Friday 23rd May 2025. Please make sure all entries have their full name on. Thank you

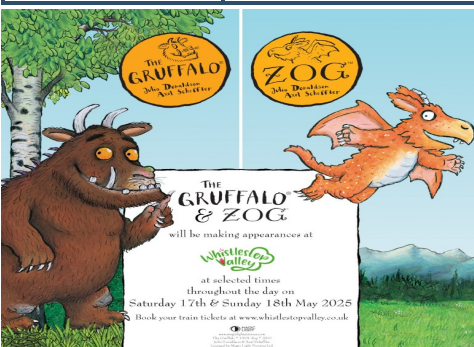
Summer Fair - Wednesday 2nd July 2025

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT ONCE AGAIN!

We are very excited to announce that we are going to be holding our Summer Fair on Wednesday 2nd July at 3.00 pm.

We desperately need donations of unwanted gifts, teddies, bottles of wine, chocolate and new or nearly new items for our tombola stall. Please have a sort out and send into School anything you can.

Loss & Bereavement Workshop Tuesday 12th June - We are pleased to be able to offer a workshop on how to support your child through Bereavement, Loss & Separation. The workshop will be delivered by CAMHS and will take place in School at 9am on the 12th June 2025. This will be an informal and well supported opportunity.



IT'S A BOY

Congratulations to Alice and Louis on the birth of their new baby brother Harry who was born on 4th May 2025, weighing 6lb 6oz.



Summer Fair Mega Raffle - If you know of anyone who works for a local business who would like to kindly donate a prize, no matter how small, to our Mega Raffle, please contact the School Office. All donations of prizes will be greatly appreciated and help raise funds for School.

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)	90.7%
Penguin (6B)	95.4%
Zebra (5A)	89.2%
Otters (5B)	90.8%
Rhinoceros (4A)	95.7%
Koala (4B)	92.7%
Orca (3A)	94.3%
Giraffe (3B)	95.7%
Toucan (2A)	94.2%
Flamingo (2B)	95.5%
Tiger (1A)	95.8%
Panda (1B)	96.1%
Lions 1 (UF1)	92.4%
Lions 2 (UF2)	86.6%

Late Arrivals

15 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

Attendance Ladder



100% Class Attendance Challenge - Non Uniform Reward
Unfortunately no classes achieved 100% for week commencing Monday 5th May 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)	Riley	Toucan (2A)	Jenson
Penguin (6B)	Denan	Flamingo (2B)	Harley-Mae
Zebra (5A)	Ben	Tiger (1A)	Luca
Otters (5B)	Ezmae	Panda (1B)	Lamin
Rhinoceros (4A)	Kian	Lions (UF1)	Summer
Koala (4B)	Arrabella	Lions (UF2)	Zoe
Orca (3A)	Hevi	Lion Cubs	Jackson
Giraffe (3B)	Florence	Lion Cubs	Eliza