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CHILDRENS VOICE

"We are looking forward to going to the seaside on our trip".
Martha - 2B

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thurs 2nd Jul	Y6 Transition Day to KHS
Fri 3rd Jul	Non Uniform Day - Chocolate Donation
Mon 6th Jul	National Sports Week - wear pe kit/sportswear
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 5pm
Thurs 16th Jul	Y6 Leavers Assembly 2pm
Fri 17th Jul	Last Day of Term, School Closes for Summer

Big Toddle Saturday 27th June 2026

Thank you to all our families who joined us for the Big Toddle on Saturday. We had a lovely morning. Thank you to our EYFS staff for organising such a wonderful event to raise money for Barnardo's.



Year 6 Transition Days

Our Year 6 transition day at Kettlethorpe High School is Thursday 2nd July 2026. We hope you all have a lovely day.

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.

Hendal Fest 2026

We had another wonderful musical performance today. Mr Redmill, our inspiring Music Teacher, who has organised five weekly musical performance events where children who are currently learning to play an instrument have an exciting chance to play in front of a live audience and their parents. Thank you for your attendance.

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.

International Chocolate Day - Non Uniform Friday 3rd July 2026

Linked to International Chocolate Day we are asking for a donation of chocolate for our Summer Fair chocolate stall. Children can come in non uniform on Friday 3rd July and bring their donation.



SUMMER FAIR - WEDNESDAY 8TH JULY 2026

We are very excited that our Summer Fair is only 1 week away on Wednesday 8th July. 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).



WE WILL STILL NEED YOUR SUPPORT Summer Fair Wednesday 8th July 2026

Don't forget to get baking for our really popular cake stall. These can be brought into School on the day of the fair, we also accept bought cakes and buns. This stall always does really well.



Summer Fair Mega Raffle

Don't forget to send your raffle tickets back with your child. We have some 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.

SUMMER ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE

There are 12 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.

Oracy - Voice 21

All staff have been busy learning about our Oracy framework. After accessing lots of training from Voice 21, our Oracy Champions Miss Chapman, Miss Riley and Mrs Marshall have been implementing lots of strategies in the classroom, to support children's Oracy Development. Miss Chapman has delivered training to all members of staff, so that we can deliver a consistent and aspirational Oracy Education. This will be ongoing over the next two years. Please ask your children about Oracy.



Attainment and Achievement 2026

EYFS GLD - 60% National - 68%

Phonics Year 1 - 85% National - 80%

Multiplication Checks Year 4 - 73% National 34%

We are so proud of our achievements this year. Well done to all children. Thank you to all staff for all their hard work and commitment to your children's learning and development.

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 Benthall (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)	87.3%
Leopard (6B)	79.3%
Zebra (5A)	78%
Otters (5B)	85%
Rhinoceros (4A)	92.6%
Koala (4B)	86.4%
Orca (3A)	85.7%
Giraffe (3B)	91%
Toucan (2A)	81.4%
Flamingo (2B)	88.6%
Tiger (1A)	85.9%
Panda (1B)	93.4%
Lions (UF1)	91.9%
Lions (UF2)	87.9%

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 Hendl Primary School

Attendance Ladder



Target 96%

This week 78.7%

Year so far 93.8%

100% CLASS ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE - NON UNIFORM REWARD

Unfortunately no classes achieved 100% for week commencing 22nd 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)	James	Toucan (2A)	Rudy
Leopard (6B)	Whole Class	Flamingo (2B)	Arya
Zebra (5A)	Ava	Tiger (1A)	Whole Class
Otters (5B)	Whole Class	Panda (1B)	Whole Class
Rhinoceros (4A)	Ife	Lions (UF1)	Emily A
Koala (4B)	Joshua	Lions (UF2)	Whole Class
Orca (3A)	Mia-Rose	Lion Cubs	Whole Class
Giraffe (3B)	Rozya & Adaline	Lion Cubs	Whole Class