

NEWSLETTER

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CHILDRENS VOICE

"We have been learning about the animals that have been sent to Space during our Space Race Topic".
Caleb - 5B



MAY DAY - On Monday 4th May School is closed.
School opens on Tuesday 5th May as usual.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wed 29th Apr - Fri 1st May	Year 4 Residential
w/c Mon 11th May	Year 6 SAT's Week
Tues 12th May	Governors Meeting
Thurs 14th May	Foundation Garden Party
Mon 18th May	Walk To School Week
Wed 20th May	Coffee Morning WISENDSS
Thurs 21st May	END OF TERM Last Day of Term
Fri 22nd May	INSET DAY
Mon 1st Jun	INSET DAY

NURSERY CLOSURE ELECTION DAY THURSDAY 7TH MAY 2026

School will remain open on Thursday 7th April, voting will take place in our Nursery Classroom accessed by the separate Nursery Entrance. All children are to attend School on this day except NURSERY Children.

Drop Off and Collection - Safeguarding

Please can we ask that you leave the playground promptly when you have dropped off your child on a morning and collected them in an afternoon. This is so that the gates can be locked quickly, to ensure that our PE lessons and After School Clubs can start on time. Thank you

Free Breakfast Club for Year 6 SATs Week 11th - 15th May 2026

Our Year 6 children are working extremely hard in preparation for their SATs and we are very proud of them. It is important that your child is in School on time during SATs week. We would like to invite all Year 6 children to Breakfast Club from 8.00 am that week, where breakfast will be available free of charge.

Foundation Stage Garden Party Thursday 14th May 2026

Foundation stage parents are invited to our Garden Party.

10.00 am Upper Foundation 1 and Morning Nursery (30 hours children)
1.45pm Upper Foundation 2 and Afternoon Nursery (30 hours children)

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

Don't forget to buy your ticket

Epilepsy Awareness Day

Following on from our Purple Day, where we raised awareness of Epilepsy, I would like to share with you the following link, should you wish to donate.

https://www.justgiving.com/page/callum-trout-1?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL

We would like to wish Louie & Riley's Dad, Good Luck with his half marathon on 10th May 2026.

Year 3 Visit to Leeds City Museum

On Tuesday Year 3 visited Leeds City Museum as part of their unit of work. The children loved exploring the Museum and getting hands on with Anglo Saxon artefacts.

WARM WEATHER

Due to the current warm weather, could you please make sure your child has suncream applied before School and make sure they bring a sun hat and water bottle. Thank you.



SUMMER FAIR WEDNESDAY 8TH JULY 2026

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT ONCE AGAIN!

We are very excited to announce that we are going to be holding our Summer Fair on Wednesday 8th July 2026.

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

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), 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)	93.3%
Leopard (6B)	93.3%
Zebra (5A)	93.3%
Otters (5B)	98.0%
Rhinoceros (4A)	97.3%
Koala (4B)	98.2%
Orca (3A)	91.0%
Giraffe (3B)	96.7%
Toucan (2A)	98.0%
Flamingo (2B)	97.1%
Tiger (1A)	95.5%
Panda (1B)	92.7%
Lions (UF1)	94.0%
Lions (UF2)	90.3%

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 breakfast club, to make sure they are at School, ready to start their lessons on time everyday?

EVERY DAY COUNTS At Hendl Primary School

Attendance Ladder



Target
96%

This week
94.3%

Year so far
94.5%

100% CLASS ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE - NON UNIFORM REWARD

Unfortunately no classes achieved 100% for week commencing 20th April 2026.

Attainment is linked to Attendance

At Hendl Primary School we are dedicated to ensuring that each child has 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)	Aqua-Jade	Toucan (2A)	Malachi
Leopard (6B)	Evelyn	Flamingo (2B)	Darcie
Zebra (5A)	Aiva-Louise	Tiger (1A)	Jason
Otters (5B)	George	Panda (1B)	Zayn
Rhinoceros (4A)	Olivia	Lions (UF1)	Jude
Koala (4B)	Titobi	Lions (UF2)	Albey
Orca (3A)	Joe	Lion Cubs	Amir
Giraffe (3B)	Jack	Lion Cubs	Matteo