

NEWSLETTER

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CHILDRENS VOICE

“We’ve been learning about different explorers in our History work”.
Eryn - 1B

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

w/c 15th Jun	Drowning Prevention Week
Fri 19th Jun	School Library Book Bus
Mon 22nd Jun	KS2 Sports Day Yrs 3, 4, 5 & 6 at 9.30 am
Thurs 25th Jun	KS1 & Upper Foundation Sports Day Yr 1 & 2 at 9.30 am
Sat 27th Jun	Big Toddle
Tues 30th Jun	SEND Coffee Morning
Thurs 2nd Jul	Y6 Transition Day to KHS
w/c 6th Jul	National Sports Week
Tues 7th Jul	Governor Review Day
Wed 8th Jul	School Summer Fair
Tues 14th Jul	Open To View for Parents 3.15pm
Wed 15th Jul	Y6 Leavers Show
Thurs 16th Jul	Y6 Leavers Assembly 2pm
Fri 17th Jul	Last Day of Term, School Closes for Summer

Year 3 Yorkshire Wildlife Park Visit

On Monday Year 3 visited the Yorkshire Wildlife Park linked to their learning in Geography. The children had a wonderful time and saw some amazing animals.



Let's Talk History

A huge congratulations to Amber and Krisha who took part in the “Let’s Talk History” competition. The girls received a special mention from the Judges and the girls spoke about ‘Why The Secret Ballot Was Important In The Past And Still Matters Today’. The girls delivered a well organised and confident presentation which the Judges said was clear and powerful.

DROWNING PREVENTION WEEK SAFEGUARDING - WATER SAFETY

Please talk to your children about the importance of safety near water. Key messages to share with your children. When around water always go with family, children should not to be tempted to enter the water as cold water can shock the body into closing down. Please remind your children to float like a star fish if they were to get into difficulty whilst in the water.



Our Sports Days this year are Monday 22nd KS2 and Thursday 25th June for Upper Foundation and KS1.

KS2 (Yrs 3-6) SPORTS MORNING - Monday 22nd June at 9.30 am
KS1/UFS (Reception - Year 2) SPORTS MORNING - Thursday 25th June at 9.30 am

Parents can go onto the School field at 9.15 am opposite the main School Entrance. Staff will walk over with the children. After the event children will go back into School with their Teacher. Can all parents wait on the field until all the children have left the field.

Children can wear their PE Kit and their team colour for their sports day. Ask your child's Class Teacher if you are unsure which colour team your child belongs to.

National Sports Week - 6th July - 10th July 2026

This year National Sports Week takes place from 6th July - 10th July 2026. During this week children can wear their PE Kits/Sports Clothes all week.

SUMMER ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE

There are 22 days of School left before the summer holidays in July. We challenge you to attend everyday, so that your child will be entered into our Free Key Stage Raffle to win a summer hamper to start your summer holidays in style. Our current School Attendance Target is 96%. Please help us to improve our attendance by sending your child to School everyday. Thank you for your support.

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

A big well done to Year 1 on their amazing efforts during the phonics screen checks. We are very proud of the progress that all the children have made, and the effort they have all put in, in preparation for this check.

Year 4 National Multiplication Checks

Year 4 have completed their multiplication table checks. The children have worked really hard and have done lots of practicing on their individual chrome books. The purpose of multitable checks (MTC) is to determine whether pupils can recall their timetables fluently, which is essential for future success in mathematics. Well done to our Year 4 children.

Year 6 Transition Days

Our Year 6 transition plans are well underway and our Year 6 children had a tour of Kettlethorpe High School last Friday afternoon. This week they will be visited by Kettlethorpe High School Staff, who will talk to them about what to expect for Year 7. We are also working with other High Schools to support transition.

Summer Fair Mega Raffle

Don't forget to send your raffle tickets back with your child. We have some fabulous amazing prizes this year which include a signed Leeds United Football Shirt, Fire HD8 Kid Pro Tablet, £50 Love To Shop Voucher, Eureka Family Tickets, Yorkshire Sculpture Park Family Pass, Distillery Tour, Air Fryer, Utopia Voucher and Amazon Vouchers, plus many more.

Hendal Transition Days

This year our transition days are:

Thursday 2nd July, Thursday 9th July and Monday 13th July 2026

During these days your child will spend some time in their new class, where they will meet the teaching staff who will be with them next year.

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 - 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

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)	96.7%
Leopard (6B)	93.3%
Zebra (5A)	84.0%
Otters (5B)	87.3%
Rhinoceros (4A)	93.0%
Koala (4B)	93.6%
Orca (3A)	96.9%
Giraffe (3B)	97.7%
Toucan (2A)	98.1%
Flamingo (2B)	90.5%
Tiger (1A)	95.5%
Panda (1B)	94.1%
Lions (UF1)	95.2%
Lions (UF2)	96.9%

Late Arrivals

17 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 93.1%

Year so far 94.4%

100% CLASS ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE - NON UNIFORM REWARD

Unfortunately no classes achieved 100% for week commencing 8th June 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)	Aisha	Toucan (2A)	Adela
Leopard (6B)	Isla A	Flamingo (2B)	Eva
Zebra (5A)	Mia-Lily	Tiger (1A)	Brody
Otters (5B)	Peter	Panda (1B)	Ava-Marie
Rhinoceros (4A)	Ben	Lions (UF1)	Usman
Koala (4B)	Whole Class	Lions (UF2)	Oonagh
Orca (3A)	Minsa	Lion Cubs	Somi
Giraffe (3B)	Neive	Lion Cubs	Frankie