



# Wykebeck News

## HEAD TEACHER UPDATE

Welcome back and a Happy New Year to all our pupils and families after a lovely Christmas break. We are excited to share with you in this newsletter some of the events which will be happening in the Spring Term.

Already the children have got off to a flying start with their learning. The quality of the books has improved significantly. We are having a string focus on presentation in books and this is really having an impact.

Our parent survey highlighted behaviour to be an area that you may have concerns over, as a result, we have reviewed our behaviour policy and introduced our house point system which is very popular with the children to reinforce positive behaviour and learning. If you wish to view our behaviour policy it is available on our website.

Thank you to parents who are ensuring that children attend school every day, we are having a strong focus on attendance this year and appreciate your support. We will be encouraging good attendance all week by having some 'Fun Friday' events, which began with our board games afternoon last week. Please keep your eyes and ears open for these. **Every school day counts.**

We are pleased to welcome two new teachers: Mr Devall in Year 2 and Mr Crowther in Year 6. We also have three new governors Miss Charlotte Davy, Mr Brian Brock and Mr Dwayne Saxton. Governors are keen to hear parents' views and will be conducting a paper based survey soon.

Mrs Sykes

## OUR LEARNING

### THE TEACHERS HAVE BEEN BUSY PLANNING...

Year 5 Pupils are looking forward to their London residential and parents will be invited to a meeting soon to find out more details. Reception have an incubator arriving to hatch baby chicks. These are all valuable and exciting learning experiences. Please follow us on Twitter to see more!

## SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2018-19

This year we have 4 priorities for school improvement to ensure that your children achieve their full potential.

1. To improve progress and attainment in all subjects for all children.
2. To provide the very best teaching and learning possible.
3. To develop all subjects and improve the quality of teaching in those subjects.
4. To continue to demonstrate our core values by improving attendance, learning behaviours and involvement with parents and the wider community.

We look forward to working in partnership with you to continue to improve Wykebeck Primary School.

*'Leaders ensure that pupils have access to a broad and balanced curriculum. A range of extra-curricular activities, including trips and visits, supplement this. This ensures that pupils have wider experiences beyond their own locality. For example, the 'empty classroom' day provides pupils with opportunities to increase their enjoyment of the outdoors and develop their problem-solving and teamwork skills' Ofsted 2018.*

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