

Wednesday 2nd July 2025

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Hendal Primary School
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Newsletter

CHILDREN'S VOICE

*"We went to the woodland as part of our Geography Learning".
Aubree – 3A*



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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
Tues 15th Jul Class 4A & Wed 16th Jul Class 4B	Year 4 Craft Sessions
Thurs 17th Jul	Y6 Leavers Show
Fri 18th Jul	Y6 Leavers Assembly 2pm
Mon 21st Jul	Last Day of Term School Closes

Local Food Banks

We would like to share the following Food Bank information with you. As we approach the Summer holidays this may be of use to you.

Food Banks



Airedale Food Bank
Stansfield Road, Airedale, Castleford, WF10 3BY
Tel: 07920878782



Calder Grove Food Bank
Calder Grove Cricket Club, Denby Dale Road, WF4 3DP
Tel: 07530304669
Email: cgccworkforce@gmail



St Catherine's Food Bank
St Catherine's Church, Doncaster Road, Belle Vue, Wakefield, WF1 5HL
Tel: 01924211130



Fusion Food Bank
Certa House, Lower Warrengate, Wakefield, WF1 1SA
Tel: 01924454770



NO SMOKING/VAPING

Polite reminder - no smoking or vaping on School Premises. We are a non smoking and vaping site. Thank you



Summer Fair - Today

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We are very excited our Summer Fair is this afternoon. Gates will open at 3.00pm and you will be able to collect your child before visiting the fair. We are planning on having lots of fun games and the majority of the stalls will be outside (weather permitting).

Summer Fair Mega Raffle - Remember to send your raffle tickets back with your child. We have some amazing prizes this year which include a signed Leeds United Football Shirt, Tickets to watch Sheffield Wednesday and Barnsley Football Clubs, Leeds Rhino Tickets, Whistlestop Valley, Family Photography Experience, Love to Shop £50 voucher, Blue Tooth Speaker, Amazon Vouchers, Carvery for 2 at The Dam Inn, plus many more.

Wimbledon Visit

7 of our Year 4 children had the amazing opportunity of going to the opening day of Wimbledon 2025 on Monday. The children had entered a competition in School to create their own special ticket which was drawn by Mrs Ashton. They've told us it was a wonderful experience which they will always remember. A big thank you to Mr Benson, Mr Swift and Mrs Galley who were lucky enough to share this experience.



Year 4 - Tuesday 15th July - Class 4A and Wednesday 16th July - Class 4B

You are invited to a craft session led by the Adult Education Service at 9.30am-11.30am. Please come and join us in School where you can spend time making crafts with your child.

Year 3 Music Assembly - Wednesday 16th July 2025

Parents/Carers are invited to join Year 3 on Wednesday 16th July at 2.30 pm for an assembly showcasing their musical talents.



Thank you for attending our annual Sports Days. Our children enjoyed the mornings taking part in lots of different races. Key Stage 1 Winners were Blue Team and Key Stage 2 Winners were Red Team.

THURSDAY 3RD JULY 2025 TRANSITION DAY

Your child will find out this week which class they are going into in September. Your child will meet their new teacher and will spend most of the day in their new class. We believe transition day is very important to settle any worries children may have about moving into a new year group. We will have two further transition afternoons on Monday 7th July and Monday 14th July 2025.

Year 5 - Wakefield Exchange

Our Year 5 children went to Wakefield Exchange last Friday, to see local artist Jason Wilshire-Mills exhibition. This artwork is inspired by his life growing up in Wakefield.

Open To View - Tuesday 8th July 2025

Next Tuesday 8th July 2025, you will have the opportunity to meet your child's new Teacher and visit their classroom. Please join us after School from 3.25pm - 4.30pm at their new classroom door.

Summer Holidays - Over the next couple of weeks we will be emailing out some flyers which may help support your child and family over the Summer Holidays.

Summer Term Attendance Challenge - There are only 13 days left 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 94.5%, 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.

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)	83.5%
Penguin (6B)	95.2%
Zebra (5A)	93.0%
Otters (5B)	97.0%
Rhinoceros (4A)	92.7%
Koala (4B)	88.7%
Orca (3A)	99.1%
Giraffe (3B)	93.2%
Toucan (2A)	97.0%
Flamingo (2B)	93.6%
Tiger (1A)	90.5%
Panda (1B)	97.9%
Lions 1 (UF1)	92.5%
Lions 2 (UF2)	96.4%

Late Arrivals

14 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



Target
96%

This week
93.5%

Year so far
94.5%

100% Class Attendance Challenge - Non Uniform Reward
Unfortunately no classes achieved 100% for week commencing Monday 16th June 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)	Aaron	Toucan (2A)	George S
Penguin (6B)	Lilly-Mae	Flamingo (2B)	Whole Class
Zebra (5A)	Abigail	Tiger (1A)	David
Otters (5B)	Whole Class	Panda (1B)	Willow
Rhinoceros (4A)	Ella	Lions (UF1)	Xander
Koala (4B)	Eleanor	Lions (UF2)	Florence
Orca (3A)	Matilda	Lion Cubs	Eva
Giraffe (3B)	Kendrick	Lion Cubs	Eve